

# **ABOUT PRPS**

The Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society (PRPS) is the principal state organization providing professional leadership, development, advocacy and resources for those working and volunteering in the parks and recreation field. For more information or to become a member go to www.prps.org.

# GOOD FOR PA

Being well, having fun, and strengthening our communities are some of the ways that local parks and recreation enhance the lives of all Pennsylvanians. It's good for you. It's good for all. We welcome you to start finding some good of your own. Get more information and start exploring at GoodForPA.com.



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## PENNSYLVANIA RECREATION & PARK SOCIETY

PLAYGROUND MAINTENANCE WORKSHOPS .6 CEUS



OCTOBER 1 - ALLENTOWN OCTOBER 10 - PITTSBURGH OCTOBER 22 - STATE COLLEGE

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#### PLAYGROUND MAINTENANCE

According to the U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission (CPSC) 240,000 children are treated for playground accidents annually. The National Playground Safety Institute (NPSI) attributes over 40% of those accidents to poor playground maintenance. Beside the risks to our most vulnerable users, improperly maintained playgrounds needlessly expose agencies and program providers to damaging legal actions. By educating and training staff and supervisors, we can improve maintenance procedures on public play equipment and create safer play environments for our children.

This workshop features classroom instruction, facilitated discussions, hands-on exercises and a site visit to a local playground. Participants wil also receive several ready-to-use reference sources including:

- CPSC "Handbook for Public Playground Safety"
- National Parks and Recreation Association's "Dirty Dozen Checklist"
- Playground Inspection Forms
- Listing of Web-based resources

## QUALITY INSTRUCTORS

PRPS Playground maintenance instructors are tops in their field. Each instructor has received specialized instruction to teach this course and is a Certified Playground Safety Inspector(CPSI)\*. All of our instructors are actively engaged in the field and have years of experience in playground maintenance.

\*PRPS also offers a CPSI course for participants who want to extend their training.

"AFTER OVER 26 YEARS OF MANAGING PLAYGROUNDS, I STILL LEARNED NEW INFORMATION AND SOME GREAT IDEAS AT THE PRPS PLAYGROUND MAINTENANCE WORKSHOP!" JUDY HOUCK

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Parks and Public Works Personnel
- Operators and Caretakers of Playgrounds in: Hotels, Churches, Summer and Day Camps, Campgrounds, Resorts
- Child Care Centers
- School District Maintenance Personnel
- Park Forman and Supervisors
- Recreation, Township and Municipal Board members
- Park Volunteers
- Recreation Directors
- School Administrators
- Organizations such as YMCA/YWCA, Scouts, Head Start, Neighborhood Association

#### SCHEDULE

7:30 am - 8:00 am	Registration
8:00 am - 12:00 pm	Classroom Instruction
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch on own
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Instruction and Exercise
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Playground Site Visit

### **REGISTRATION FEES**

PRPS Member	\$70
Non-member	\$85
Full-time Students	FREE
Lunch is NOT included	

Registration deadline is one week before the date of the workshop. If a workshop has less than 15 participants, it may be cancelled or rescheduled. Register early at <u>www.prps.org</u>!

### DATES & LOCATIONS

#### Tuesday, October 1, 2019

Allentown Department of Parks and Recreation Bucky Boyle Park 10 Pump Place Allentown, PA 18102

#### Thursday October 10, 2019

Schenley Park Pittsburgh Ice Rink Banquet Room 10341 Overlook Drive Pittsburgh, PA 15313

#### Tuesday, October 22, 2019

Ferguson Township Municipal Building 3147 Research Drive State College, PA 16801

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

There is a \$25 service charge for cancellations made in writing at least 5 days prior to the start of the workshop. After the deadline a "credit" will be issued (minus the service charge) toward a future PRPS workshop. No shows will be charged the full rate. In the unlikely event of the cancellation of this workshop, PRPS's liability is limited to a refund of registration fees.

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# REGISTER ONLINE AT PRPS.ORG OR CALL 814-234-4272