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## **Debra Fisher, CSHM, Honored With The IHMM Excellence in EHS Management Award**

[Rockville, MD] Each year the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management holds an open competition to select one person of outstanding character, ability and achievement to receive recognition with its Excellence in EHS Management Award.



For 2020, IHMM is very pleased to announce its winner of the Excellence in EHS Management Award is Debra Fisher of Trotwood, Ohio, Health and Safety Coordinator at IUE-CWA, the Industrial Division of the Communication Workers of America, representing over 50,000 manufacturing and industrial workers across the United States. Debra is credentialed as a Certified Safety and Health Manager [CSHM®] and a Certified Safety Management Practitioner [CSMP®] with IHMM.

Debra as a Special Emergency Response Team member has deployed to multiple hurricanes, tornadoes, spills, and industrial accidents. Debra has developed and implemented new safety training to help workers recognize hazards. She has demonstrated new approaches by her national training curriculum and written guide for in-coming workers to work on safety committees and investigate incidents.

Debra collaborated with the local university to provide a 40-foot climbing tower where both students and workers now learn safe climbing techniques. This is a perfect example of how Debra engages diverse groups to maximize their learning experience and is part of her legacy. Debra also serves as the Chapter President for the Kitty Hawk Chapter of the American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP). She has worked tirelessly as chapter leadership in various positions since 2015 while promoting EHS initiatives in the Mimi Valley region. She hosted subject matter experts and facility tours to increase awareness on EHS topics. Her efforts were rewarded as she helped the chapter earn the ASSP Platinum Award (first).

IHMM is honored to have Debra Fisher as a CSHM and CSMP, and congratulates her on winning the IHMM Excellence in EHS Management Award for 2020. “She has proven that engaged workers can provide the greatest value to safety solutions because they are the most familiar with the work being performed.”

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