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## Safety and Health Organizations and Agencies

The following is a list of organizations and government agencies which are involved in safety and health.

Brief descriptions of their responsibilities are included for your information.

### **American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH)**

Kemper Woods Center  
1330 Kemper Meadow Drive  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45240

[www.acgih.org](http://www.acgih.org)

Professional society of persons employed by official governmental units responsible for full-time programs of industrial hygiene. Devoted to the development of administrative and technical aspects of worker health protection.

### **American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA)**

2700 Prosperity Avenue  
Suite 250  
Fairfax, Virginia 22031  
(703)849-8888

[www.aiha.org](http://www.aiha.org)

Professional society of industrial hygienists. Promotes the study and control of environmental factors affecting the health and well-being of industrial workers.

### **American National Standards Institute**

(ANSI)  
11 West 42nd Street  
New York, New York 10038  
(212)642-4980 (Customer Service)

[www.ansi.org](http://www.ansi.org)

Serves as a clearinghouse for nationally coordinated voluntary safety, engineering, and industrial standards. Contact them to purchase copies of various ANSI Standards.

### **American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)**

100 Bar Harbor Drive  
West Conshohocken, PA 19428  
(610)832-9585

[www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org)

Establishes voluntary consensus standards for material, products, systems, and services.



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### **American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME)**

Three Park Avenue  
New York, New York 10017  
(800) 843-2763  
[www.asme.org](http://www.asme.org)

Conducts research; develops boiler, pressure vessel and power test codes. Sponsors American National Standards Institute in developing safety codes and standards for equipment.

### **American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE)**

1800 East Oakton Street  
Des Plaines, Illinois 60016  
(708)699-2929  
[www.asse.org](http://www.asse.org)

Professional society of safety engineers, safety directors, and others concerned with accident prevention and safety programs.

### **American Welding Society (AWS)**

Post Office Box 351040  
550 LeJeune Road, NW  
Miami, Florida 33135  
(305)443-9353  
[www.aws.org](http://www.aws.org)

Professional engineering society in the field of welding. Sponsors seminars and conferences on welding.

### **Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)**

Postal Square Building  
2 Massachusetts Ave., NE  
Washington, DC 20212-0001  
(202)691-5200  
[www.bls.gov](http://www.bls.gov)

Compiles and publishes statistics on occupational injuries and illnesses.

### **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**

US Department of Health and Human Services  
1600 Clifton Avenue, N.E.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30333  
(404)329-3311  
[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)



Surveys national disease trends, epidemics and environmental health problems. Promotes national health education program. Administers block grants to states for preventive medicine and health services programs.

**Compressed Gas Association (CGA)**

1725 Jefferson Davis Highway  
Suite 1004  
Arlington, Virginia 22202  
(703)412-0900

[www.cganet.com](http://www.cganet.com)

Submits recommendations to appropriate government agencies to improve safety standards and methods of handling, transporting, and storing gases. Acts as advisor to regulatory authorities and other agencies concerned with safe handling of compressed gases.

**Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

401 M Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20460  
(202)382-4361

[www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov)

Administers federal environmental policies, research, and regulations. Provides information on many environmental subjects including water pollution, hazardous and solid waste disposal, air and noise pollution, pesticides, and radiation.

**Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA)**

US Department of Labor  
4015 Wilson Boulevard  
Arlington, Virginia 22203  
(703)235-1452

[www.msha.gov](http://www.msha.gov)

Administers and enforces the health and safety provisions of the Federal Mine Safety Health Act of 1977. Has a training facility in Beckley, West Virginia. (Mine Health and Safety Academy, Post Office Box 1166, Beckley, West Virginia 25801)

**National Archives and Records Administration**

Multimedia and Publications Distribution Division  
Customer Services Section  
8700 Edgeworth Drive  
Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743-3701  
(301)763-1896

[www.nara.gov](http://www.nara.gov)

Serves as the central source for all federally produced audiovisual materials and makes them available to the public through information and distribution services.

**National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)**

1 Batterymarch Park  
Quincy, Massachusetts 02269  
(800)344-3555  
[www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org)

Develops, publishes, and disseminates standards, prepared by approximately 175 technical committees, intended to minimize the possibility and effects of fire and explosion.

**National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)**

US Department of Health and Human Services  
Publications Dissemination  
4676 Columbia Parkway  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45226  
(513)533-8287  
[www.cdc.gov/page.do](http://www.cdc.gov/page.do)

Part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Supports and conducts research on occupational safety and health issues. Provides technical assistance and training. Develops recommendations for OSHA. Operates an occupational safety and health informational bibliographic data base.

**National Institute of Standards and Technology**

US Department of Commerce  
National Engineering Laboratory  
Route I-270 and Quince Orchard Road  
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899  
(301)921-3434  
[www.nist.gov](http://www.nist.gov)

Develops engineering measurements, data, and test methods. Produces the technical base for proposed engineering standards and code changes. Generates new engineering practices. Aids international competitiveness of small and medium-sized companies and consortia through technology development and transfer programs.

**National Institute of Health (NIH)**

US Department of Health and Human Services  
9000 Rockville Pike  
Bethesda, Maryland 20205  
(301)496-5787  
[www.nih.gov](http://www.nih.gov)

Supports and conducts biomedical research into the causes and prevention of diseases and furnishes information to health professionals and the public.



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### **National Safety Council (NSC)**

1121 Spring Lake Drive  
Itasca, Illinois 60143-3201  
(708)285-1121

[www.nsc.org](http://www.nsc.org)

A voluntary, non-governmental organization which promotes accident reduction by providing a forum for the exchange of safety and health ideas, techniques, experiences, and accident prevention methods.

### **National Technical Information Service (NTIS)**

US Department of Commerce  
5285 Port Royal Road  
Springfield, Virginia 22161  
(703)487-4636

[www.edworld.gov](http://www.edworld.gov)

Distribution center that sells to the public government-funded research and development reports and other technical analyses prepared by federal agencies, their contractors, or grantees. Offers microfiche and computerized bibliography search services.

### **Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) - National Office**

US Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20210  
(202)693-1999

For Emergency Only: 1-800-321-6742 or for TTY 1-877-889-5627

Sets policy, develops programs, and implements the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970. For updated reports, directories, and other useful information, you may access OSHA through the internet at [www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov)

OSHA Outreach Page - Online: <http://www.osha.gov/outreach.html>

Visit this page for a list of consultation offices, training resources, list of states with their own plans, and many other useful resources.

### **Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission (OSHRC)**

Public Information Office  
1120 20th St., NW, 9th Floor  
Washington, DC 20036-3457  
(202)606-5398

[www.oshrc.gov/index.html](http://www.oshrc.gov/index.html)

Independent executive agency that adjudicates disputes between private employers and OSHA arising from citations of occupational safety and health standards.



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**Prevent Blindness America**

Prevent Blindness America  
211 West Wacker Drive  
Suite 1700  
Chicago, Illinois 60606  
[www.preventblindness.org/](http://www.preventblindness.org/)

**Superintendent of Documents**

US Government Printing Office (GPO)  
732 N. Capitol Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20402  
(202)783-3238  
[www.gpo.com](http://www.gpo.com)

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