



GHS In Canada

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Presenter biography

Véronique Lalonde is the Manager of the Regulatory Affairs, Compliance and Enforcement Division within Workplace Hazardous Material Bureau. This Division is responsible for the administration of the *Hazardous Product Act* and its regulations which incorporates the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) for workplace chemicals. The Division is also responsible for the administration of the exemption mechanism for trade secret in Canada.



Before joining the program, Véronique held various roles within the Health Canada including that of Manager and Associate Director within the Office of Submissions and Intellectual Property and Manager within the Health Product and Food Branch Inspectorate. Véronique's academic background is in Biotechnology.

Presentation abstract

Health Canada is currently leading multiple projects to continuously support the Department's mandate to protect the safety and health of Canadian workers. Notably, Health Canada will provide updates on two key ongoing regulatory initiatives, including amendments to the *Hazardous Products Regulations* to further align with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling for chemicals and the modernization of the *Hazardous Material Information Review Act*. Health Canada will also outline the process and steps required for filing a claim for exemption for confidential business information, and discuss work being undertaken related to classification and compliance and enforcement.