

Bancroft Institute for Studies on Workers' Compensation and Work Injury

Research to Action Workshop: April 14 &15 2014

Keynote Speaker

Jeffrey Hilgert, PhD, School of Industrial Relations

Université de Montréal



Jeffrey Hilgert is the author of the book *Hazard or Hardship: Crafting Global Norms on the Right to Refuse Unsafe Work* (Cornell University Press, 2013), an in-depth examination of the right to refuse unsafe work as a human right. Prior to Université de Montréal, Hilgert spent several years as a labour rights and anti-poverty activist in Minnesota and is

the recipient of human rights awards, a Fulbright and an Archibald Bush fellowship for his efforts. He holds a Ph.D. in industrial and labour relations from Cornell University.

Topic: Has the WCB/WSIB Abandoned its Mandate?

Day 1: Monday April 14th 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Keynote: Jeffrey Hilgert, Université de Montréal Panel Discussion: Bonnie Heath (York University), Andy King (McMaster University), Ivana Petricone (ARCH Disability Law Centre), Eugene LeFrançios (Injured Worker) Hors D'Oeuvrese

Day 2: Tuesday April 15th 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Topic 1 Claims Adjudication: Laura Lunansky (Injured Workers' Consultants)

Topic 2 Experience Rating: Dave Wilken (Building Trades Workers' Services)

Topic 3 Surveillance: Maryth Yachnin (Industrial Accident Victims' Group of Ontario (IAVGO))

Discussion Circle: Sherree Backus (United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) Canada), Ron Ellis (Osgoode Hall Law School), Jeffrey Hilgert (Université de Montréal), Steve Mantis (Ontario Network of Injured Workers' Group (ONIWG)), Janice Sandomirsky (Fair Practices Commission)

Community Theatre Presentation Primer on Legal Terms: Andrew King Break Out Group Activity

Next Steps

Workshop Goals

- 1. To learn more about the situation presently faced by injured workers.
- 2. To identify possible legal challenges to the present direction in workers compensation in Ontario.
- 3. To identify what research we need on the subject.
- 4. To prepare to take action through the development of legal, public/media, and political strategies.

Registration Required

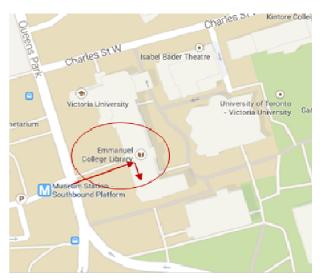
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The registration fee is \$125 for the waged, \$65 for students and free for the unwaged (tokens also provided for the unwaged). Please avoid wearing scents or fragrances when attending the workshop.

Workshop Locations

Day 1 (Monday Evening) Venue

Emmanuel College, University of Toronto EM302, 75 Queen's Park Crescent Toronto ON M5S 1K7



Day 2 (All Day Tuesday) Venue

Friends House

60 Lowther Avenue, Toronto, ON M5R 1C7

