

**Occupational Health  
Library Resources  
In The GTA**



# **PREVENTION through INTERVENTION**

The **Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers Inc. (OHCOW)** was set up to help:

- prevent work related illnesses and injuries
- improve workers' physical, mental and social well-being

OHCOW can tell you about things in your workplace that can make you sick or injured. We also provide reliable medical, hygiene, ergonomic and health information. And we can tell you how to make changes to your workplace to avoid illness and injury in the future. The clinics' services are free of charge to the workplace parties.

## ***MISSION STATEMENT***

*The mission of the Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers Inc. (OHCOW) is to prevent occupational illness and injuries, and to promote the highest degree of physical, mental and social well-being of all workers.*

*We strive to accomplish this through the identification of workplace factors which are detrimental to the health and well-being of workers; through the distribution of excellent occupational, health, hygiene and ergonomic information to increase knowledge among workers, employers and the general public; and through the provision of services designed to produce changes to improve workplaces and the health of workers.*

### ***Acknowledgements:***

*Information collected by Stephanie Gunther  
Designed by Judy Chow, CMS  
January 2000*

<p><b>Organization:</b> <b>Canadian Auto Workers (CAW)</b> <b>Canada</b></p> <p><b>Contact Person:</b> Cathy Walker Director of Health and Safety</p>	<p><b>Address:</b> 205 Placer Court Willowdale, ON, M2H 3H9</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> (416) 497-4110</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> (416) 495-6559</p> <p><b>Website:</b> (General) <a href="mailto:caw@caw.ca">caw@caw.ca</a> (Health and Safety) <a href="mailto:cawhse@caw.ca">cawhse@caw.ca</a></p>
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**Collection:**

• Material at the CAW library goes back to the 1980's, and the library makes an effort to keep its material up-to-date. The library has some information in the area of occupational health and safety. Other areas that are covered to a lesser degree are community health, legal documents and medical perspective. In terms of the area of occupational health and safety, the collection's main strength is hazardous substances. However, it should be pointed out that the whole occupational health and safety area is located as a sub-collection within a larger library; it is not the primary focus of the CAW library.

**Accessibility:**

• The CAW library does not have vertical files; they are kept and maintained by a different department, the CAW's Health and Safety department.

• Information at the CAW library is available to other organizations/libraries by appointment only. It is not possible to view information from the library over the Internet.

**Borrowing Policies:**

• The CAW library loans material on an Interlibrary loan basis, but does not loan sensitive or archival materials.

**Holding Policies:** N/A

**Organization:**  
**Gerstein Science Information Centre**  
**University of Toronto Libraries**

**Contact Person:**  
Anyone at the phone number listed above can help with research.

**Address:** 7 King's College Circle  
Toronto, ON, M5S 1A5

**Phone:** (416) 978-2280

**Fax:** (416) 971-2848

**Website:**  
<http://www.library.utoronto.ca/gerstein/>

**Collection:**

- The Gerstein Science Information Centre collects material in all areas of science. The collection contains materials that date back as far as the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The Gerstein collection is updated regularly. At present time, it includes approximately 3000 current print journal subscriptions. The strength of the collection is its extensive medical collection.
- The collection has a large collection of journals, most of which are indexed.

**Accessibility:**

- Most journals in the collection are indexed in one or more indexing databases, many of which are available online. The journals do not have separate listings from the rest of the collection. In order to search for a particular journal title, one has to search the catalogue, UTCAT, at: <http://www.library.utoronto.ca>.
- It is not possible to view full texts/articles over the Internet unless you are a member of the University of Toronto Faculty, staff, or student community.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- The information at the Gerstein Centre is available to the public. The public is required to purchase a Research Reader card in order to borrow from the collection. The cards cost \$100.00 per annum.
- The library participates in the Interlibrary loan program.

**Holding Policies:**

- The library holds on to items, does not discard them over time.

<b>Organization:</b> <b>Industrial Accident Prevention Association (IAPA)</b>	<b>Address:</b> 250 Yonge Street, 28 <sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON, M5B 2N4
<b>Contact Person:</b> Speak to Information Centre staff person on reference duty	<b>Phone:</b> (416) 506-8888 1-800-669-4939
	<b>Fax:</b> (416) 924-2472

**Collection:**

- The collection at the IAPA Information Centre goes back to the 1960's, with the bulk of the material stemming from the 1980's and 1990's. The Centre makes an effort to remain up-to-date. The strongest area of the collection is occupational health and safety. The collection also includes legal information, medical information and some information related to public health and community health.
- The Centre has a collection of indexed journals and a collection of vertical files. The vertical files are subject files on occupational health and safety; they serve as an overview of the subject areas. The files are kept updated by subject specialists.

**Accessibility:**

- Information at the Centre is available to other organizations/libraries by appointment, telephone or email contact. It is not possible to view full articles/text over the Internet.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- Material from the Centre can be borrowed on an Interlibrary loan basis.

**Holding Policies:**

- The holding policy varies from document to document.

<b>Organization:</b> <b>Industrial Accident Victims Group of Ontario (IAVGO)</b>	<b>Address:</b> 489 College Street, Suite 203 Toronto, ON, M6G 1A5
<b>Contact Person:</b> Mary Di Nucci or Lucy Mualim	<b>Phone:</b> (416) 924-6477 <b>Fax:</b> (416) 924-2472

**Collection:**

- IAVGO was established in 1975. Information in their library dates back to this time. IAVGO's staff makes an effort to stay up-to-date with Worker's Issues by attending training sessions, meetings and union events. Any relevant information that is gathered at these sessions is brought to the library and added to the collection.
- The collection includes information about occupational health and safety, as well as some legal documents. The strengths of the collection are in legislation/policies. The areas of public health, community health, and medical perspective are not covered.
- The library has vertical files that are managed by a staff member.
- The journals at the IAVGO library are not indexed.

**Accessibility:**

- Information from IAVGO's library is available for other organizations. IAVGO does not have a web-site, and it is not possible to view articles/text over the Internet.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- IAVGO is a resource clinic. People are welcome to use the library, but books cannot be removed from the library; photocopies can be made, at no charge, if the person works for a not-for-profit organization. Also, an appointment must be made before coming in to use the library.

**Holding Policies:** N/A

**Organization:**  
**Injured Workers Consultants**

**Contact Person:**  
Marion Endicott has overall library responsibility, but anyone in the clinic can be contacted.

**Address:** 815 Danforth Avenue, Suite 411  
Toronto, ON, M4J 1L2

**Phone:** (416) 461-2411

**Fax:** (416) 461-2411

**Website:** [www.injuredworkers.org](http://www.injuredworkers.org)

**Collection:**

- The library material at the Injured Workers Consultants goes back to approximately 1975, and staff work hard to keep the collection up-to-date.
- The collection’s main area of focus is worker’s compensation. The areas of public health and community health are covered minimally. In the medical area the collection has information based on the perspective of proving medical basis for compensability of conditions.
- The strength of the collection is the area of worker’s compensation; both legal and medical perspectives are covered. The collection has less of a focus on the overall area of occupational health and safety, it includes little material on issues such as injury prevention, job-specific hazards etc.
- The library has a collection of indexed journals. There is no list of these journals on file at present time.
- The library also has a collection of vertical files. One staff member has the overall responsibility of managing the files, and other staff members add any relevant information that they come across to them.

**Accessibility:**

- Information from the library is available to other organizations for on-site viewing. Visit should be arranged ahead of time. It is not possible to view full articles/text over the Internet.
- There is no staff member available at Injured Worker’s Consultants who can send the information out. Photocopying can be done at Injured Workers Consultants free of charge, assuming that the document in question is not too bulky.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- The library does not lend information (some exceptions can be made).

**Holding Policies:** N/A

<p><b>Organization:</b>  <b>Institute for Work and Health</b>  <b>(IWH)</b></p> <p><b>Contact Person:</b>  Emma Irvin (after July 2000):  <a href="mailto:eirvin@iwh.on.ca">eirvin@iwh.on.ca</a></p>	<p><b>Address:</b> 250 Bloor Street East, Suite 702  Toronto, ON, M4W 1E6</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> (416) 927-2027</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> (416) 927-4167</p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.iwh.on.ca">www.iwh.on.ca</a></p>
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### Collection:

- The Institute for Work and Health's library covers information in the areas of occupational health and safety, public health, as well as some coverage of community health and information about legislation relating to work and health.
- The collection is very focused on the subject areas that are related to the Institute's research mandate. The library does not make a concentrated effort to collect material that does not relate to their research. The library makes an effort to stay up-to-date within the scope of its subject area.
- The library has a collection of journals dating back to the early 1990's. The Institute does not have an in-house index of these journals; they are indexed in commercially published databases.
- The library also has a collection of vertical files that are organized by subject.

### Accessibility:

- The information at the library is available to libraries of the Institute's collaborators on an interlibrary loan basis. Members of the public can use the collection at the discretion of the librarian and her availability. It is not possible to view full articles/text over the Internet. If OHCOW wanted an article from the vertical files they should contact the Institute. There is no cost structure in place for these services at this point in time.

### Borrowing Policies:

- Only the Institute's collaborators can borrow information from the library, other institutions and members of the public are not able to borrow information.

### Holding Policies:

- The library's holding policy relates directly to the Institute's research mandate. The goal of the library is to build and maintain a collection that supports the Institute's research.

**Organization:**  
**Lakeshore Area Multiservice Project**  
**(LAMP)**

**Contact Person:**

Administration Assistants:  
Lee Ciupa, Therese Stuart  
*Coordinator:* Ed Turalinski

**Address:** 185 Fifth Street  
Toronto, ON, M8V 2Z5

**Phone:** (416) 252-6471

**Fax:** (416) 252-4474

**Website:**

<http://www.lefca.com/lampchc>

**Collection:**

- The LAMP library collection goes back as far as the early/mid 1980's when the program started up. Although staff at LAMP would very much like to stay up to date with the collection, physical, financial and time restrictions have left it very out-of date.
- The areas of occupational health and safety, public health, community health, legal documents and medical perspectives are all covered to varying degrees. The main focus of the collection is on medical texts, and files on hazards, industries and disease. Unfortunately, many of the files are out of date, and funding is low for the purchase of publications.
- The main strength of the collection is that the physicians that work at LAMP act as resources for the collection. They have access to other libraries, and with information that they find there, and their own knowledge, they give guidance for searches to the other LAMP staff members.
- Vertical files at LAMP are out of date in a lot of cases for the same reasons mentioned previously. However, LAMP staff still finds that some of the older information is useful. Journal articles are added to the files as they come across the desk at LAMP.
- Some of the journals that are at LAMP are: American Journal of Industrial Medicine (1993/1994), American Journal of Public Health (1993), National Fire Protection Association–NFPA (1998/1999) and PHERO, Ministry of Health.

**Accessibility:**

- LAMP is happy to assist other organizations in whatever way that they can. Anyone can come in and look for information.
- LAMP accesses abstracts off of the Internet via: Lonesome Doc, Medline, and CISTI. Full texts are ordered from CISTI or the University of Toronto Library.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- Most information at LAMP is available for borrowing.

**Holding Policies:**

- There is no holding policy on books.

<b>Organization:</b> <b>North York Central Library- Science and Technology Department</b>	<b>Address:</b> 5120 Yonge Street, 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor (legal documents: Fourth Floor) North York, ON, M2N 5N9
<b>Contact Person:</b> Carolyn Johnson	<b>Phone:</b> Main library number: (416) 395-5535 Contact person: (416) 395-5654
	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.tpl.toronto.on.ca">www.tpl.toronto.on.ca</a>

**Collection:**

- The Central Library’s collection is a public library collection that is intended for consumer health information. There is little depth of information for professionals working in the area. The collection includes information about occupational health and safety, and limited amounts of information about public health. Legal documents are found in a different department.
- The library is intended to be a current collection and makes an effort to stay up-to-date.
- The collection includes indexed journals that can be found in several indexes including General Science Abstracts, Health Reference Center etc. A list of these journals can be obtained through the public catalogue.
- The collection also has vertical files that are managed by a librarian who collects relevant material and keeps them up-to-date.

**Accessibility:**

- The library’s catalogue is online, except for the vertical files. Most online sites are available through the library’s online catalogue and are not yet available outside of the library.
- It costs nothing to sign something out; photocopying costs 20 cents per page.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- In order to borrow information from the library, a library card is required. The items must be circulating; i.e. not reference material.

**Holding Policies:** N/A

<b>Organization:</b> <b>North York General Hospital</b> <b>W. Keith Welsh Library</b>  <b>Contact Person:</b> Elaine Bernstein, Library Director: <a href="mailto:ebernste@nygh.on.ca">ebernste@nygh.on.ca</a>	<b>Address:</b> 4001 Leslie Street Toronto, ON, M2K 1E1 <b>Phone:</b> (Library main number) (416) 756-6143 (Contact person) (416) 756-6142 <b>Fax:</b> (416) 756-6605  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.nygh.on.ca/library/index.htm">www.nygh.on.ca/library/index.htm</a>
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**Collection:**

- The collection at the library at the North York General Hospital focuses primarily on the area of the medical perspective. The main strengths of the collection are books and journals in clinical medicine and nursing. The collection goes back over the last 10 years for books; journals go back over the last 3-5 years. The library makes an effort to keep the collection up-to-date by reviewing items annually. During these reviews items in the collection are checked for currency and relevance.
- The collection of journals is indexed, most journals can be found in the following databases: Medline, Cinahl, Healthstar. A list of the collection's journals can also be seen at on the following web-site: [www.nygh.on.ca/library/journals.htm](http://www.nygh.on.ca/library/journals.htm)
- The library does not have a collection of vertical files.

**Accessibility:**

- The library has interlibrary loan agreements with members of the Toronto Health Libraries Association (THLA) and the Health Science Information Consortium of Toronto.
- It is possible to view full articles/text over the Internet through links that are provided from the journal section of the web site mentioned above.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- The library provides interlibrary loan copies, journal articles to Consortium Libraries. All other organizations are charged \$10.00 per article.

**Holding Policies:** N/A

<b>Organization:</b> <b>Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers Inc.</b>	<b>Address:</b> 15 Gervais Drive, Suite 308 Don Mills, ON, M3C 1Y8
<b>Contact Person:</b> Andrew King, Executive Director <a href="mailto:aking@ohcow.on.ca">aking@ohcow.on.ca</a>	<b>Phone:</b> (416) 449-0009 1-888-596-3800
	<b>Fax:</b> (416) 449-7772
	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.ohcow.on.ca">www.ohcow.on.ca</a>

**Collection:**

- The OHCOW collection consists of journals and texts relating to Occupational Health, Safety and Environment since 1989.
- The collection's main focus is occupational medicine, industrial hygiene and ergonomics.
- The collection also includes legal, medical and some public and community health information.
- Some journals include: State of the Art Reviews, American Journal of Industrial Medicine, Occupational and Environmental Medicine, CCOHS Info Discs and Applied Occupational and Environmental Hygiene.

**Accessibility:**

- Information is available to the public by contacting OHCOW staff.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- Material from OHCOW can be photocopied. OHCOW does not lend out information.

**Holding Policies:** N/A

<p><b>Organization:</b> <b>Ontario Workplace Tribunals Library</b></p> <p><b>Contact Person:</b> Felicity Fowke <a href="mailto:fowke@wst.gov.on.ca">fowke@wst.gov.on.ca</a></p>	<p><b>Address:</b> 505 University Avenue 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Toronto, ON, M5G 2P2</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> (416) 314-7000</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> (416) 326-3558</p>
<p><b>Collection:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The collection of the Ontario Workplace Tribunals Library covers the areas of occupational health and safety, legal documents and medical perspective. The areas that are covered in the greatest detail are labour relations, employment law, workers compensation, pay equity and human rights. The occupational health and safety area is not a major focus of the collection. Most areas covered in the collection date back as far as the 1980's, the area of labour relation goes back to the 1940's. The library makes an effort to stay up-to-date.</li><li>• The collection includes indexed journals and vertical files. The vertical files are indexed in a computer database. Information is kept on hard copy and is eventually transferred to microfiche.</li></ul> <p><b>Accessibility:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Information from the library is available to other organizations/libraries.</li><li>• It is possible for organizations to view the decisions of the Tribunals with a subscription to Quicklaw.</li><li>• The library does not have a Web site, but it is mentioned on the sites of the organizations that it serves.</li></ul> <p><b>Borrowing Policies:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The library lends information to other organizations through Interlibrary loan. Material can be borrowed for a period of three weeks but it is subject to recall.</li></ul> <p><b>Holding Policies:</b> N/A</p>	

<p><b>Organization:</b>  <b>Ryerson Polytechnic University</b>  <b>Library - Ministry of Labour</b>  <b>Collection</b></p> <p><b>Contact Person:</b>  Speak to any librarian</p>	<p><b>Address:</b> 350 Victoria Street  Toronto, ON, M5B 2K3</p> <p><b>Phone:</b>  Reference (416) 979-5031  Office (416) 979-5141</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> (416) 979-9215</p>
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**Collection:**

- The Ryerson Polytechnic University Library maintains an extensive collection of occupational and environmental health, chemical toxicology, occupational hygiene, occupational medicine and nursing books, periodicals and electronic databases.
- In 1996, it absorbed the resources of the Ontario Ministry of Labour which contained one of the largest occupational health and safety literature collections in Canada with material dating back over fifty years.
- RILOSH (Ryerson International Labour and Occupational Health Index) is an online index to chemical toxicology and environmental and occupational health and safety literature. It provides both current and retrospective access (back to 1975) to scholarly and popular periodicals, legal sources and books relating to environmental and occupational health and safety.

**Accessibility:**

- The Ryerson Polytechnic University Library is open to the general public. The Library's book catalog is accessible on the Internet via the Library's website (<http://www.library.ryerson.ca>). Public access to RILOSH is limited to on-site use only. However, RILOSH is available for purchase as a CD-ROM product.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- Only holders of valid Ryerson Polytechnic University student or library cards have borrowing privileges. The public may purchase an external user card for \$70.00 per year. Books can be borrowed for periods of three weeks; however, some books have shorter borrowing periods. Periodicals do not circulate. Coin operated photocopy facilities are available. Interlibrary loan service is also available to external libraries.

**Holding Policies:** N/A

<p><b>Organization:</b>  <b>Sunnybrook and Women’s College Sciences Centre – Dr. R. Ian Macdonald Library</b></p> <p><b>Contact Person:</b>          Speak to anyone at the circulation desk.</p>	<p><b>Address:</b> Macdonald Library, EG-29          (E –Wing Ground Floor, Room 29)          2075 Bayview Ave          Toronto, ON, M4N 3M5</p> <p><b>Phone:</b></p> <table> <tr> <td>Information Desk</td> <td>(416) 480-4562</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reference Librarian</td> <td>(416) 480-2562</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Interlibrary Loans</td> <td>(416) 480-2509</td> </tr> <tr> <td>User Services</td> <td>(416) 480-2549</td> </tr> </table>	Information Desk	(416) 480-4562	Reference Librarian	(416) 480-2562	Interlibrary Loans	(416) 480-2509	User Services	(416) 480-2549
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**Collection:**

- The collection of the Macdonald Library dates back, for the most part, to the 1980’s. The Library makes a serious effort at staying up to-date.
- The collection includes some information in the areas of occupational health and safety, public health and community health and legal documents. However, the strongest area of the collection is the medical perspective. Specifically, the areas that are part of the Sunnybrook and Women’s College Health Sciences priority programs are a central part of the collection. These areas are Heart and Stroke, Geriatrics, Trauma, Mental Health, Musculoskeletal and Women’s Health.
- Journals in the collection are mostly in Medline. The library does not have vertical files.

**Accessibility:**

- Information from the Macdonald Library is available for free to Health Science Consortium libraries. Other libraries can access the material for a fee. Only Sunnybrook/Women’s College staff/students can view material from the Macdonald Library over the Internet.
- The Macdonald Library requires patrons to fill out a registration form upon their first visit. Sunnybrook’s student/staff identification is required for this.
- There is one part of the collection that is accessible to patients and their families. This is called the “Patient Education Collection”.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- Information from the Macdonald Library may only be borrowed by the Health Science Consortium and by Sunnybrook/Women’s College staff/students.

**Holding Policies:**

- Generally, information is held from the 1980’s onward.

<b>Organization:</b> <b>The Toronto Hospital Library</b>	<b>Address:</b> Bell Wing, 9 <sup>th</sup> Floor 200 Elizabeth Street Toronto, ON, M3B 2S3
<b>Contact Person:</b> Panos Lambiris <a href="mailto:plambiris@uhn.on.ca">plambiris@uhn.on.ca</a>	<b>Phone:</b> (416) 340-3429 <b>Fax:</b> (416) 340-4384
	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.uhealthnet.on.ca">www.uhealthnet.on.ca</a> Click on the “libraries” icon to access the collection.

**Collection:**

- The library at the Toronto Hospital is part of the University Health Network. This Network also includes collections at the Western Division of the Toronto Hospital and the Princess Margaret Hospital.
- The areas of occupational health and safety, public health, community health, legal documents and medical perspectives are all represented to various degrees in the collection, the medical perspective being the most represented.
- The collection of books goes back as far as 1900. In addition, the collection also has an extensive indexed journal collection. Many of these journals are now being ordered for on-line use instead of by regular subscription.
- The library makes an effort to stay up-to-date with its collection.
- There are no vertical files in the collection.

**Accessibility:**

- Information from the collection is available for use by other organizations/libraries. It is possible to view some of the information over the Internet.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- Information from the collection can only be borrowed by University Health Network Employees and by other libraries. The public is welcome to do on-site research

**Holding Policies:**

- In general, information is held for twenty years.

<p><b>Organization:</b>  <b>Toronto Reference Library</b>  <b>The Consumer Health</b>  <b>Information Service</b></p> <p><b>Contact Person:</b>  N/A</p>	<p><b>Address:</b> 789 Yonge Street  Toronto, ON, M4W 2G8</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> General library (416) 393-7000  Answerline (416) 393-7131</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> (416) 392-7229</p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.tpl.toronto.on.ca">www.tpl.toronto.on.ca</a></p>
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**Collection:**

- The Consumer Health Information Service (CHIS) is located on the third floor of the Toronto Reference Library. The area of occupational health and safety is set up mainly for consumer use. For example, a worker who becomes sick with cancer will use CHIS for information about cancer and its treatments. The collection does not deal with the environmental aspect of the worker's cancer.
- I am including CHIS in my summaries because it is a useful resource. OHCOW staff may want to refer patients there to look for information about their particular condition.
- Other occupational health and safety information in the Toronto Reference Library is located in the Main Reference section, as well as in the Periodical section.
- The Toronto Reference Library is in the process of reorganizing its collection. They are presently in the process of merging with the Toronto Public Library system. This means that there have been, and will continue to be many changes in the system. In the new system some materials will now circulate, the public will require a library card to access material from the stacks, even for on-site reference and the entire computer system that the library has previously used will be different.

**Accessibility:** N/A

**Borrowing Policies:** N/A

**Holding Policies:** N/A

<b>Organization:</b> <b>Toronto Workers Health and Safety Legal Clinic (TWHSLC)</b>	<b>Address:</b> 180 Dundas Street West Suite 301, Box 4 Toronto, ON, M5G 1Z8
<b>Contact Person:</b> Sandra Huyskens	<b>Phone:</b> (416) 971-8832 <b>Fax:</b> (416) 971-8834

**Collection:**

- The material of the collection of the Toronto Workers Health and Safety Legal Clinic goes back to 1988 and makes effort to stay up-to-date. The areas of occupational health and safety, legal documents, and medical perspectives are all covered in the collection. The strengths of the collection are in the area of occupational health and safety law. The medical perspectives are not covered in as much detail. The collection includes journals (these are not indexed). The collection does not include vertical files.

**Accessibility:**

- The library can be viewed by other organizations only by on-site visits. The information is not available to be seen over the Internet. The Toronto Workers Health and Safety Legal Clinic does not have a web site.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- The library does not have a borrowing policy.

**Holding Policies:** N/A

**Organization:**  
**Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB)**

**Contact Person:**  
Carolyn Archer  
[carolyn\\_archer@wsib.on.ca](mailto:carolyn_archer@wsib.on.ca)

**Address:** Reference Library  
200 Front Street West 17<sup>th</sup> floor  
Toronto, ON, M5V 3J1  
**Phone:** (416) 344-5660  
**Fax:** (416) 344-4050

**Collection:**

- The library at the Workplace of the Insurance Board covers the areas of occupational health and safety, rehabilitation, science and medicine, health/wellness, law and management. It also contains some information on public health and community health. The collection's strengths are in the areas of science/medicine, workers' compensation and statutes. The library includes books, government publications, videos and more than 150 journals/newsletters. The journals are indexed in the library catalogue by title only. In addition, the library has a collection of vertical files. They are managed informally, being arranged alphabetically by subject. The library actively manages its collection so that it is up to date.

**Accessibility:**

- The library is open to the public. Photocopying on site is available at a cost of twenty (20) cents a page. The library catalogue does not contain any full text articles and is not currently available over the Internet. However the library catalogue may be searched in-house by the public and a number of electronic sources are available at the library's public workstation both through the Internet and CD-ROM's.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- The general public may not borrow items. Books are available for loan to WSIB staff and other libraries. Journals do not circulate.

**Holding Policies:**

- Texts are replaced frequently. Some journal holds extend back to 1986 or earlier.

<b>Organization:</b> <b>Workers Health and Safety Centre (WHSC)</b>	<b>Address:</b> 15 Gervais Drive, Suite 802 Don Mills, ON, M3C 1Y8
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**Collection:**

- The library of the Workers Health and Safety Centre includes material covering the areas of occupational health and safety, public health, community health, legal documents and medical perspective. Material in the collection goes back to 1970, and the Centre makes an effort to stay up-to-date.
- The Centre's collection includes vertical files and journals.

**Accessibility:**

- The Centre is able to forward copies of documents to other organizations/libraries.
- It is not possible to view full articles/text over the Internet.

**Borrowing Policies:**

- The Centre does not lend its material outside their organization

**Holding Policies:** N/A

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<p><b>Collection:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• York University Libraries is composed of 5 libraries. There is a law library in the Osgoode Hall Law School. There is a separate library containing government publications. In addition, Steacie Science Library and Scott Library contain social science and humanities material. There are books, journals and government publications, which deal with community health and public health within the York University Libraries. The emphasis and strength of the collection are the social aspects of these topics. The library has recently (5 years) included the nursing perspective in community and public health. York University does not have a faculty of Medicine. The medical perspective is selectively included in the collection. The majority of the material in the York University Libraries dealing with Occupational Health and Safety are government publications with some material held in the law library.</li> <li>• They are always adding new material to the collection. However, the materials in the areas discussed above are collected to support courses in the Nursing Department, the Social Sciences Division, the Sociology Department, and the Business School. The holdings are not extensive for occupational health and safety. There is only one non-governmental periodical, Occupational health and Safety Canada, in the collection. However, there may be journals, which could be of interest/value, which are more general in their focus. It is not possible to provide a list of journals to which the York Libraries subscribe. They have a variety of indexes available at York University Libraries but none, which deal with this specific topic. There are no vertical files.</li> </ul> <p><b>Accessibility:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any one can use the York University Libraries. However, the borrowing privileges are restricted to York University community members and students at other Ontario Universities (except for U of T undergraduates). Some individuals can purchase cards. Materials are available through interlibrary loan as well. While the full text databases to which York University libraries subscribes are only available remotely via the Internet to the York University community. However, anyone can access them with the libraries.</li> <li>• The collection policies, borrowing eligibility and other policy issues are on the Libraries' web site as well telephone numbers, address, etc. <a href="http://www.library.yorku.ca">www.library.yorku.ca</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Borrowing Policies:</b> N/A</p> <p><b>Holding Policies:</b> N/A</p>	

