

Presentation Title	Place in Schedule
Oregon's Total Worker Health® Alliance	Concurrent Session 6.3 <i>Day 3 – Thursday</i> <i>May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018</i> <i>4:05 – 5:30pm</i>
Description of Presentation	Presenter Name(s) And Credentials
<p>The interdisciplinary nature of Total Worker Health presents both opportunities and challenges in its understanding, acceptance and adoption. Within the longstanding commitment to occupational safety and health, most states rely heavily on expertise and efforts provided by state (or federal) OSHAs, state provided worker compensation systems, and academic leaders if present. The success of these organizations in reducing workplace injuries and illnesses and progressing protective initiatives is directly related to their relationships with private and public employers. Oregon is a unique state, due to its size, state-wide occupational safety and health programs and initiatives, and predilection towards private-public partnerships. Previous projects and commitments shared between Alliance organizations, such as presentations and planning at state-wide conferences and safety and health initiatives, allowed easier access and trust which supported the to formation of the Alliance. In recognition of these relationships and the strong organizational partnerships already fostered between Oregon OSHA, SAIF, and OHSU's Oregon Institute of Occupational Health Sciences/OHWC, the parties imagined and created Oregon's Total Worker Health Alliance. It was critical to discuss and accept that the different missions and abilities of each organization necessitated a different commitment and goal for the Alliance. Leadership commitment at the top level of each organization was essential.</p> <p>Specific joint initiatives include: continued presentations to employers and safety and health professionals, evaluating state-wide worker compensation data, and forming of a sub-committee to develop continuing TWH education certification within Oregon.</p> <p>This session will describe the factors that allowed initial adoption of this unique alliance, initial planning and commitments set within the alliance, and current plans and initiatives set within the alliance. Challenges and successes will be shared.</p>	Dede Montgomery, MS, CIH <i>OHSU</i>
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