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## NETWORK PARTNERS CREATE PESTICIDE EDUCATION RESOURCE FOR FARMWORKERS

The Migrant Clinicians Network (MCN) and Farm Safety 4 Just Kids have teamed up to produce a Spanish-language pesticide education resource booklet for farm workers is now available. Free copies can be ordered at <http://www.fs4jk.org/spanish/>. For more information, contact Farm Safety 4 Just Kids at 800-423-5437.

## FALLS IN AGRICULTURE

The latest statistics from the National Safety Council indicate that Falls in the Agricultural workplace rank number three in incident rates by industry:

Rate per 10,000 workers – for year 2000

Construction	67.5
Transportation and public utilities	54.9
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	45.1
Mining	40.4
Retail trade	35.6
Wholesale trade	30.2
Services	28.4
Manufacturing	25.0
Finances, insurance and real estate	14.9

Top 5 body parts affected – for year 2000

1. Back – 47,871
2. Knee – 43,994
3. Wrist – 15,887
4. Shoulder – 15,791
5. Head – 13,150

For more information contact the NSC Research and Statistics Department, 1-800-621-7615 extension 2322.

UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

The 2003 Agricultural Equipment Technology Conference will be held February 9-11, 2003 at the Hyatt Regency in Louisville, Kentucky.

The 6th Annual PNW Pesticide Issues Conference for Agricultural Safety and Health will be held February 26, 2003 at the Doubletree Hotel in Yakima, Washington. For more information visit the conference web site:

<http://depts.washington.edu/pnash/ceconference/index.html>

FUTURE MEETINGS OF INTEREST

The MAFO National Farm worker Conference will be held on April 14-17, 2003 in Miami, Florida.

The National Center for Injury Prevention and Control will sponsor a conference "Safety in Numbers--Working Together from Research into Practice" on April 28 and 29, 2003 at the Hyatt Regency in Atlanta, Georgia.

The 2003 American Industrial Hygiene Conference and Exposition (AIHCE) will be held in Dallas, Texas, during the week of May 10-15, 2003. A Call for Abstracts form and instructions to be used in the submission of abstracts can be found at <http://www.aiha.org/conf.html>.

THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR FARM SAFETY (NIFS) INVITES THE SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS for all Technical Paper presentations, Research In-Progress, Educational/ Informational program presentations, Posters and Educational displays for their 2003 summer meeting in Windsor, Ontario, Canada. The meeting will be held June 23-26, 2003 at the Hilton Windsor. The abstract deadline is JANUARY 17, 2003. For more information visit <http://www.ag.ohio-state.edu/~agsafety/NIFS/meetings03.htm>.

The Institute of Agricultural Rural and Environmental Health, University of Saskatchewan will sponsor the Fifth International Symposium, "Future of Rural Peoples: Rural Economy, Healthy People, Environment, Rural Communities." The symposium will be held October 19-23, 2003 at the Delta Bessborough Hotel in Saskatchewan, Canada. The abstract deadline is April 2, 2003. For more information visit <http://iareh.usask.ca>.

The 3rd National Occupational Injury Research Symposium (NOIRS 2003) will be held October 28-30, 2003 at the Sheraton Station Square in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Abstracts deadline is April 1, 2003 and can be submitted electronically to <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/noirmsmain.html>.

#### SAFETY OBSERVANCES CALENDAR

Visit <http://www.nsc.org/news/aware.htm> for contact information for each observance and a complete 2002 safety observance listing.

December 2002

"3D Month" - National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

<http://www.nhtsa.gov>

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