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Matt Gillen, MS, CIH is the Construction Sector Program Coordinator for the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Construction Program at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Since joining NIOSH in 2000, he has worked to coordinate and plan construction research efforts and build stronger relationships between researchers and the construction industry. His activities include liaison to construction partners, coordination of a National Construction Center cooperative agreement, strategic planning and program evaluation. He serves as NIOSH Co-chair for the multi-stakeholder National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) Construction Sector Council, which developed a "National Construction Agenda" to guide safety and health research and practice initiatives over the decade. He serves as NIOSH representative to the OSHA Advisory Committee for Construction Safety and Health. He has also served as a Senior Scientist at the NIOSH Office of the Director and has been involved with special assignments such as serving as a NIOSH representative to interagency groups coordinating anthrax contamination remediation and clearance determinations for the Hart Senate Office Building and the Brentwood Postal Facility in the aftermath of the bioterrorism incidents of 2001.

Prior to joining NIOSH he was with the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics of the Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, DC. His duties included federal interagency coordination on occupational initiatives related to toxic chemical and lead and asbestos issues. Other previous positions include those with the Workers' Institute for Safety and Health, the Occupational Health Foundation, and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Construction-related experience from previous positions includes evaluation of oil spill remediation and paper mill construction operations and development of apprentice and journeymen training curricula on asbestos, lead, and hazardous wastes. He is certified in the comprehensive practice of industrial hygiene by the American Board of Industrial Hygiene, and is a member of the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists and the American Industrial Hygiene Association, where he is active on the Construction Committee. Mr. Gillen received his M.S degree in Industrial Hygiene from the University of Cincinnati.