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PRESIDENTS/CHAPTER MESSAGE

A Message from our President

Recently, at the September Membership meeting, I was speaking with an individual who, though he enjoyed his position, felt that he had to resign and move to another company because he was concerned that his former company was cutting corners. While scary, I found his decision very admirable.

This conversation reminded me of my career where I needed to move on from my position with the State as the CDL Program Manager. I did not like the direction my section was going, and I did not feel supported. My fears were also born out later as a very effective program is now a very mediocre program.

My point with this is that is that I find it very sad and frustrating that we “true” safety professionals can only do so much. Yes, while we move on with our skills to another company, this does not always correct the behaviors of the old company that still feels the need to cut corners or be mediocre and it is these companies that continually give everyone in whatever industry you are in a black eye. How do we correct this? How do we get people and companies on board to understand the importance of safety?

I wish I had answers, but I do not. However, I will continue to champion the need for safety, wherever I can, whether it is at safety meetings, conferences or just in my day-to-day work. I would like to encourage everyone else to do the same and since there is safety in numbers, perhaps we can make a difference.

Steve Monson / President



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ASSP BMC President

CHAPTER NEWS/EVENTS



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Rocky Mountain Chapter

Event Calendar

10/2025 - 12/2025

09

OCT, 2025

OCTOBER MEMBER MEETING

Emotional Resilience w. Michelle Zellner

- 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- HYBRID

13

NOV, 2025

NOVEMBER MEMBER MEETING

Opioid Overdose in the Workplace

- 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- HYBRID

05

DEC, 2025

DECEMBER MEMBER MEETING

Member Appreciation Event!

- 3:30 PM - 6:00 PM
- IN PERSON



16

DEC, 2025

FRIDAY FOOD BAG VOLUNTEER EVENT

Emotional Resilience w. Michelle Zellner

- 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
- IN PERSON



This schedule is updated on a monthly basis.

Stay up-to-date with our events by visiting the
Rocky Mountain Chapter website!

OCTOBER MEMBER MEETING

OCTOBER 9, 2025

TOPIC

Emotional Resilience

Join us virtually or in-person for our October Member Meeting where Michelle Zellner, Founder and Owner of Better Beings will present on Emotional Resilience.

This training dives into what it means to “be resilient” and offers the opportunity for participants to evaluate their own level of resiliency. The training will wrap up by discussing solutions and strategies to help participants build to bounce back.

DETAILS

MEETING FORMAT:
Hybrid

MEETING TIME:
11:30 am - 1:00 pm

LOCATION:

High Country Beverage
4200 Ronald Reagan Blvd,
Johnstown, CO, 80534



Michelle Zellner
Better Beings



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Registration and More Info: click [here](#)

November 13th – Member Meeting

Topic

“Opioid Overdose in the Workplace”

Speaker: David Shapiro, Assistant Director of Programs and Partnerships, Colorado School of Public Health

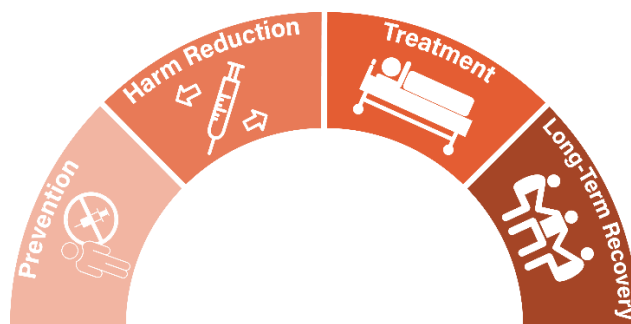
Details

Meeting Format: Hybrid

Time: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Venue: "High Country Beverage"

Address: 4200 Ronald Reagan Blvd,
Johnstown, CO, 80534



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Registration and More Info: click [here](#)

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MEMBER APPRECIATION EVENT

SAVE THE DATE

December 5, 2025
3:30pm - 6:00pm

Venue: High Country Beverage
4200 Ronald Reagan Blvd, Johnstown,
Colorado, 80534, United States

Registration and More Info: click [here](#)

December 16th – Community Outreach



VOLUNTEER WITH US!

Join us for our upcoming volunteer event
supporting the Friday Food Bag Foundation!
Friends and family are welcome.

REGISTER TODAY



December 16, 2025



5:30pm - 7:00pm



Friday Food Bag Foundation

2003 South Greeley Highway, Suite A,
Cheyenne, Wyoming, 82007, United States

VOLUNTEER



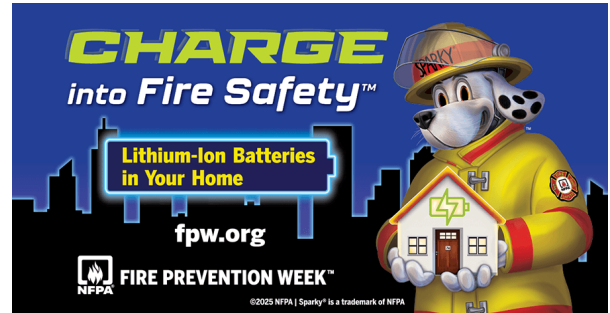
For More Info: click [here](#)

SAFETY MATTERS

Fire Prevention Week – October 5 - 11

This year's Fire Prevention Week™ (FPW™) campaign, "Charge into Fire Safety™: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home," works to educate everyone about using these batteries safely. The campaign stresses how important it is to BUY, CHARGE, and RECYCLE safely when it comes to lithium-ion batteries.

For More Info: click [here](#)



2026 ASSP Region II PDC

Join us for the 2026 ASSP Region II Professional Development Conference on March 10-11, 2026, at The Palace Station Hotel & Casino located at 2411 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada.

For More Info: click [here](#)



BCSP Qualified Academic Program (QAP)

Juniors, seniors, or master's students in good academic standing at one of BCSP's U.S. – based QAPs may apply for a \$5,000 scholarship award until October 1. 40 students will be selected.

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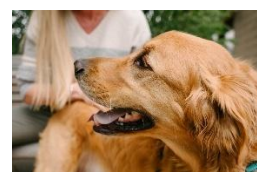
New CSU project studies how dogs are impacted by wildfire smoke, poor air quality

A Colorado study examining medical records from thousands of golden retrievers wants to find out.

For More Info: click [here](#)



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How Wearable Technology is Transforming Workplace Safety and Health

Tom West, Vice President and Global Practice Leader at MākuSafe and co-author of “Safety and Wearable Technology: Impact, Applications and Implementation in Industry,” explores how wearable tools can help safety professionals assess risks and make data-driven decisions to improve conditions for their workforce.

To Listen to the Podcast: click [here](#)



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Safety Podcasts

Tackling Psychosocial Hazards in the Workplace

9/24/2025 11:00 AM CDT

Join us for a compelling panel discussion on one of the most critical and timely topics in workplace safety today—psychosocial hazards. This session will explore the deep connections between mental well-being, psychological safety, and the reduction of serious injuries and fatalities (SIFs) in the workplace.

To Register for the Webinar: click [here](#)



Free Occupational Health and Safety Consultation

Established in 1978, the Colorado State University (CSU) health and safety consultation program offers FREE consultation services to qualifying small businesses across the state of Colorado.

The program is funded by the U.S. Dept of Labor with services administered through CSU. Consultation services are confidential and are separate from OSHA enforcement.

For More Info: click [here](#)



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Members in Action

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 BRONZE LEVEL - \$400	One Member Meeting (catering) <u>or</u> One Table at the Member Appreciation Event (portion of catering - 5 Tables available for sponsorship) - Brand placement at Event, Introduction at Event, and One-Month Sponsor Thank-You with Logo on our Sponsorship Page - same Month as event sponsored.
 SILVER SPONSOR - \$800	OSHA 10-hour Certification for students (General Industry or Construction) and Two-Month Sponsor Thank-You with Logo on our Sponsorship Page.
 GOLD LEVEL - \$1,200	Premium Placement at Member Appreciation Event and Three-Month Sponsor Thank-You with Logo on our Sponsorship Page
 Platinum Level - \$1,600	Sponsor of the Year- Sponsor a Region 2 Super Meeting hosted by Rocky Mountain Chapter (Brand visibility throughout the Western US) and Twelve-Month Sponsor Thank-You with Logo on our Sponsorship Page

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Senate Panel Backs OSHA, MSHA and NIOSH Funding: What It Means for Safety

On September 3, 2025, The Senate Appropriations Committee has advanced legislation that would maintain — and in some cases slightly increase — funding for key federal safety agencies in fiscal year 2026. This is an important milestone for the occupational environmental, health and safety (EHS) community and reflects the value of ongoing advocacy by ASSP and our members.

For More Info: click [here](#)



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US Department of Labor unveils proposals to put American workers, businesses first in release of semiannual regulatory agenda

On September 4, 2025, the Trump Administration announced its Unified Agenda of Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions, which provides the American people with a transparent look at regulations being considered by the Administration and ensures the public is engaged throughout the process. The department advanced a set of high-priority actions designed to reduce unnecessary burdens on employers and employees.

For More Info: click [here](#)



EPA proposes approval of Wyoming coal residuals permit program

On August 28, 2025, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed to approve Wyoming's coal combustion residuals (CCR) program application. This proposal would allow the state rather than the federal government to manage coal residuals disposal in surface impoundments and landfills.

For More Info: click [here](#)



2025-2026 COVID-19 vaccines

On Sept. 3, 2025, CDPHE Executive Director Jill Hunsaker Ryan issued Public Health Order 25-01: Access to COVID-19 Vaccines, and CDPHE's Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Ned Calonge, issued a standing order that will take effect on Friday, Sept. 5.

The standing order allows appropriately trained health care workers to administer vaccines according to a protocol. This allows Coloradans to receive the vaccine at participating providers and pharmacies without having to first obtain an individual prescription.

For More Info: click [here](#)



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MEMBERSHIP

Rocky Mountain Chapter Membership

We have 376 members!

Welcome New Members!

Alex Tarantino, M.S., GSP
Brian Smith

Membership Anniversaries

5-years

Darin Ferguson, CSP

Camille Forte

10-years

David E Tolbert, CSP, ASP

Allison Kobza, CSP, CHST, GSP

15-years

James M Williams, CSP

25-years

Brian J Moore, CSP



Member Spotlights

Have you, your company, or someone you know been recently recognized (award, publication, certification, or degree)?

[Let us know](#) so we can spotlight someone in an upcoming newsletter!

Get a New Member!

For every member you recruit to our Chapter you receive an award; [Contact Us](#) to receive your gift.

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



Job Openings

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