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## **Daniels Health Sponsors AOHP EXPO-S.T.O.P. ISC to Provide Survey Administration**

WARRENDALE, PA – The Association of Occupational Health Professionals in Healthcare (AOHP) is pleased to announce that [Daniels Health](#) is now the exclusive sponsor of AOHP’s highly-successful EXPO-S.T.O.P. (**EXPO**sure **SURVEY** of **TRENDS** in **OCCUPATIONAL PRACTICE**). EXPO-S.T.O.P. is an electronic survey designed to ascertain the incidence of sharps injuries and mucocutaneous blood exposures among healthcare workers in U.S. healthcare facilities.

Daniels, headquartered in Chicago, IL, entered the U.S. healthcare market in 2003 as the clinical alternative for medical waste management and disposal. The unrivaled expert in infection risk reduction, sharps and waste solutions, and with the second largest healthcare waste service infrastructure in the United States, Daniels will sponsor EXPO-S.T.O.P. initially for the 2020, 2021, and 2022 survey years.

“Daniels is a safety-focused company that is passionate about reducing the number of sharps-related injuries sustained by healthcare personnel,” explains AOHP Executive President Lydia Crutchfield, MA, BSN, RN, CLC. “AOHP is proud to partner with this industry leader that tirelessly innovates and advocates for safer medical waste management practices.”

Beginning with the 2020 survey, programming, data collection, and analysis for EXPO-S.T.O.P. will be provided by the International Safety Center (ISC) and powered by the Exposure Prevention Information Network (EPINet®). ISC is the global leader for occupational epidemiologic research to advocate for a safer healthcare workplace. Since 1992, ISC’s EPINet surveillance system has provided healthcare facilities with a standardized system for tracking occupational exposures that put healthcare staff at risk.

“Programming our survey into an EPINet format will promote ease of data collection and analysis, ensuring the influence and legacy of EXPO-S.T.O.P. for years to come,” Crutchfield continues. “Working in collaboration with ISC and Daniels, AOHP envisions a future where the public health burden of infection and illness caused by occupational exposures is significantly reduced. Even one exposure is one too many.”

EXPO-S.T.O.P., the largest annual survey of its kind conducted in the United States, was initiated in 2011. AOHP has published the survey results to provide healthcare facilities with up-to-date data on national exposure rates and trends to enable benchmarking and evidence-based decisions for their exposure-reduction strategies. The survey was created and co-authored by AOHP members Linda Good, PhD, RN, COHN-S, and Terry Grimmond, BAgrSc, GrDpAdEd&Tr. These two experts in the field are preparing to retire from the profession of occupational health in healthcare in the coming months. AOHP’s new partnerships with Daniels and ISC ensure their important work will continue.

The vision of AOHP – a national association representing thousands of healthcare workers – is to be the defining resource and leading advocate for occupational health and safety in healthcare. AOHP promotes health, safety, and well-being for healthcare workers through: advocating for employee health and safety;

occupational health education and networking opportunities; health and safety advancement through best practice and research; and partnering with employers, regulatory agencies, and related associations.

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