



Emerging Workplace Hazards: Creating Adaptable and Innovative Safety and Health Training

The Eighth National Trainers' Exchange

May 2-4, 2023 Indianapolis, IN

What is a Trainers' Exchange (TRX)?

The NIEHS <u>Worker Training Program</u> (WTP) hosts the trainers' exchange (TRX) as an event for trainers to gather and share training best practices through a series of participatory workshops.

Principal Investigators (PIs) from <u>WTP-funded organizations</u>, or <u>grantees</u>, send trainers from their programs to the TRX. The event provides an opportunity for trainers to enhance their teaching methods and learn how to create more effective and empowering training modules. This ensures that trainers meet their continuing education as required in the <u>WTP Minimum Criteria</u>.

How Does a TRX Work?

Trainers submit abstracts that combine training methods and technical subject matter for powerful, worthwhile workshops. The workshops are conducted by trainers, giving them an opportunity to share training methods that are engaging, innovative, and participatory.











What past participants have to say...

TRX workshops are informative and engaging:

"The workshop was very engaging and informative. The presenter used a combination of personal and professional experience, anecdotal evidence, and interactive tools to make their point. It was very effective".

Hands-on workshops allow trainers to be active participants in courses they teach:

"Lots of interactive hands-on demo and stories for training".

"Hands on exercises were the most valuable aspect".

Workshops use the materials and equipment used in trainings:

"Appreciated the use of actual equipment and materials to demonstrate lesson".

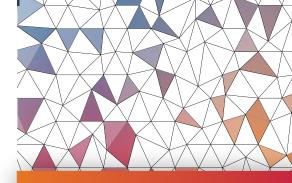
"I like the use of demonstrative methods used to convey material covered".

Participants leave TRX with tangible solutions for training challenges:

"Walked away with knowledge of different ways to present basic concepts".

The TRX is a Trainer's Opportunity to Be the Student and Connect with Peers

As the worker safety and health community continues to be met with challenges, new training methods are necessary. Attending the TRX will give trainers and Pls the opportunity to learn, engage, and share training methods with one another, while also building connections and partnerships for future training needs.



Look Inside Past Trainers' Exchange

The NIEHS Environmental Factor article highlights the seventh TRX that was held on May 10-11, 2018, in Phoenix, Arizona.

The theme of the event was, "Looking to the Future: Generational Transitions." The event featured speakers who shared personal stories, historical perspectives, and the collective success of WTP to inspire the next generation of trainers.

Workshop sessions included discussions on training the millennial generation, addressing opioid exposure as an emerging issue for worker health and safety, and other topics. Some hands-on activities featured demonstrating harness techniques to prevent falls, exhibiting biohazard safety methods for putting on and removing personal protective equipment, and displaying triage techniques.

Read the full article on the seventh TRX here: Environmental Factor: National Trainers Exchange draws health, safety professionals together