The Centre for Work, Organisation and Wellbeing

invites you to a seminar:

“Uncovering Hidden Occupational Fatalities: Occupational Suicide”

by

Professor Peter Chen
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When: Tuesday 3 April, 2012, 10:00 – 11:30 AM
Where: Room 2.02, N54 (Bray Centre), Nathan campus
Food: Please RSVP by Friday 30th March, 2012

Abstract: Suicide “at work” has been considered as a rare event, and is often treated as an unspoken taboo. Organisations have typically paid little attention to occupational suicide, even though its incidence rate is higher than the conventional belief, and the indirect cost imposing on family, business, and society is rather huge. This presentation will reveal the alarming problem based on Australia and US public health records, followed by a series of research findings addressing this challenge from multiple levels.

Speaker: Dr. Peter Chen obtained his doctoral degree in 1991 from University of South Florida, with a major in Industrial-Organizational Psychology and a minor in Psychometrics. Prior to taking the position of Chair in Management at the International Graduate School of Business at University of South Australia, he was a Professor of Psychology in the Department of Psychology at Colorado State University, and the Director of the Occupational Health Psychology training program, funded by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH). Dr. Chen was the President of Society for Occupational Health Psychology, Associate Editor of Journal of Occupational Health Psychology, and guest Editor of Accident Analysis & Prevention. His scholarly work includes over 170 peer reviewed articles, books, presentations, symposia, and workshops. One of his articles was awarded in 2009 as one of the 8 most influential papers over 30 years in Journal of Organizational Behaviors. He was also ranked the 29th among most-cited authors in 30 management journals during the period of 2000-2004 (see Journal of Management in 2008). His research has been supported by grants from NIOSH, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Colorado Department of Human Services, and Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

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