

# **Greater Houston Industrial Hygiene Council: *Incident Management and Emergency Response***

**April 19, 2012 | Houston, Texas**

**Session Arranged by: Sarosh J. H. Manekshaw, CIH**

**8:30-9:00 Sign in**

**9:00-9:15 Introduction and Announcements – Sarosh Manekshaw**

**9:15-10:45 Shelter-In-Place**

**Dennis Casserly, PhD, CIH**

University of Houston - Clear Lake, Houston, TX

This presentation will provide an overview of the principles, procedures and efficacy of Shelter-In-Place (SIP) for emergency incidents, including those involving chemical, biological and radioactive materials. Dr. Casserly will describe the types of sheltering, air exchange rates, safe rooms and additional resources. SIP is a protection tool that is used when there is reasonable assurance that movement of people beyond the workplace, residence, or school will endanger them more than allowing them to remain in place.

**10:45- 11:00 BREAK**

**11:00-12:00 Data Management Principles During Emergency Response Events**

**Julie Sezonov, CHMM**

Total Safety, Houston, TX

Ms. Sezonov will describe best practices to collect, transmit and manage data during an emergency situation.

**12:00 – 1:00 LUNCH**

**1:00- 2:00 Alternate Workspace Strategies: Having the Right Tools in Your Toolbox**

**Steven O'Neal**

Rentsys Recovery Services, Houston, TX

The key to recovering a business following a disaster is flexibility. Disasters never go as planned so you must have flexibility to deal with the problems that come up. Another key is to have multiple tools in your possession readily available to deal with the disaster. Do you have a single tool in your toolbox in your garage? A screwdriver will do nothing for you when a pipe breaks. Therefore you need to have various tools available to deal with small and large disasters.

**2:00 – 3:00 Responding to Hazardous Material Incidents in the City of Houston**

**Dennis Alvarez**

City of Houston Office of Emergency Management, Houston, TX

Mr. Alvarez will describe the role and responsibilities of the Office of Emergency Management (OEM). He will provide examples of emergency incidents including the OEM's response.

**3:00 – 3:15 Break**

**3:15 – 4:30 Round Table Discussion (Moderator: Sarosh Manekshaw)**

Open forum with speakers and participants to discuss issues, problems and personal experiences with incident management and emergency response.

**4:30 ADJOURN**

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[1851 Crosspoint](#), Houston, TX 77054

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