

### Reducing toxic chemicals by:

- Improving access to information about chemical use
- Building capacity to identify safer chemicals and products
- Fostering collaboration and information sharing
- Harmonizing policies and programs
- Holding training events for members
- Addressing emerging issues



Learn More:



### About

The Interstate Chemicals Clearinghouse (IC2) connects state and local governments and supporting members to encourage safer chemistry in consumer products. Through opportunities to discuss common issues and participation in IC2 workgroups, state and local agencies and supporting members can share strategies, build capacity and reduce duplication of effort.

The IC2's goals include:

- Avoiding duplication and enhance efficiency and effectiveness of agency initiatives on chemicals through collaboration and coordination
- Building governmental capacity to identify and promote safer chemicals and products
- Ensuring that agencies, businesses, and the public have ready access to high quality and authoritative chemicals data, information, and assessment methods

The IC2 was formed in 2010 by a core group of ten states and one local government after two years of planning. While only state, local, or tribal agencies are eligible to be full members of the IC2, supporting members are welcome and integral to the organization.

### Services

- Support for health and environmental agencies with development and implementation of programs that promote use of safer chemicals and products
- Support for the development of alternatives assessment methods and identification of safer alternatives
- Data and information on use, hazard, exposure, and alternatives
- Strategies and outcomes on chemicals prioritization
- Support for capacity building by sharing materials, strategies, and training
- Assistance for agencies in meeting the relevant information needs of businesses, consumers, and the public

## Databases

### High Priority Chemicals Data System (HPCDS)

IC2 provides an online portal for manufacturers to report on the presence of high priority chemicals in products. The HPCDS facilitates greater efficiency and cost effectiveness for states to fulfill the requirements under their children's products disclosure laws.

### Chemical Hazard Assessment Database (CHAD)

The Chemical Hazard Assessment Database enables users to search for GreenScreen® assessments. The Database promotes awareness of hazard assessments conducted on chemicals of high concern, facilitates transparency and discussion, and reduces duplication of effort.

### States' Chemicals of Concern Database

Many IC2 members have developed and published lists of chemicals of concern as part of their efforts to implement state legislation. To provide assistance to these efforts, the IC2 has developed an online, searchable database that combines these state lists.

### Alternatives Assessment Library

The Alternatives Assessment Library is a listing of publicly available alternatives assessments (AA), AA-related guidance documents (generally organized by date, from most recent to oldest), and other resources that list multiple case studies.

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## Structure

The IC2 is a program of the Northeast Waste Management Officials' Association (NEWMOA), which provides staff support and fiscal services to the IC2.

### IC2 Board of Directors

The Board of Directors oversees and coordinates the IC2. The Board includes representatives of the state, local, and tribal government agencies with Directors or Commissioners that sign an IC2 Membership Memorandum of Agreement.

### IC2 All Member Meetings

IC2 All Member meetings provide an opportunity for IC2 members and supporting members to meet together to get IC2 program updates and hear from each of IC2's workgroup chairs on workgroup activities and upcoming initiatives.

### IC2 All Member Roundtables

IC2 All Member Roundtables give members and supporting members a forum to share information from their agency or organization regarding their toxic chemical work. The meetings often have a particular topic to focus the discussion with ample time provided for discussion and collaboration.

## Workgroups

### IC2 Alternative Assessment Workgroup

The purpose of IC2's Alternative Assessment Workgroup is to minimize duplication and maximize dissemination of valuable information on safer alternatives to chemicals of concern. As well as finding safer alternatives that companies can adopt.

### IC2 Database Workgroup

The purpose of IC2's Database Workgroup is to understand and assess the chemical data needs of IC2 member and to develop IC2 data or information systems to address those needs.

### IC2 Environmental Justice Workgroup

The purpose of IC2's Environmental Justice Workgroup is to advance health and environmental justice and explore and identify ways to more fully address environmental justice in IC2's activities.

### IC2 PFAS Workgroup

The purpose of IC2's PFAS Workgroup is to provide a forum for sharing information and collaborating on PFAS reduction, with the goal of learning from and not replicating work being done around the world.

### IC2 Procurement Workgroup

The purpose of IC2's Procurement Workgroup is to advance low toxicity government procurement. One area of interest includes how patterns of chemical use inform environmentally preferable procurement.

### IC2 TSCA Workgroup

The purpose of the IC2's State and Local Government TSCA Workgroup is to track and engage in US EPA's TSCA activities and ensure federal decisions consider state and local government experience in reducing the use of toxic chemicals.

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## Contact Information

Please contact the IC2 Project Manager for assistance with questions or concerns including logging into the IC2 website members-only area or joining workgroup meetings and mailing lists.

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