

NATIONAL NEWSLETTER



SEEKING ENTRIES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK 2008

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The CIPHI 2008 Environmental Public Health Week (EPHW) Committee is seeking photos from the membership to help celebrate **Environmental Public Health Week, January 14 - 20, 2008**. Photos must depict what Environmental Public Health Professions do on a daily bases. The image can either be 'real' or 'posed' for the camera. If your picture is selected it will become part of the Environmental Public Health Week 2008 poster.

In addition the EPHW Committee is willing to entertain poster submissions which portrays as many aspects of our profession as possible. It may be a single image or a combination of images and text. A slogan may be also inserted. Send us your creative thoughts!

All submissions become the property of CIPHI to possibly be used in other promotional and educational literature.

Please submit your winning entry/entries to newsletter@ciphi.ca no later than **Friday, November 16**.

Good luck!

Last year's photo winners



Sonia Singh, Ontario Branch



Phi Phan, Alberta Branch



Matt Ruf, Ontario Branch

CIPHI has a new mailing address. Check out the website at: WWW.CIPHI.CA

UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION



CIPHI's new mailing address and contact information effective October 23, 2007

**Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors
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Local Calling: 604-739-8180
Fax: 604-738-4080
Email: questions@ciphi.ca**

NEW ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT PROVIDER

I am very pleased to announce that the National Executive Council (NEC) of CIPHI has contracted the services of **MPS Executive Suites (MPS)**, an Association Management firm to manage the CIPHI office functions. MPS is a company that provides packaged offices as well as specializing in providing association management and office support services.

The knowledgeable and very professional staff at MPS will be providing a wide range of services for CIPHI including telephone answering, membership services, Board of Certification services, accounting and other administrative support services. CIPHI will benefit from the over 25 years of experience MPS has in association management and support services.

As with any transition there is a learning curve and I would ask for your patience and understanding while the staff at MPS come up to speed with the intricacies of CIPHI. If our experience to date has been an indication, it shouldn't take long! Please join me in welcoming Karline, Laura, Deserae, Dianne, Mikaela, Adele and the rest of the MPS staff!

You can reach the staff at MPS through their CIPHI e-mail address office@ciphi.ca.

Respectfully,

Claudia Kurzac
National President



THE STANIER INSTITUTE OPINION PAPER PROJECT

The Stanier Institute/Institut Stanier with support of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors invites practicing certified Public Health Inspectors to submit a feature opinion paper – in English or French – comprising ideas and suggestions that address any issue applied to the present day activities of Public Health Inspectors.

Who Can Enter?

The invitation is directed to Certified Public Health Inspectors across Canada who are members in good standing of CIPHI.

Award

The Stanier Institute will provide a \$1000 award (Stanier Prize) for the opinion paper assessed to be the most interesting and original submission.

Details

The submissions should be 1000 to 1500 words in length, typed double-spaced and sent by email as an attached plain text document to stanier@mco.ca or as a hard copy mailed or faxed to the Stanier Institute at the address given below. Opinion papers should be received at the Administration office of the Institute by no later than December 31, 2007.

Stanier Prize Awardees

Warren Boychuck, 2006
Allan Stirling, 2005
Adam Grant, 2004
Shawna Bourne, 2003

Objectives and Address

The Stanier Institute/Institut Stanier is a scientifically-minded group committed to development of the public health sciences. The aim is to provide ways and means to advance education and research in these disciplines. Those preparing to submit an essay should inform the Institute ASAP at the given address where further information may be obtained. A note will be sent to acknowledge all submissions upon receipt.

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The Stanier Institute/Institut Stanier reserves the right to alter contest details as conditions warrant.



BOC ORAL EXAM DISCUSSION PAPER RESULTS

PASSING MARK FOR THE ORAL EXAMINATION TO REMAIN AT 70%

In May 2007 a discussion paper was circulated by the Board of Certification (BOC) inviting comment on the pass rate of the Oral Examination. The BOC was seeking a response to the following questions:

1. Do you feel the oral exam mark should be decreased? Why or why not?
2. If yes, what do you want the pass mark to be?
3. Do you support candidates achieving excellence on the exam (i.e. > 80%) being recognized and if yes, how?

The paper was circulated to Branch Executives CIPHI, Exam Coordinators, employer groups, and recognized schools whose graduates are eligible for certification. These contacts were directed to circulate the paper to interested parties.

The response received to this paper was tremendous and far exceeded any numbers of responses the BOC has received on other issues in the past. The respondents were very clear on what they felt the exam mark should be, and more importantly, provided detailed rationale to back up their opinion. These details were considered by the BOC and due consideration was given to those respondents which were most impacted by candidates entering the field.

In addition, the majority of respondents went beyond the questions asked, and made many thoughtful comments on the exam process in general. These included support for the process as well as criticism of the BOC and its decision-making processes. Very much appreciated were all the suggestions as to how all components of the process could be improved as well as flagging issues of concern for future discussion and resolution.

Out of 123 responses, 85 were in favour of retaining the 70 % pass rate. The number of respondents in each group is found in the table below followed by a summary of the comments received. The comments shown in this report are those expressed by the majority of respondents in that category and therefore are considered to carry the most weight. (To view all comments received go to the Board of Certification website at www.ciphi.ca).

A few of the most common threads were:

- the need to review the practicum the practicum agencies and the school curriculums
- determining what success factors the candidates are missing
- CIPHI should not be lowering their standards but aim to obtain the most competent and qualified inspectors.



In addition, regardless of what pass grade respondents were in favour of, there was consensus that the CPHI (C) vacancy rate should not be a reason to lower the mark and that further review is necessary to determine why candidates are failing and focus efforts to take corrective action.

The BOC met with the National Executive CIPHI in Kelowna in June 2007 and discussed the results of the discussion paper. Both bodies agreed that:

- a) The membership had clearly indicated their preference to retain the 70% mark and that this should be upheld, and
- b) The BOC needs to continue to review the examination process overtime and take measures to ensure the exam is fair and consistently applied across Canada.

There was very little support for recognizing higher-ranking exam candidates and this will not be pursued by the BOC.

The BOC wishes to thank all of those who took the time to respond to this issue and encourages your ongoing participation in assisting CIPHI promote and create a workforce of competent and professional individuals.

Ann Thomas, Chair
Board of Certification



SUMMARY OF RESPONSES TO PASSING MARK DISCUSSION PAPER
June 2007

DIRECTORS/ MANAGERS	Total #	70%	65%	Other	No Preference
BC	7	3	3	1 (60%)	
AB	4	1	2		1
ON					
SK	2		1		1
NB					
NS/PEI					
NFLD	1	1			
MB					
TOTAL	14	5	6	1	2
EXAM COORDINATORS/ EXAMINERS*	Total #	70%	65%	Other	No preference
BC	7	7			
AB	3	1	1		1
ON	5	4	1		
SK	1		1		
NB	1		1		
NS/PEI	2		1		1
NFLD	1	1			
MB	1	1			
TOTAL	21	14	5		2
CIPHI BRANCH EXECUTIVES	Total #	70%	65%	Other	No preference
BC	1	1			
AB	1	1			
ON	1	1			
SK	1	1			
NB	1		1		
NS/PEI	1	1			
NFLD	1	1			
MB	1	1			
TOTAL	8	7	1		

* NOT ALL RESPONDENTS MAY HAVE IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES AS EXAMINERS



SCHOOL PROGRAM HEADS	Total #	70%	65%	Other	No preference
Ryerson	1			60%	
BCIT	1		1		
CBU	1		1		
Concordia	1	1			
TOTAL	4	1	2	1	

EHO'S	Total #	70%	65%	Other	No preference
BC	13	11	1		2
AB	28	24	2	1 (60%)	1
ON	16	9	3	3 (60%)	
SK	5	4	1		
NB					
NS/PEI	3	3			
NFLD	4	2	2		
MB					
NWT	1	1			
TOTAL	70	54	9	4	3
SENIOR EHO/ SPECIALISTS	Total #	70%	65%	Other	No preference
BC	2	1			1
AB	2	2			
ON	2	1		1 (80%)	
SK					
NB					
NS/PEI					
NFLD					
TOTAL	6	4		1	1
OVERALL TOTAL RESPONSES	123	85	23	7	8



Directors and Managers

65%	<p>Should look at quality / structure / length of practicums as the true issue for high failure rate</p> <p>Consultant report recommended 65%</p> <p>Would support 65% but better if 60% - workout changes to exam and after 3 to 4 years raise the mark</p>
70%	70% to maintain professional integrity whether PHI's are in short supply or not
No Preference	Major flaw of BOC is to fail to connect with stakeholders – health units and schools
Other	<p>Supports 75% - and CanMeds structure for oral exam process</p> <p>Shouldn't be fully certified until after one year in the field</p> <p>Suggest allowing candidates who failed reports to be able to resubmit at any time and have them marked rather than just at exam time.</p>

Branches

65%	<p>Membership should accept the failure rate and understand it as part of 'growing pains'</p> <p>Branches need to take responsibility of ensuring proper field training to prepare for the exam process</p>
70%	<p>Twelve weeks practicum training is not long enough nor is it properly controlled for consistency – this is a critical factor</p> <p>This is an acceptable pass rate</p> <p>The high demand for certified PHI's shouldn't be the factor to lowering the pass mark</p> <p>Most candidates are not well prepared on how to used their education in a real-life scenario</p> <p>All components of the certification process should be reviewed. It is too premature to make changes (i.e., practicum, schooling, academic achievement)</p> <p>The basis upon which the initial decision to raise the mark was a solid one. The old 60% is too low a standard to strive for in this day-and-age of advanced education and evolving EPH field</p>



EHO Specialists & Examiners

<p>65%</p>	<p>Consultant report supports lowering the mark</p> <p>Exam questions were fair, however, maybe too many questions – consider reducing the number of questions</p> <p>Practicum time is not enough</p> <p>Decrease the mark as we need more inspectors across the country</p>
<p>70%</p>	<p>If the mark is lowered we would be fostering a profession of mediocrity. We want the most competent PHI's who have made a commitment to the profession</p> <p>If a candidate cannot get at least 70% on an exam, that they should have prepared for at length and that was well thought out by the examiners, they are unlikely to be well prepared to work in the field, Ours is a profession in which individuals must be able to think and reason through a wide variety of situations, a process which in my experience the oral exam is designed to mimic. It is the 'reasoning process', which allows us to be effective.</p> <p>The exam process is new, consistent and fair</p> <p>Decreasing the mark will devalue and erode the quality of EHO's</p> <p>The BOC spent time and effort getting to a decision – it was not just dreamed up</p> <p>If a workforce of more competent professionals is the objective more efforts should be directed towards continuing education and competency initiatives (experience is a great teacher)</p> <p>There seems to be a failure in the system somewhere – is it the educational institutions, practicum, exam performance, or individuals competence level</p> <p>Would suggest the oral exam format has serious limitations (i.e., especially if prompting is not allowed)</p> <p>Students tend to lack intangible skills like conversation, conflict-resolution, time management and general professionalism</p> <p>The flip side of not filling vacant positions is filling them with under-qualified personnel</p> <p>Reducing the passing grade is another quick fix that will not encourage review of other factors affecting proficiency</p> <p>More explicit practicum expectations / improved QA and QC in practicum provision (provincial/national auditor/coordinators) / CPHI resource person for practicum coordinators and students</p> <p>Not out of line with other institutions</p> <p>Profession should strive for excellence</p> <p>Would rather see vacancies than low quality inspectors</p>



	<p>Candidates seem to have the knowledge but can't apply it to given situations</p> <p>The allegiance should be to the profession not the perspective employer</p> <p>Maintain standard – high status is reflected</p> <p>Felt exam questions were reasonable on April exam</p> <p>Failure rate will decline over time – stay where we are</p>
No Preference	<p>Recommend another review of the exam process by an outside body</p>
Other	<p>Should be an average mark of oral and report mark with no single mark lower than 75%</p> <p>Should sit at 2 locations only – East and West – to make it a true national exam. All candidates across the country would get the same questions.</p>

Schools

60%	<p>Should not amend mark due to vacancies</p> <p>Need to determine whether candidates are receiving the proper academic skills</p> <p>Review all parts of the certification system and then review the passing mark</p>
65%	<p>Recommended using the pass rate the consultant recommended as this may bring the failure rate more in line with past rates</p>
70%	<p>Exam results should be a challenge that reflects the professionalism that CIPHI is trying to achieve. This gives confidence to the public that these candidates are professional.</p> <p>Lowering the examination grade rewards the weaker candidate and punishes those who are focused and ready to be professionals. A moral issue that could have lasting implications.</p> <p>Should have a professional review of the entire process – expert review, analysis and recommendations – please consider springing some dollars on a thorough evaluation in the national context</p> <p>BOC should consider centralizing exams rather than holding them in every province.</p>



EHO's across Canada

<p>70%</p>	<p>To lower the pass grade in order to accommodate the demands of the employer would be detrimental in the long term. We argue we are professionals, we have a certification board, we have set high standards for our profession and we aspire to be recognized as such.</p> <p>Increase time and improve field training (multiple responses like this)</p> <p>If the mark were lowered we would be fostering a profession of mediocrity. We want the most competent PHI's who have made a commitment to the profession</p> <p>BOC to evaluate practicum agencies</p> <p>Too soon to change back: Wait and see – may be a 'blip' – anomaly</p> <p>Sense of entitlement with many university students about their educational experience</p> <p>Improvement should be focused on improving exam not lowering the mark</p> <p>Ours is a profession in which individuals must be able to think and reason through a wide variety of situations,</p>
<p>General Comments</p>	<p>Has the 'fast-tracking' program caused an issue</p> <p>What are the schools teaching</p> <p>Re-examinations should be offered more frequently along with more feedback on where they did poorly</p> <p>I would prefer to have a higher pass mark (even 80% or more) then if we need to we can adjust the questions of the exam to make them easier, or explain the scenario's better.</p>

To view all comments received go to the Board of Certification website at www.ciphi.ca



CIPHI PHOTO CONTEST

The National Newsletter is having a photo contest. Send us your good, bad or ugly environmental public health photos. Categories are food, water, air and environment (e.g. pools, housing, personal services, waste management and communicable disease). At the end of the year, if your picture is chosen by the Newsletter staff, you may win the dubious honor of having the **Photo of the Year**. Please include your name, the Branch you belong to, photo credits, category, caption (optional) and any brief commentary you wish to provide. E-mail your photos to: newsletter@ciphi.ca. Good luck!



Cindy Watson, BC Branch

Tranquility

An Environmental Public Health professional conducting an inspection of a small water works system servicing a small lodge/resort on the shore of Lillooet Lake, B.C.

Camper in the city without running water



Usefulness of duct tape suggestion #100125



.... Follow the pipe



Surprised?



CIPHI MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE

In November, your 2008 CIPHI membership renewal application will arrive in the mail. Your support of CIPHI is appreciated and contributes to a strong National voice for the Environmental Public Health Profession.

At the CIPHI Annual General Meeting in Kelowna last June, a National membership dues increase was approved by the membership effective the 2008 membership year. This dues increase is needed to help support CIPHI activities related to the competencies project.

There appears to be some confusion around this dues increase. All regular membership dues include a National portion and a Branch portion. This increase applies to the National portion of the membership dues. By way of an explanation, please see the table below for a breakdown of the membership dues.

Branch	2007			2008		
	National	Branch	Total	National	Branch	Total
BC	75.00	70.00	145.00	105.00	70.00 ¹	175.00
AB	75.00	50.00	125.00	105.00	50.00	155.00
SK	75.00	50.00	125.00	105.00	50.00	155.00
MB	75.00	50.00	125.00	105.00	50.00	155.00
ON	75.00	50.00	125.00	105.00	50.00	155.00
QE	75.00	N/A	75.00	105.00	N/A	105.00
NB	75.00	50.00	125.00	105.00	50.00	155.00
NS/PEI	75.00	25.00	100.00	105.00	45.00 ²	150.00
NL	75.00	25.00	100.00	105.00	25.00	130.00
Student	30.00	N/A	30.00	50.00	N/A	50.00
Retired	30.00	N/A	30.00	50.00	N/A	50.00
Fraternal	90.00	N/A	90.00	120.00	N/A	120.00
International	75.00	N/A	75.00	105.00	N/A	105.00
Associate	100.00	N/A	100.00	130.00	N/A	130.00

¹ BC Branch dues include a \$25.00 fee to fund registration activities.

² Please note if you are a Nova Scotia/PEI Branch member, there is also a Branch dues increase for 2008 of \$20.00.

CIPHI will be working with individuals who currently are using payroll deduction as a membership dues payment method to ensure a smooth transition.

Please contact your Branch President if you have any questions regarding this membership dues increase.

Claudia Kurzac
National President





Membership/Renewal Application Form 2008

I hereby make application for Membership (see list below) in the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors. This application implies that membership is to continue until resignation is tendered, or until membership is discontinued under the conditions contained in the By-laws of the Institute. (Complete sections with a " " only, unless information has changed.)

* Name: _____ * Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____
Sumame First Middle (For identification purposes) Day Month Year

Home Address: _____
street City Province Postal Code

Phone #: _____ / _____ E-mail address: _____
Area Code

Work Phone #: _____ / _____ Fax #: _____ / _____ E-mail address: _____
Area Code Area Code

Present Employer: _____
Agency Street Address

Employer Address: _____
City/Town Province Postal Code

C.P.H.I.(C) Certificate #: _____ Year Issued: _____ How many years have you been a member of CIPHI? _____

Code of Ethics - As a Member of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors, I acknowledge:

That I have an obligation to the sciences and arts for the advancement of Public Health. I will uphold the standards of my profession, continually search for truths, and disseminate my findings; and I will strive to keep myself fully informed of the developments in the field of Public Health.

That I have an obligation to the Public whose trust I hold and I will endeavour, to the best of my ability, to guard their interests honestly and wisely. I will be loyal to the profession and Institute to which I belong.

That the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of health is one of the fundamental rights of every human being without distinction of race, religion, political belief, economic or social condition.

That being loyal to my profession, I will uphold the Constitution and By-Laws of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors and will, at all times, conduct myself in a manner worthy of my profession.

My signature hereon constitutes a realization of my personal responsibility to actively discharge these obligations."

* Signature: _____ * Date: _____

• Please check the type of membership you require:

- Regular (see below) Student \$50.00 Retired \$50.00 Fraternal \$120.00 International \$105.00 Associate \$130.00

* Please circle branch you wish to belong to below: (Note: Province in which you reside unless you live in Northwest Territories, Nunavut, Yukon or outside Canada)

"By checking this box, the applicant/undersigned does not give permission for the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors to provide his/her name and contact information to corporate/affiliate members of the Institute."

British Columbia	Alberta	Saskatchewan	Manitoba	Ontario	Quebec	New Brunswick	Nova Scotia/PEI	Nfld/ Labrador
\$175.00	\$155.00	\$155.00	\$155.00	\$155.00	\$105.00	\$155.00	\$150.00	\$130.00

(Includes Registration)

* Payment is made by:

- Cheque
 Money Order
 Employer (cheque attached)
 Payroll Deduction
 Spousal (2 PHIs/home)

- send forms together & deduct \$30 for one person, only one E.H.R. subscription will be received.

Credit Card: Visa MasterCard American Express
 Number on Card: _____ / _____ / _____ / _____
 Expiry Date: ____ / ____
 Name on Card: _____
 Signature: _____

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Par la présente, je fais une demande d'adhésion (voir ci-dessous) à l'Institut canadien des inspecteurs en santé publique. Cette demande sous-entend que l'adhésion se continue jusqu'à ce qu'une résignation soit offerte, ou jusqu'à ce que l'adhésion cesse en vertu des conditions contenues dans les arrêtés de l'Institut. **(Complétez les sections avec un "X" seulement, à moins que l'information ait changé.)**

* Nom: _____ * Date de naissance: _____ / _____ / _____
Nom de famille Prénoms Jour Mois Année

Adresse à domicile: _____
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Employeur actuel: _____
Agence Rue

Adresse de l'employeur: _____ Code Postal: _____
Ville Province

No. du certificat CIPHI _____ Année de délivrance _____ Depuis combien d'années êtes-vous membre de CIPHI? _____ *

Code de déontologie: Comme membre de l'Institut canadien des inspecteurs en santé publique, je reconnais:

Que j'ai une obligation envers les sciences et les arts pour l'avancement de la santé publique. Je soutiendrai les normes de ma profession, chercherai continuellement la vérité et disséminerai les résultats de mes recherches. Je m'efforcerai de me maintenir complètement informé des développements dans le domaine de la santé publique.

Que j'ai une obligation envers le public dont j'ai la confiance et je m'efforcerai dans la mesure de mes moyens, de protéger leurs intérêts d'une manière juste et honnête. Je serai fidèle à la profession et à l'Institut dont je suis membre.

Que l'atteinte de normes élevées en santé est un des droits fondamentaux de l'homme sans distinction de race, de religion, de croyance politique et de conditions économiques et sociales.

Qu'étant dévoué à ma profession, je soutiendrai la constitution et les arrêtés de l'Institut canadien des inspecteurs en santé publique et me conduirai, en tout temps, d'une manière honorable face à ma profession.

Ma signature ci dessous m'engage à être personnellement responsable de m'acquitter activement de ces obligations.

* Signature: _____ * Date: _____

* Indiquez, s.v.p., le genre d'adhésion que vous désirez:

- Régulier (voir ci-dessous)
 Etudiant \$50.00
 Retraité \$50.00
 Fraternel \$120.00
 International \$105.00
 Associé \$130.00

* Veuillez encrer la section que vous désirez joindre: *(Province dans laquelle vous résidez à moins que vous viviez dans les Territoires du Nord-Ouest, le Nunavut, le Yukon ou l'extérieur Canada)*

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British Columbia	Alberta	Saskatchewan	Manitoba	Ontario	Quebec	New Brunswick	Nova Scotia/PEI	Nfld/ Labrador
\$175.00	\$155.00	\$155.00	\$155.00	\$155.00	\$105.00	\$155.00	\$150.00	\$130.00

(avec Registration)

* Paiement fait par:

- Chèque
 Mandat
 Par votre employeur (chèque ci-inclus)
 Prélèvement sur le salaire
 Époux/Épouses (2 inspecteurs/domicile):

Carte du Credit: Visa MasterCard American Express

Numero sur la carte: _____ / _____ / _____ / _____

Date d'expiration: ____ / ____

Nom sur la carte: _____

Signature: _____

- Veuillez retourner le formulaire. Vous pouvez faire demande pour un rabais de 30 \$ pour l'un des membres. (À noter: seulement un abonnement du "E.H.R." sera disponible).

Faites le chèque à l'ordre de CIPHI et envoyez votre formulaire à:
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The National Executive Council has the authority to provide general direction respecting the content of the Newsletter and in consultation with the Editor, to set policies regarding administrative matters of each issue. The Editor shall have the general authority to select material for publication in the Newsletter.

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The Newsletter is only produced in an electronic format and is distributed to the membership through their respective Branch President or designate.

BOC MOCK ORALS



The Board of Certification (BOC) has recently released the document titled Board of Certification Guidelines for Mock Orals. The information provided is based on the procedures use for the examination of candidate at the BOC oral exam. The guideline is for use by agencies that are offering mock oral exams to candidates who are preparing to sit the oral exam. The information has been categories in to several sections listed as preparing for the exam, the exam process, scoring the exam, feedback to candidates, examples of the question format and the exam panel chair instruction to the candidates. If you would like a copy of the Guideline go to the CIPHI website at <http://www.ciphi.ca/boc.htm> to download a copy.



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