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## **Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization (ADAO) Holds Sixth Annual International Asbestos Awareness Conference**

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**Redondo Beach, CA ... November 19, 2009** --- The Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization (ADAO) today announced its sixth International Asbestos Awareness Conference to be held in Chicago April 9-11, 2010. Conferences each year bring together renowned doctors, scientists, researchers and most importantly, asbestos victims and their families – in a united forum for asbestos awareness, education and collaboration.

Numerous honorees will be recognized at the 2010 event for their outstanding work and dedication to asbestos awareness related activities including:

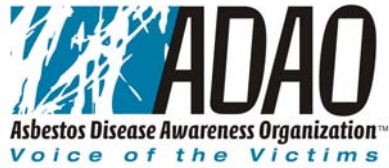
- The Honorable Richard Durbin, United States Senator, Tribute of Hope Award
- Dr. Hedy Kindler, Selikoff Lifetime Achievement Award
- Center for Asbestos Related Disease (CARD), Libby, MT, Tribute of Unity Award
- Fernanda Giannasi, Tribute of Inspiration Award
- Honoree To be Announced, Warren Zevon "Keep me in Your Heart" Memorial Tribute
- June Breit, honored posthumously, The Alan Reinstein Memorial Award

“As we get even closer to a full asbestos ban, we are encouraged yet simultaneously reminded that the reverberations of asbestos exposure can last decades,” stated Linda Reinstein, Co-Founder & Executive Director of the Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization. “Our annual conferences drive home the importance of the need for increased awareness, education and research. We are again honored to have the opportunity to bring together some of the world’s most renowned experts while recognizing some of the most influential leaders in the battle against asbestos exposure. They are true asbestos awareness heroes and prove that together, change is possible.”

“I’ve received countless requests for my father’s song, ‘*Keep Me In Your Heart*,’ to be used at memorials for asbestos victims,” stated Jordan Zevon, ADAO Spokesperson. “You can imagine how proud it makes me to know that my father’s Grammy winning song has touched so many families, but it is bittersweet because of the nature of those requests and the origin of the song’s conception. The ADAO “Warren Zevon *Keep Me In Your Heart* Tribute”, the success of his album, and my recent fatherhood would have made my Dad burst with pride. In his honor, I will continue to work with ADAO to ban asbestos to spare future generations from the same fate.”

ADAO’s mission is to provide the most advanced medical, occupational and environmental information available about asbestos related diseases to individuals throughout the world. Presentations will include preventing exposure, advances in diagnosing and treating asbestos-related diseases, providing patient resources, and a global advocacy session.

Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization is a registered 501(c) (3) nonprofit volunteer organization  
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The conference is made possible with the support and collaborative efforts of the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute and the International Ban Asbestos Secretariat (IBAS).

Online registration is available at <http://adao.eventbrite.com/> and additional conference details can be found at <http://www.asbestosdiseaseawareness.org/events/conference.html>

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**About Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization**

Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization (ADAAO) was founded by asbestos victims and their families in 2004. ADAAO seeks to give asbestos victims and concerned citizens a united voice to help ensure that their rights are fairly represented and protected, while raising public awareness about the dangers of asbestos exposure and often deadly asbestos related diseases. ADAAO is an independent volunteer organization. For more information visit [www.asbestosdiseaseawareness.org](http://www.asbestosdiseaseawareness.org).

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