

Upper Midwest Body Art Conference

September 7 and 8, 2010

Sleep Inn and Suites- Minot, North Dakota

Brought to you by the North Dakota Environmental Health Association
and the First District Health Unit

Open to all Tattooists, Piercers, Cosmetic Tattooists and anyone else involved in or interested in body art practices; and to all regulators of body art establishments.

Tuesday, September 7: Presentations will begin at 10:00. See the attached agenda for speakers and topics.

We are pleased to announce that our keynote address will be delivered by world-renowned professional body piercer and author of *The Piercing Bible--The Definitive Guide to Safe Body Piercing*, Elayne Angel. *The Piercing Bible* is the only comprehensive book devoted exclusively to the subject of body piercing. Elayne has performed over 40,000 piercings in her career beginning in the 1980's, when she managed the first piercing specialty studio in the United States. She was founder and President of Rings of Desire, the only licensed body art studio in the French Quarter of New Orleans, where she pierced for over twelve years. Following the devastation of Hurricane Katrina, she closed Rings of Desire and relocated to the Yucatán in Mexico.

Elayne is a monthly columnist for the body art industry trade publication, *Pain Magazine*. She serves on the Board of Directors of the Association of Professional Piercers as Medical Liaison and is a recipient of the President's Lifetime Achievement Award from the organization. She will be present during both days of the conference and will have copies of *The Piercing Bible* available for purchase.

There will be a social open to all attendees from 7 to 9 Tuesday night.

Wednesday, September 8: Blood borne pathogens class. The class will start at 8:00. Attendees will get detailed training about blood borne pathogens and infection control aimed specifically at the body art studio environment. The course will be taught by David A. Vidra of Health Educators Inc. (www.hlthedu.com). David brings years of experience in both the medical and body art fields to the classroom.

Those interested in attending will have the option of coming to either day or both days. Lunch will be provided each day. The cost for both days of the conference will be 150.00. For those just wishing to attend day one, it will be 75.00 and it will be 125.00 for those just wishing to attend the blood borne pathogens class.

The training will be held at the Sleep Inn and Suites. The Sleep Inn is adjacent to the Dakota Square Mall, and is the home of the Splash Down Dakota Water Park. A block of rooms is being held at the Sleep Inn at the rate of 63.00 per night plus tax (when calling to make reservations, reference the First District Health Unit body art conference). The room cost includes breakfast and a pass to the Splash Down Dakota Water Park. Call the Sleep Inn at 701-837-3100 or at 1-800-SLEEPINN to make your reservation today. Make your reservations quickly, since a limited number of rooms are available at the special 63.00 rate. The block of rooms will be held until August 23, and are available for the 6th, 7th and 8th. Registrations for the conference must be received before August 21, so register today to guarantee that you get a seat.

Fill out the registration form today and mail it to:

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Attn: Jayme Calavera
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Minot ND 58701

Make checks payable to: North Dakota Environmental Health Association

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Agenda

Tuesday, September 7

9:30	Registration and Check In	
10:00	Welcome and Announcements	Lisa Otto- First Vice President- NDEHA
10:15	Body Art Facility Insurance	Chris Van Leeuwen- Vice President- Stratus Insurance Services
11:00	MRSA	Tracy Miller- Program Manager- Epidemiology and Surveillance Program- NDDoH
12:00	Lunch/Regulators Round Table	Representatives of State and Local Health Jurisdictions
1:00	Keynote Address	Elayne Angel
2:45	The Association of Professional Piercers	Elayne Angel, Brian Skellie- APP Board Members
3:00	Break	
3:15	Spore Testing/FDHU Spore Testing Program	Lisa Otto- First District Health Unit
3:30	Studio Set Up and Inspection	David Vidra- Health Educators Inc.
5:00	Advanced Sterilization and Instrument Management with STATIM	Brian Skellie- SciCan
6:00	The Alliance of Professional Tattooists	Mike Martin- APT Board Member
6:15	Body Art Procedure Site Preparation	Nick De Carlo- TNT Tattoo and Body Piercing
7:00	Social	

Wednesday, September 8

7:30	Registration and Check In	
8:00	Bloodborne Pathogens	David Vidra- Health Educators Inc.
12:00	Lunch	
1:00	Bloodborne Pathogens Continued	
5:00	Conference Ends	