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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Jennifer Cavallari, ScD, CIH has received Certification as an Occupational Hearing Conservationist (COHC) by the Council for Accreditation in Occupational Hearing Conservation.

- Public health doctoral candidate, Manik Ahuja won top honors in the graduate student poster competition held by the Occupational Health and Safety section of the American Public Health Association. His poster presentation, "Gender Disparities in Musculoskeletal Symptoms in Tasks Performed Amongst Custodians" was one of two posters selected for an award.

SAVE THE DATES:

- CPH-NEW and CHIP will be hosting a Participatory Action Research forum on March 30th, from 12:30-4:30 at the Student Union Ballroom on the Storrs campus. We will have more information in the near future.

- CPH-NEW conference will be held in Sturbridge on Jan 14, 2016.

- On the afternoon of March 30th, 2016 there will be a collaborative CPH-NEW and CHIP forum on the Storrs campus. The topic will be Community Based Participate Action Research (CBPR).

TRENDS IN OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

The December Trends in Occupational Health meeting focused on the influence of work on healthy eating. Our guest facilitator was Jennifer Buden, a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist, CD-N, and Graduate Research Assistant in the Department of Allied Health Sciences at UConn. Ms. Buden led a lively discussion on the influence of environmental factors in the workplace on health behaviors, such as healthy eating and physical activity.

If you are interested in obtaining more information on these topics, please contact Sara Namazi at namazi@uchc.edu or Lisa Rusch at lisa.rusch@uconn.edu, and we will forward the articles discussed.
Our next invited guest speaker for our Colloquium series is: **Maurizio Trippolini, Ph.D.**

Maurizio Trippolini is a research scientist at the Center for Disability Research directed by Glenn Pransky, MD. Dr. Trippolini’s broad professional background includes experience as a work rehabilitation clinician, program director and researcher. Early in his career, he joined the Department of Ergonomics of the Rehaklinik Bellikon, an enterprise of the Swiss Accident Insurance Fund. While there he was appointed as rehabilitation director of the Department of Work Rehabilitation. In this role, he expanded the department from one to four interdisciplinary teams including physicians, psychologists, therapists, vocational professionals and administrative staff. He developed and implemented Innovative approaches for work rehabilitation interventions.

Before joining the Research Institute, Dr. Trippolini completed his Ph.D. in medical sciences at the Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Groningen in The Netherlands. Prior, he had received a Master of Sciences from the Department of Epidemiology at the Faculty of Health Sciences at Maastricht University. Dr. Trippolini also earned a Bachelor degree in physical therapy.

Dr. Trippolini has presented and delivered more than 50 invited lectures in Europe and North America. His scientific work has appeared in a variety of journals including the *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*, *Spine* and the *Journal of Occupational Rehabilitation*.

He will be presenting a seminar on **Wednesday, January 6, 2016**

**Title of Talk:** “Traffic accident-associated disorders: whiplash as an example”

**Time:** 12:00pm—1:00pm

**Location:** UConn Health Outpatient Pavilion, 2nd floor, Large Conference Room.

** Lunch will be provided** Please RSVP for this event, to Miriam at muniz@uchc.edu
PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Trestman attended and gave the following talks at:

· University of Connecticut, Human Rights Institute, “Constrained Choice,” UConn Storrs Campus, April 1, 2015.


· Vera Institute of Justice Advisory Board Meeting, panel member for “A Sentinel Events Approach to Addressing Suicide and Self-Harm in Jail,” New York City, June 1, 2015.


As part of CPH-NEW, Jenn Cavallari gave the following talks to professionals:


Dr. Erdil will be giving a presentation at:

**PUBLICATIONS**


- **Michna I, Trestman RL.** Correctional management and treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorders, In Review.

- **Cislo, A, Trestman RL.** Psychiatric hospitalization after participation in START NOW. Letter to the Editor, *Psychiatric Services*. In press.

- **Seena Fazel, Adrian J Hayes; Katrina Bartellas; Massimo Clerici; Robert Trestman.** The mental health of prisoners: a review of prevalence, adverse outcomes and interventions. In Review.

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**PRESENTATIONS (CONT)***

Members of the DOEM presented research at the Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association in Chicago, November 1-4.


- **Garza J, Wakai S, Cavallari J.** Motivators and Barriers to the Use of Personal Protective Equipment Among Custodians. Poster Presentation.


- **Ahuja MA, Garza J, Cavallari J.** Gender Disparities in Musculoskeletal Symptoms in Tasks Performed Amongst Custodians. Poster Presentation.


• Virdi, S, Trestman, RL. Personality Disorders in the Corrections Population. 8th Academic & Health Policy Conference on Correctional Health in Boston MA, March 20, 2015.


