

2026 CHICAGOLAND SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE										
Monday Sept. 14	8:00-8:30	Session ID	8:30 - 10:00	Session ID	10:15 - 11:45	11:50 - 1:00	Session ID	1:15 - 2:45	Session ID	3:00 - 4:30
	Coffee and Networking	M1	Why Do Bad Things Keep Happening? Keynote - Aaron Gelb Auditorium	M2	AI Powered Safety: From Reactive to Predictive Safety Heather Chapman Room 260	Lunch Break	M8	Cutting Through the Hype: Practical Agentic AI for your SMS Robert Stevens Room 261	M14	Preparing for Environmental Compliance in 2027 Justin Finger Room 261
				M3	Protecting the Human Inside the Hard Hat Scott Evans Room 261		M9	SHIELD R Response Model: Workplace Violence Prevention Brandon Grodsky Room 162	M15	The Illinois Reality: The #1 SIF and the 47% Problem John A. Newquist Room 260
				M4	Case Studies: The Best and Worst in Process Safety Culture Moments Gayle Nicoll Room 162		M10	Handling Workplace Chemicals – TSCA Richard M. Petite, MS, CSP Room 166	M16	Insurance Risk Management for the Safety Professional Brandon Jeralds Room 164
				M5	When You Dial 911: What Actually Happens and How to Help Us Help You James McIntyre Room 164		M11	PSM & RMP: Comparins and Contrasting both Rules Robert Evangelisti, P.E., CEA, CHMM, CSP Room 164	M17	Practical Sustainability Eric Emmett Room 166
				M6	The Elephant in the Room: Let’s Talk Openly About Mental Health at Work Martin Franchi Room 166		M12	Competent Person: Roles, Responsibilities, & Training for Workplace Safety Timothy Janis Room 260		162
				M7	Applying IH Basics to Heat Stress Julie Hanebuth Room 167		M13	Navigating the Surge in Environmental Product Compliance Regulations Travis Miller Room 167		
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T2			Creating Line Level Ownership Through Leadership Development Jonathan Neubauer Room 164	T9	Hand and Portable Power Tool Safety Jeffrey Moran Room 164		T15	Work Zone Safety for Roadway Operations Jeffrey Moran Room 164	T21	How Operational Issues Impact Fines, Lawsuits & Reputation Andrew Bajorat Room 166
T3			Come Play: Psychological Health & Safety Jeopardy Martin Franchi Room 166	T10	Mentoring New Environmental Professionals Eric Emmett Room 260		T16	Peering into the Regulatory Crystal Ball Jessica Black Room 167	T22	When Values Collide: Handling Ethical Tension at Work Maribeth Anderson, MPA, CSP Room 164
T4			RCRA Recycling Reliefs: Simplify Compliance, Cut Costs Joel R. Gregier Room 167	T13	QPR Suicide Prevention Training – Equipping Leaders to Save Lives Megan Hammes Room 167		T17	Silica: From Risks to Controls Theodore J. Hogan Room 260	T23	Stop the Slip: Prevent Falls Before Costly Claims Ron Schakowsky Room 256
T5			EHS Data Management: A DIY Approach Joseph Kunes Room 260		166		T18	I filed an OSHA complaint and investigated it myself Ricky Ward Room 256	T24	Serious Injury and Fatality (SIF) Prevention: Moving Beyond Compliance Mark Maynard Room 260
T6			Special Student Session Room 256		Special Student Session Continuation Room 256		T19	Leading through the Gray Carlos Galinda Room 166	T25	The Role of Supervisors - Confined Space Entry Michael Veseling Room 167
T7			29 CFR 1926.65(e)(8), Construction 40 Hour Health and Safety Refresher and First Responder Operations. Dennis Terpin Room 162				29 CFR 1926.65(e)(8), Construction 40 Hour Health and Safety Refresher and First Responder Operations. Dennis Terpin Room 162			
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		W2	Hello Air Permit, Allow Me to Introduce Safety Katie Hoyt 164	W8	Mock Deposition Don Phillips & Brian Roseni Room 162		W14	Annual RCRA Hazardous Waste Refresher Martin Hamper Room 164	W20	NFPA 660 - Introduction to Combustible Dust Ashok Ghose Dastidar Room 162
		W3	Excavation Safety: A Quick Review Robert Evangelisti, P.E., CSP Room 166	W9	Process Safety Concepts for Laboratory Operations Dennis Terpin Room 164		W15	Case Law Update 2026: What's New in Workers' Comp Tim O'Gorman Room 260	W21	Clearing the Air: Understanding Silica Exposures Kiana Porter Room 164
		W4	Lockout/Tagout: Utilizing Technology for Controlling Hazardous Energy Scott Stone Room 167	W10	Thriving Together: Total Worker Health as a Living Ecosystem Sara Gibson Room 166		W16	Protect Your Hearing. Reduce the Noise. Brian Felsen Room 167	W22	Maintenance Technician's View of PSM Charles Wilkinson Room 261
		W5	Right Tools, Right Fit: Turning Ergonomic Insights into Impact Dr. Carrie Bath-Scheel, edD, OT/L, CPE Room 260	W11	The Mental Health-Injury Connection: Building a Safey, Healthier Workforce Dr. Dave Wehby Room 167		W17	AI Tools Every Safety Professional Sould Know Shawn O'Brien Room 261	W23	Employee Emergency Medical First Responder Teams for Industry Douglas Fabian Room 167
		W6	Collecting, Managing & Interpreting Chemical Exposure Data Tyler Gilmore, CIH, CSP Room 261	W12	Machine guarding and LOTO Compliance in Real Life Brandon Jeralds Room 260		W18	Framework for Creating a Best in Class Safety Culture April Greene, CSP, CHMM Room 166		166