

Join us at the National Association of State Fire Marshals 33rd Annual Fire Prevention & Safety Symposium for these educational sessions about CO safety.

MONDAY JULY 31, 2023

1:00PM – 1:45PM Opening Joint Session with NASFM

What is NCOAA and why is CO Safety important in CRR and the fire service, CO Safety training for firefighter in partnership with NFFF and sponsored in part by FEMA, CO Safety in Michigan, Prevalence of CO across the US – why CO is a public health crisis and what it means to Emergency Response, CO data and CRR initiatives, Safety Coalition and why it's important in your State.

2:00PM – 5:00PM Emergency Response

Firefighters, EMTs, and police officers receive little to no training on how to address CO-related calls. During this session, the Emergency Response Work Group will discuss the importance of training first responders, particularly those in the fire service, in order to raise awareness of CO-related issues, increase the use of carbon monoxide meters, and improve rehabilitation for those who may be poisoned on the job.

6:00PM – 9:00PM Casino Night with NASFM

With the purchase of a separate ticket.

TUESDAY AUGUST 1, 2023

9:00AM – 12:00PM Science & Innovation

The lack of robust diagnostics and effective treatments leaves many carbon monoxide victims and survivors unaware that they have been poisoned. If diagnosed, they are faced with insufficient therapies to address the complex health issues they may now face as a result of carbon monoxide poisoning. During this session, the Science & Innovation Work Group will examine new technologies for improving diagnostic testing and review new therapies currently under research.

12:00PM – 1:00PM Lunch with NASFM

1:00PM – 2:00PM Visit Exhibit Hall

2:00PM – 5:00PM Codes, Standards, and Regulations

Codes, standards, and regulations have the power to affect systemic change, and cities and states may choose to adopt certain codes. During this session, the Codes, Standards, and Regulations Work Group will talk about planning to help shape codes, standards, and regulations that may be adopted by legislative bodies including issues such as fuel shut-offs on gas furnaces, improving health safety standards on gas ranges, and the addition of carbon monoxide alarm standards for existing commercial buildings, including hotels and motels beginning in 2024.

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 2, 2023

9:00AM – 12:00PM Surveillance Data

One of the greatest challenges related to carbon monoxide safety is the lack of surveillance data collected on carbon monoxide injuries and deaths since there is no national surveillance system that specifically monitors carbon monoxide poisoning. The Surveillance Data Work Group will present their finding when reviewing existing data sources and make recommendations for changes to the reporting systems.