The deadline for the "Excellence in EHS Management Award" is fast approaching. We are extending the deadline until August 30th to allow you more time to submit an application for yourself or a person you feel is deserving. Transportation to the event is subsidized. Also 2 nights in a hotel will be provided. A plaque and a prize will be presented at the Award dinner on October 20th in Houston, Tx held to honor the selectee! The application form is located [here](#).
Mentor Program

ISHM is reviving the mentor program. If you hold a CSHM, CSMP, CSSM or CSHM-E will you be a mentor? Please contact us and we will get the process rolling.

Will they ever get it right?

OSHA is once again changing the long awaited crane standard. It seems they just cannot leave it alone. James Headley has written an excellent analysis of what is being conjured up now. Read it here.

Are you comfortable with the Status Quo?
If you are polishing the status quo because you are comfortable, beware. Comfort is a narcotic. It takes away your desire to look into the future. It makes you think things will be the same tomorrow as they are today. Comfort will have you expend your energy on warding off the future instead of developing skills to deal effectively with it. Sooner or later, the future will come calling, and all the fortifications you have built won’t be able to keep it out. If you are not prepared, the new reality can be harsh.

Ron Richards, Training and Development Manager

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**Are you an ASHM?**

- The summer sale is still on. If you take the CSHM exam prior to November 1, 2018 we will discount the exam fee by 50%, a $100 savings.

- There are two prep courses available in October, one in Detroit, MI and one in Las Vegas, NV. More information can be found [here](#).

- On the last day of the class ISHM offers the CSHM exam on your laptop in the classroom. Sure makes it easy.

- Contact the ISHM offices if we can be of assistance in earning the dual-accredited CSHM.

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**Opioid issues in Construction**

"According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), opioids killed more than 42,000 people in 2016 and 40% of those deaths involve a prescription opioid.

- The construction industry has one of the highest injury rates when compared to other industries and opioids have commonly been prescribed to construction workers to treat the pain caused by these occupational injuries. Since use of opioids has led to addiction and overdose deaths, it is important for workers to understand the risks and alternatives".

- The Center for Construction Education and Research (CPWR) has developed programs to help construction companies deal with the epidemic.

- You can find the information [here](#).

*(Disclaimer: ISHM has no relationship with CPWR and does not endorse their products. This is presented for info only).*
Free Training

Holding an accredited certification requires on-going education to stay current in your profession. There are many ways to earn re-certification points, none easier than a Webinar.

-Motor Safety Association is offering a webinar on Emergency Response Management FREE to ISHM certificate holders. Those who attend will receive a sample Emergency Planning Manual and a certificate of attendance which will document the training so you can claim the points on re-certification.

-You can register here.