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## JHSC Part 2 Certification Course: Health Care

In our February issue of EHS Headlines, we reported that Joint Health and Safety Committee members holding Part 1 (Basic) certification must complete Part 2 (Workplace Specific or Sector Specific Hazard Training) by December 31, 2001 to retain their status.

REA is pleased to announce our Part 2 Certification course for the Health Care Sector.

This course has been designed to meet the needs of JHSC members in health care settings from hospitals to home care. The course will provide hazard-specific training for various health care work environments and provide the JHSC certified member with sufficient information to manage health and safety concerns in any health care environment.

Over a 2-day session significant workplace hazards will be explored in-depth, with a focus on identifying relevant legislation / standards / best practices to control or eliminate these hazards. The course combines lectures, group exercises, and problem solving scenarios.

Our 2-day Part 2 Certification course will be offered as a public course, and will be available as an in-house course by request. The cost for the public course is \$425 per participant

For a more detailed outline of Part 2 Certification courses, please visit our website at:  
[http://www.rea.ca/dscrip/dscrip\\_f.htm](http://www.rea.ca/dscrip/dscrip_f.htm).

Stay tuned as Part 2 Certification courses for the Food Services, Municipal, Automotive, Property Management and Office Environment will be announced soon.

To enquire about any of our training courses or to book an in-house course, please contact Ana Chang at 416-495-1314 ext.11.

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### Upcoming Courses

#### Joint Health & Safety Committee Member Courses

##### *Basic Certification:*

April 25 & 26 -- Toronto  
May 2 & 3 -- Kitchener-Waterloo  
May 9 & 10 -- Toronto  
May 15 & 16 -- London  
May 15 & 16 -- Ottawa  
May 23 & 24 -- Kingston  
June 6 & 7 -- Toronto  
June 13 & 14 -- Hamilton  
June 20 & 21 -- Kitchener-  
Waterloo  
June 27 & 28 -- Toronto

##### *Part 2 Certification, Health Care:*

May 9 & 10 -- Toronto  
May 23 & 24 -- Toronto  
June 5 & 6 -- Kingston  
June 11 & 12 -- Toronto  
June 20 & 21 -- London

#### OHS for Managers & Supervisors – the “Competent Person” Course:

June 25 & 26 -- Toronto

#### Machine & Process Safeguarding:

May 8 -- Toronto  
May 29 -- Kitchener-Waterloo  
June 19 -- Toronto

#### Contractor Project Safety Mgmt:

April 30 & May 1 -- Toronto  
July 30 & 31 -- Toronto

#### Environmental Protection Regulations in Ontario:

March 30 -- Toronto  
May 31 -- Toronto  
August 1 -- Toronto

#### Pre-start Health & Safety Review

May 7 -- Toronto  
May 28 -- Kitchener-Waterloo  
June 18 -- Toronto

#### Health & Safety Orientation and WHMIS:

April 27 -- Toronto  
May 4 -- Toronto  
May 11 -- Toronto

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# Joint Health and Safety Committee Member Basic Certification

“The **16** Hour Course”

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Ontario’s Occupational Health and Safety Act (OSHA) requires every workplace Joint Health and Safety Committee (JHSC) to have at least two “Certified Members”. This course is approved by the Ontario Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) for basic certification of committee members. Through lectures, exercises, case studies and group discussions, this course provides learners with the essential skills and knowledge needed to work effectively as key members of JHSCs.

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## What Participants are Saying . . .

*“The course was excellent, intense and exciting. The multimedia aspect and the way the instructor brought it across went very well together.” - H.E., Sunlife of Canada.*

*“The instructor was knowledgeable, professional, and articulate ... the group learned what can be a very dry subject in a most interesting way ... one of the best instructors I have been enrolled with in any course.” - S.S., Corel Corporation*

*“Instructor extremely personable and knowledgeable ... related actual situations / case histories to help explain and motivate ... well prepared and excellent rapport with the group.” – G.B., Kingston Fire Dept.*

## Upcoming Course Dates:

May 2 & 3 - Kitchener-Waterloo

May 9 & 10 - Toronto

May 15 & 16 - London

May 15 & 16 - Ottawa

May 23 & 24 - Kingston

June 6 & 7 - Toronto

June 13 & 14 - Hamilton

June 20 & 21 - Kitchener-Waterloo

## Registration Fees:

\$425 plus GST.

Includes: course, manual, copy of consolidated OHS Act and Regulations, lunch, refreshments, trial subscription to “SafetyCommittee.net” – the newsletter for and about safety committees.



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# They may be good at what they do, but are they "COMPETENT"?

## More Value for Your Training Dollar ...

- instruction by leading experts in OH&S management, engineering and law
- innovative course designs utilizing state-of-the-art multimedia technology
- all participants receive a comprehensive participant's manual, the OH&S Act and key regulations
- all graduates receive a certificate of completion
- competency-based testing to ensure mastery and support due diligence
- all registrants receive lunch and refreshments, 3 month free access to expert advisory service by telephone and World Wide Web
- money back if not completely satisfied

## Why Use Multimedia?

*OH&S Multimedia Training is classroom based instruction in which multimedia audiovisual technology is used to enhance the delivery of information. It is competency-based, and problem-centered.*

- Research shows 300% improvements in rate of learning acquisition
- Studies show 25% to 50% improvement in retention
- Higher consistency in content and delivery
- More dynamic, more engaging, more stimulating for the learner

*"Competent Person" means a person who, (a) is qualified because of knowledge, training and experience to organize the work and its performance, (b) is familiar with the OH&S Act and the regulations that apply to the work, and (c) has knowledge of any potential or actual danger to health or safety in the workplace. (s.1, OH&S Act) • an employer shall, (c) when appointing a supervisor, **appoint a competent person** (s. 25(2)(c), OH&S Act) • "Supervisor" means a person who has charge over a workplace or authority over a worker (s.1, OH&S Act) • Every director and every officer of a corporation shall **take all reasonable care** to ensure that the **corporation complies** with, (a) this Act and regulations...(s.32, OH&S Act) • The Ministry of Labour has **successfully prosecuted** for failing to appoint competent person when appointing a supervisor, and has made supervisory OH&S competence an enforcement priority.*

## The OH&S "Competent Person" Course

### Course Description:

An employer must only appoint "Competent Persons" as supervisors. The OH&S Act and regulations as require on "Competent Persons" or "Competent Workers" to operate cranes, assemble scaffolds, inspect formwork and falsework, test for hazardous conditions, act as a signaller, operate mobile equipment, as well as carry out a variety of other activities. Ensuring compliance with these duties is recognized as an important element in demonstrating due diligence.

This course is designed to help employers meet their statutory duties relating to "competent" personnel by: (1) improving learner familiarity with the Act and regulations that apply to their work; (2) developing learner skills in identifying and evaluating actual and potential dangers in the work on an ongoing basis; and (3) setting out the steps for building competency for assurance into an organization's human resources and safety management systems.

### Upcoming courses

June 25 & 26 – Toronto  
September 10 & 11 – Toronto  
November 19 & 20 - Toronto

16-hour session (2 days) is only \$495 plus GST.  
Ask us about volume discounts and in-house courses provided at your location. Registration fee includes course material, copy of consolidated OH&S Act and regulations, lunch and refreshments.



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### What Course Participants Are Saying . . .

*Wow! The OHS Competent Person course was one of the most outstanding training courses I have ever attended; instruction and presentation were world class. The material sticks with you and coverage of the potentially dry subject matter was very enjoyable. Nigel Clark, Manufacturing Manager, Nova Chemicals Ltd., Sarnia, Ontario*

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