USA: Trends and Challenges on Preventing Environmental and Occupational Asbestos Exposure

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The International Social Security Association reported, the “cost-benefit potential for investments in prevention may be as strong as 1:2.2, and even higher in some cases.”
Asbestos is a known carcinogen. 10,000 Americans die annually from ARD. There is no safe level of exposure.

How small is asbestos?
- 2-3 rice grains
- 5-6 human hairs
- 20,000 Asbestos Fibers

Domestic Production and Use

The United States is dependent on imports to meet manufacturing needs.

Workers at Risk

Asbestos consumption in the United States was estimated to be 820 tons, based on asbestos imports through July 2010.

Roofing products were estimated to account for about 72% of U.S. consumption and other applications, 28%.

U.S. Consumption

Price per Ton (USD)
“Construction workers were found to be 11 times more likely to develop mesothelioma, due to asbestos exposures at the site.”
– 2010 Presidents Cancer Panel

“As many as 35 million homes and businesses are insulated lethal asbestos-tainted vermiculite. “

“Ten years ago, then EPA investigator Keven McDermott crawled through an attic in Manchester, Wash., confirming the presence of 130 bags of asbestos-containing Zonolite insulation.”

Lancet
September 11, 2011 Study

Baljit Chadha
Canadian Chrysotile Asbestos Exporter
UPDATE
U.S. Senate Resolution 63 (Excerpt)

Designating the first week of April 2011 as 'National Asbestos Awareness Week'.
Resolved, That the Senate urges the Surgeon General, as a public health issue, to warn and educate people that asbestos exposure may be hazardous to their health.

Advocacy

“Walk to Remember Victims of Asbestos” - Canada

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Virtual Events

Online Screening of “Breathtaking” brought more than 200 people together from 14 countries

ADAO Memorial Dedication

Anita
Your shining smile and inspirational courage will always be remembered.
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