

SDS and Label First Aid Questions and Answers

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Presenter biography

Jessie Callaghan, Senior Technical Specialist-Chemical Services at CCOHS began her career as a research assistant when WHMIS was emerging in the chemical industry. At that time, she developed a keen interest in best practices for first aid for chemical exposures.

In 1984, Jessie joined the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS). Her work at CCOHS focuses on evaluating the health effects of workplace chemical exposures and best practices regarding first aid. Jessie is the author of the popular CCOHS publication *The Safety Data Sheet: A Guide to First-Aid Recommendations*. She also provides expertise on for such projects as chemical hazard assessments, material safety data sheets plus GHS and WHMIS Classification issues.

Jessie holds a Bachelor of Health Sciences from the University of Waterloo.

Presentation abstract

At the Society for Chemical Hazard Communication (SCHC) Spring 2014 meeting, members were asked to give their top three questions on SDS and label first aid topics. Members responded with questions in four key topic areas: induction of vomiting for ingestion exposures, flush/rinse duration for skin/eye contact, the GHS reference to supplemental first aid instructions and first aid advice for non-hazardous products.

Join CCOHS' Jessie Callaghan, Senior Technical Specialist-Chemical Services, as she reveals answers to your specific SDS and label first aid questions based on review of the most up-to-date and credible scientific evidence available.