

EHS DIRECTOR'S ROUNDTABLE

Background for First Time Attendees

This informal association meets twice a year (Spring and Fall) in Louisville, Kentucky to discuss matters of mutual interest to EHS directors at universities. The purpose of the Director's Roundtable is the timely sharing of information related to management and operation of EH&S units and development of best management practices. Members will be limited to individuals with overall EH&S responsibility at their institutions. This is truly a regionally diverse group with an average attendance of 25-30 EHS directors from states including Florida, Nebraska, New Mexico, Massachusetts, Alabama, Kansas, North Carolina, Maryland, Iowa, Tennessee, Ohio, Louisiana, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Missouri, California, Michigan, Indiana and Kentucky. The inaugural meeting was held in Louisville, KY on November 11 & 12, 1998 with 17 EHS Directors from 13 different states attending. Attendance has continued to increase as we approach our 18th meeting in Spring of 2007!

Meetings are loosely structured with a minimum of formal presentations and an emphasis on discussion and information exchange (everyone is expected to bring copies of something to share with the group as this has become a cornerstone of our success!). Participation is intended to help directors stay in touch with issues facing their sister institutions and to provide a forum for discussion of a wide range of policy matters.

The Roundtable meetings are open to members only, but special invitations will be extended, if necessary to insure at least 20-25 participants at each meeting. A registration fee will be charged for administrative costs as well as the costs of group meals, refreshments, etc. The EHS Director's Roundtable will have no regular dues.

****NOTE:** First time attendees at EHS Director's Roundtable are asked to bring copies of their organizational chart and to complete an institutional profile form which will be sent out with the registration packets. The profiles of all attending organizations are compiled and distributed to maximize networking and follow up with fellow EHS Directors after the Roundtable.