



# Overview of the Proposed Updates to the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard

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Tuesday, April 13, 2021 – 1:00-2:15 (ET)

## **Objectives / Abstract**

OSHA is proposing through this <u>Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM</u>) to modify the Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) to conform to the United Nations' Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) Revision 7 (GHS, Rev. 7), to address issues that arose during the implementation of the 2012 update to the HCS, and provide better alignment with other U.S. agencies and international trading partners, without lowering overall protections of the standard. OSHA has preliminarily determined that the proposed revisions to the HCS will reduce costs and burdens while also improving the quality and consistency of information provided to employers and employees regarding chemical hazards and associated protective measures. The agency has preliminarily determined that the proposed revisions will enhance the effectiveness of the HCS by ensuring employees are appropriately apprised of the chemical hazards to which they may be exposed, thus reducing the incidence of chemical-related occupational illnesses and injuries. The proposed modifications to the standard include revised criteria for classification of certain health and physical hazards, revised provisions for updating labels, new labeling provisions for small containers, technical amendments related to the contents of safety data sheets (SDSs), and related revisions to definitions of terms used in the standard.

# **Cancelation Policy**

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### Agenda:

• Welcome and introduction to speakers

Beth Dederick, Ph.D., SCHC Vice President & SCHC Alliance Committee Chair

• Overview of HCS NPRM by OSHA

Janet Carter, Senior Health Scientist - U.S. DOL / OSHA Deana Holmes, Health Scientist - U.S. DOL / OSHA Jennifer Lawless, Sr Industrial Hygienist - U.S. DOL / OSHA

• Q&A – please submit your questions at the time of registration.

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#### PRESENTER(S)

#### Janet Carter



Janet is a Senior Health Scientist with the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration. She is currently the project lead for the 2021 update to the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, and serves as the U.S. lead on the UN GHS subcommittee or experts working group on non-animal testing and germ cell mutagenicity. Janet received a BS in Zoology from Miami University, MS in Molecular and Cell Biology from the University of Cincinnati, and studied epidemiology and public health at Emory University Rollin's School of Public Health.

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