



SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE
ASSP Region VIII • New England Area
November 4th & 5th, 2025
 Sheraton Nashua
 11 Tara Blvd., Nashua NH USA, 03062

27th ANNUAL
NEW ENGLAND AREA
PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT
CONFERENCE

Tuesday, November 4th – DAY 1

7:00 AM	REGISTRATION • Ashwood Court		
7:00 AM	CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST • NETWORKING • Wentworth		
Room	North Ballroom		
8:00 AM – 9:15 AM Opening Remarks and General Session I	Hot Cells, High Stakes: Mitigating Lithium Battery Fire Risks in the Workplace Michael "Miki" Alroy, STS		
9:15 AM – 9:30 AM	EXHIBITION GRAND OPENING • BREAK • South & Center Ballroom		
Room	North Ballroom	Bedford	Amherst
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM Breakout Sessions I	It's a Simple Question: "Are You Prepared?" James Burke, CSP, CHMM, ABCP	You Can Manage Change Paul Lane, CSHM	Re-writing the Blueprint to Safety Excellence by Reducing SIF with Biometrics and AI S. Andrew Wright, CSP, CIH
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	BREAK • South & Center Ballroom		
Room	North Ballroom	Bedford	Amherst
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Breakout Session II	Combustible Dust: Standards and Practical Applications Rich Sarnie, CSP, P.E., ARM	Keeping A Fleet Safety Program From Crashing Tim McCarty, CSP, ARM, ACLM	Silos: Cultivating Expertise to Promote Change Shawn Rice, CSP, STSC, CIT
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	HOT BUFFET LUNCH • 50/50 RAFFLE • Wentworth		
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	BREAK • South & Center Ballroom		
Room	North Ballroom	Bedford	Amherst
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM Breakout Session III	From Culture to Outcomes: Leveraging Leading Indicators for Safer, and Smarter Workplaces Peter Susca, M.S. Tom West, SPHR, SHRM, COSS	Noise and Hearing Conservation Programs - A Practical Approach Kristin Garland, CIH	Pre-Use Inspections - The Bane of Management and How to Change It Forever! Jay Sturm, NCCER, NCCCO
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	BREAK • South & Center Ballroom		
Room	North Ballroom	Bedford	Amherst
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM Breakout Session IV	Occupational Radon Exposure: The Unacceptable Risk Fred Straub, Ph.D., CSP, ARM	Enhancing Field Team Engagement and Buy-in Shawna Fraser Nagle, M.S., CSP, CHST, CUSP	Alternative Energy Control; how to manage & document using the OSHA LOTO Minor Servicing Exception David Garner, CSP, CHMM, SMP
4:30 PM – 4:45 PM	BREAK • South & Center Ballroom		
Room	North Ballroom	Bedford	Amherst
4:45 PM – 5:45 PM Breakout Session V	The Shift to SIFs: Measuring and Learning from SIF Exposures David Tibbetts, CSP	Developing safety culture for novel materials in the fusion industry Meghan Devine, CSP	How to Create Sure-Fire Safety Training Demonstrations Todd Hudson, M.S. Engineering
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	THE PDC SOCIAL • Sponsored by Greater Boston WISE • Ashwood Court		



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Wednesday, November 5th – DAY 2

7:00 AM	REGISTRATION • Ashwood Court		
7:00 AM	HOT BREAKFAST • NETWORKING • Wentworth		
Room	North Ballroom		
8:00 AM - 9:10 AM Opening Remarks and General Session II	Leaving a Safety Legacy Wylie Davidson		
9:10 AM - 9:25 AM	BREAK • South & Center Ballroom		
Room	North Ballroom	Bedford	Amherst
9:25 AM – 10:25 AM Breakout Session VI	Essentials of Machine Safety for EHS Professionals Ryan Hayworth, FS Engineer Bill Starnes, Mech. Engr., B11 LMSS	How to be Successful as a Safety Professional (in Construction) Matthew Chasse, CSP, SMP, CHST	Workplace Injuries and Costs in Public Healthcare Facilities Chandni Shahdev, BDS, MPH, ScD
10:25AM – 11:00 AM	BREAK • South & Center Ballroom		
Room	North Ballroom	Bedford	Amherst
11:00 AM – 12:00 AM Breakout Session VII	EPA Risk Management Rules and Exposure Limits - What do these mean for EHS Professionals? Daniel Bracey, CSP, CIH, CHMM	Duty of Care for Workplace Emergencies Why Don't Employers Care? Bo Mitchell, CEM, CPP, CHS-V+	Artificial Light at Night: A Growing Threat to Human Health Mehdi Khalighi Ph.D., CIH, CSP
12:00 AM – 1:00 PM	COLD BUFFET LUNCH • 50/50 RAFFLE • Wentworth		
1:00 PM – 1:45 PM	BREAK • South & Center Ballroom		
Room	North Ballroom	Bedford	Amherst
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM Breakout Session VIII	Ergonomics in the Workplace: Practical Solutions Across Industries Shelby Pocius, ATC CEAS III	The Safety Climb: Getting There From Here Corey Martin, M.S.	Strategic Roadmap by Design: Smarter Decision- Making for Safer Workplaces Bill Flynn
2:45 PM – 2:55 PM	BREAK • South & Center Ballroom		
Room	North Ballroom	Bedford	Amherst
2:55 – 3:55 PM Breakout Session IX	So, you want to speak at a conference, now what? Natalia Olive, CSP, CSHM	ISO 45001 Standard - Real World Implementation Mary McCoy, P.E.	10 Unresolved Laboratory Safety Issues Scientist vs Safety Professional Stephen Larson, CIH, CSP, RRPT
3:55 PM – 4:00 PM	BREAK • South & Center Ballroom		
Room	North Ballroom		
4:00 PM – 4:50 PM General Session III	Stephanie L. Johnson, CSP, CHMM, ASSP Board, Director-At-Large		
4:50 PM – 5:00 PM	CLOSING & RAFFLE • THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!		