

# Respiratory Protection Programs & Respirator Fit Testing

## April 5 - 6 & 7, 2010

### Gulfport, MS

**According to OSHA**, 5 million workers in the US are required to wear respirators for protection from harmful exposures and dangerous environments. With respirators being worn in over 1.3 million worksites, respiratory protection programs should be thorough and comprehensive for complete worker protection. But, unfortunately, the Respiratory Protection Standard is consistently listed as one of the top standards cited for violations. Problems continue to exist with proper fit testing, selection and use of respirators, inadequate respirator protection programs, medical surveillance programs and workers' medical fitness, training and evaluation. OSHA regulations require employers to designate a program administrator who is qualified by appropriate training to administer or oversee the respiratory protection program. We will provide directions for complete respiratory protection programs - including evaluation techniques - all to promote the proper use of respirators in the workplace.

Whether you attend the first 2 days on respirator protection programs or day 3 on respirator fit testing; our goal is to increase your knowledge and skills in respirator use.

**Respiratory Protection Programs** The first 2 days will provide working knowledge of essential elements of a respiratory protection program. Through lectures, case studies and hands-on you will receive tools needed to review, update, tailor, evaluate and manage your respiratory protection program.

**Respirator Fit Testing** Day 3 will be devoted to giving you hands-on experiences with qualitative and quantitative fit testing equipment. We will go through exercises and protocols to give you confidence to be a competent fit tester!

**Scholarships** These programs were developed with support from the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Public Health Service, US Department of Health and Human Services. Scholarships are available to personnel from state and local agencies needing training on respiratory protection programs. Please contact The Deep South Center for OH&S at **205.934.7178** or **dsc@uab.edu** for more information on scholarships.

**Professional Points** The Deep South Center for OH&S is an approved provider of continuing education units for nurses by the AL Board of Nursing (Provider #ABN0420) and has awarded the Respiratory Protection Programs 14.0 contact hours and Respirator Fit Testing 5.0 contact hours. The American Board of Industrial Hygiene has awarded the Respiratory Protection Programs 2.0 IH CM Points for full course participants approval #09-4925 and Respirator Fit Testing 1.0 IH CM Points for full course participants approval #09-4924. 1.0 IH CM Points for full course participants approval #09-4924.

**Information** The courses will be held at the Courtyard® by Marriott Gulfport Beachfront. Class will be held on Monday and Tuesday from 8 am - 4:30 pm. Wednesday's class will be held 8 am - 2 pm. Registration fees must be received in advance. Once registered, a detailed confirmation letter will be sent.

### Course Instructors

**R. Kent Oestenstad, PhD, CIH**  
Associate Professor & Director  
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**William E. Davis**  
Director, Industrial Hygiene  
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Deputy Director  
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**Accommodations** The room rate is \$99/single or double. Participants should call the Courtyard by Marriott directly for reservations.

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Gulfport, MS 39501  
(228) 864-4310

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/gptcy-courtyard-gulfport-beachfront>

A rate of \$79.00 per night, plus tax will be accepted for military personal showing a proper military ID.

**Comments from past participants:**

- ✓ *Good meeting, lots of material presented. Excellent instructors.*
- ✓ *I think the course was well taught and very informative.*
- ✓ *Dr. O is great @ explaining details.*
- ✓ *I enjoyed the class. Excellent program- Bill - very good instructor.*
- ✓ *Course was well laid out.*

Respiratory Protection Programs ▪ Monday, April 5 - Tuesday, April 6, 2010  
& Respirator Fit Testing ▪ Wednesday, April 7, 2010  
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Check which class you will be attending:

- Respiratory Protection Programs
- Respirator Fit Testing
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Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**Registration fees of \$395 for Respiratory Protection Programs; \$95 for Respirator Fit Testing or \$475 for all 3 days must be received in advance.** Refund requests must be made in writing two weeks prior to course. A 20% processing fee will be deducted. Make checks payable to **University of Alabama at Birmingham.**

If payment by credit card, please complete the following: \_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_ Discover

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