

Dear Mine Operator or Contractor,

Mine safety instructors from Penn State University's Miner Training Program, safety and health specialists from the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), and industry safety professionals will be conducting a one-day professional development workshop for mine supervisors, competent persons, and safety professionals on September 30th, 2008 in Woodside, DE.

The purpose of the workshop is to enhance safety at your operation through education and training in timely topics, such as recent accidents, understanding the new citation procedures and penalties, violation trends, fall protection, improving the conditions of your operation through inspections, safety excellence, and teambuilding.

Tentative program:

- MSHA update: injuries, regulations, etc.
- Preparing for inspections
- Fall Protection
- Teambuilding
- Safety Excellence

The program will be held at the POLYTECH Area School District campus (www.polytech.k12.de.us), Adult Education Conference Center (P.O. Box 102, Woodside, DE 19980; ph. 302.697.4545). The Center is located on Rt. 13, south of Dover, DE. The program will begin at 9:00 a. m. and conclude at 4:00 p.m. ***There is no charge for attending the program, but participants must register with Penn State by September 19th. Seats are limited. Lunch will be provided.***

Please contact Kathy Johnstonbaugh at kfb2@psu.edu (ph. 814.865.7472/fax 814.863.1621) for further information and to register. Information on the workshop can also be viewed at www.msha.gov/events/upcomingevents.asp.