

Seasonal Infections: Protecting Workers in Education

Outbreaks of seasonal infections often occur in educational facilities from November to April when staff and students spend more time indoors and in close contact with others who may be sick. **Workplace acquired infections are reportable under the Occupational Health and Safety Act.**

To help employers in the education sector better understand their responsibilities regarding seasonal infections, we are offering a **FREE** webinar on **January 24th, 9:30-10:30 a.m.** This webinar, appropriate for employers, employer's associations and unions, will overview legislated responsibilities regarding seasonal infections and PSHSA relevant resources available to assist employer's in preventing the spread of infections in schools.

Join us as we work strategically together to increase awareness about seasonal infections and protect worker health and safety.

Speakers:

Leon Genesove, MD CCFP DIH FCBOM FRCPC, Chief Physician, Occupational Health and Safety Branch, Ontario Ministry of Labour (MoL) – Dr. Leon Genesove advises the Ministry of Labour on the health needs of both individuals and groups with respect to their working environment and leads the Ministry's enforcement strategy for compliance with occupational health and safety legislation in health care sector workplaces.

Henrietta Van hulle, Director, Prevention Services, West, Public Services Health and Safety Association (PSHSA) – Henrietta has over 20 years experience in occupational health and safety. She has a Bachelors in Nursing degree and has completed the Infection Control Practitioner program at Centennial College. She has her CRSP designation and also has received her Canadian Certification in Occupational Health Nursing.

To attend this webinar, you will need a computer with internet access and a telephone (if there is more than one person attending at your site, you will need speaker phone).

SPACES ARE LIMITED – register early.

Login information will be emailed prior to the event.

Agenda

9:30 a.m.

Dr. Leon Genesove, MoL

- Occupational health and safety legislation for infection prevention and control
- Occupational illness reporting
- Resources

9:50 a.m.

Henrietta Van hulle, PSHSA

- Injury demographics for the sector and research findings
- Prevention measures including hand hygiene
- Outbreak management
- System resources available through PSHSA, including education sessions

10:10 a.m. Q&A

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