CEO ANNOUNCEMENT

New professional development initiatives from the SIA

Dear Colleagues,

The 2015 Member Survey made it very clear to us here at the Safety Institute of Australia that you, our Members, have some significant expectations in common. In particular, you called for a broader range of professional development programs and networking opportunities.

We heard you.

The team at our National Office have been working hard these past few months to deliver a raft of new initiatives to support you along your chosen health and safety career path. In this special edition of OHS Professional eNews, we are thrilled to announce the launch of two of these new programs: SIA Continuing Professional Development (CPD) and the SIA Mentoring Program.

For organisations that want to keep their employees up-to-date with the latest news and emerging issues in health and safety, our new Safety Connections subscription service is also now up and running.
Have a great week!

Kind Regards,

Dave Clarke

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**Step up your career with SIA Continuing Professional Development**

Do you need more structure and guidance in order to remain relevant and achieve your career goals? We have the solution for you in three words: Continuing Professional Development.

The SIA CPD program is a compulsory framework for all graded and certified Members, and all Vocationally Trained Members (VTMs). The ongoing maintenance of your grading, certification, or VTM status is contingent upon participation in SIA CPD.

The aim of our CPD program is to ensure that employers, clients, regulators and the community have confidence in the currency of the knowledge and skills of those who provide OHS advice and support. The SIA CPD program consists of a range of activities that are designed to extend and update knowledge, skills, business practices and judgement in your area(s) of practice.

Our CPD framework is carefully designed to empower you to maintain and improve your level of technical competence; to retain and advance your workplace effectiveness; and to become an influential leader in safety and health related matters.

To start participating in the SIA CPD program, log in to the Members Area [HERE](https://sia.org.au/news/newsletters/june-special-edition-ohs-professional).
SIA Mentoring Program: Call for Mentors

As safety professionals, we have a wealth of specialised knowledge. Some of that knowledge can be acquired independently; but certain skills, nuances and expertise require the hands-on practical experiences of our day-to-day working life.

Here at the Institute, we firmly believe that these insights must be passed on to the next generation, so that they can continue to build upon the vital body of occupational health and safety knowledge that protects Australian workers. For this reason, we have long been committed to delivering a mentoring program that brings together the experienced and knowledgeable with those who are eager to learn. This program is now nearing its official launch date and we are calling for expressions of interest from potential Mentors.

Are you a passionate health and safety professional, who would like to share your wealth of skills, knowledge and expertise with the emerging generation of safety professionals? We would love to hear from you.

To register your interest in becoming a Mentor, please CLICK HERE.

Please note: At this stage, we are only accepting Mentor registrations.

If you would like to be mentored, stay tuned. Once we have the Mentors in place, we will invite potential Mentees to register their interest in the program.

Keep your employees up-to-date with the latest OHS news

As you know, the Safety Institute of Australia produces two popular publications for our Members: the SIA quarterly OHS Professional Magazine (print) and the SIA fortnightly OHS Professional eNews (digital). Until now, these publications have been offered as an exclusive benefit of SIA Membership.
After several inquiries from people who want to get connected to news and emerging issues within OHS/WHS, but who don’t necessarily need full SIA membership, we are now offering a subscription option for the two publications.

The SIA Safety Connections subscription is an opportunity for:

- Individuals who want to get connected to news and emerging issues within OHS/WHS
- Organisations to sign up multiple staff, at a discounted group subscription price, to get connected to news and emerging issues within OHS/WHS.

For more information about Safety Connections, or to subscribe for OHS Professional Magazine and OHS Professional eNews, please visit our website HERE.

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