<u>The Canadian Registration Board of Occupational Hygienists (CRBOH) Preparing Scope of Practice</u> <u>Statements for Accreditations Registered Occupational Hygienist (ROH) and Registered Occupational Hygiene Technologist (ROHT)</u>

Occupational Hygiene services are fundamental to an overall worker protection program and should be delivered by competent occupational hygienists to safeguard the collection, validation and maintenance of appropriate occupational hygiene information to assist in the prevention of occupational illness. There are varying levels of training in the field of occupational hygiene. Typically, the level of training required will relate to the role of the occupational hygienist or technologist performing the work.

The CRBOH sets standards of professional competence for occupational hygienists and occupational hygiene technologists in Canada, yet we do not have a clear scope of practice definition for the ROH or the ROHT accreditation. The CRBOH acknowledges that scope of practice documents is essential to advance stakeholder understanding of the two distinct designations.

Consequently, the CRBOH Governing Board of Directors is currently preparing scope of practice documents for both the ROH and the ROHT. Until our documents are released, we encourage stakeholders to review the **OHlearning.com's** definitions for Assistant Hygienist/Hygiene Technician, Professional Occupational Hygienist and Senior Occupational Hygienist which can be found here:

http://www.ohlearning.com/about-occupational-hygiene/roles-in-oh/oh-in-industry-commerce-and-health-services.aspx#ProfessionalOccupationalHygienist,

and the American Industrial Hygiene Association's Core Competencies for the Practice of Industrial/Occupational Hygiene publication.

If you are a CRBOH member and would like to contribute to this important work, please contact the CRBOH Secretariat at secretariat@crboh.ca.

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