Getting Started with CONSTRUCTION SAFETY MANAGEMENT

Follow the nine steps below recommended by OSHA to get your construction safety and health management program off on the right foot.





SET SAFETY AND HEALTH AS TOP PRIORITY



Always have safety & health as a top priority, tell workers that, and follow through.



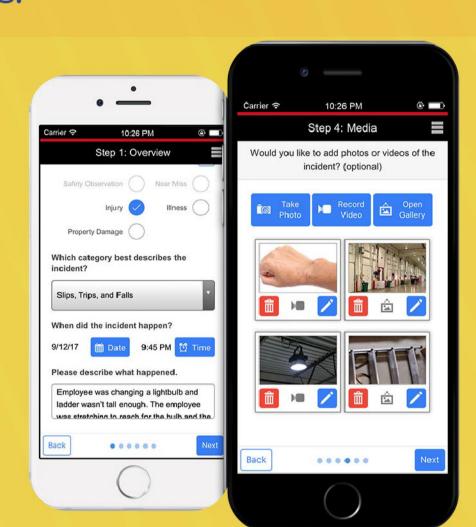
LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Talk the talk and walk the walk. Practice and model safety behaviors you want to see from others.

MPLEMENT A REPORTING SYSTEM

Implement a system for reporting and acting on injuries, illnesses, incidents, near-misses, hazards, and other safety concerns.

Never retaliate for reporting and make sure workers know you won't.





PROVIDE TRAINING

Train workers to identify, report, and control hazards and about their role in your safety management system.

CONDUCTINSPECTIONS

Conduct regular workplace safety inspections and perform job hazard analyses (JHAs).





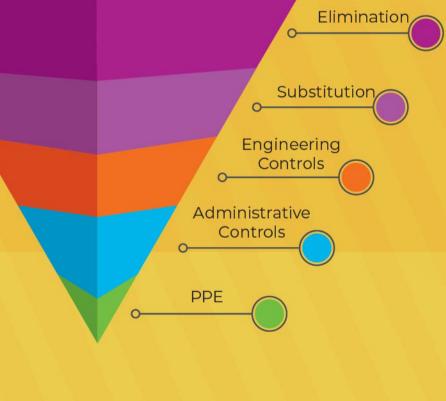
COLLECT HAZARD CONTROL IDEAS

After hazards are identified, work together with employees to gather ideas for controlling the hazards.

IMPLEMENT HAZARD
CONTROLS

Prioritize hazards for mitigation

then make plans to implement controls using the hierarchy of controls (Elimination, Substitution, Engineering Practices, Administrative Practices, PPE).





ADDRESS EMERGENCIES

Develop safety measures for emergencies and nonroutine work situations, too.

MAKE IMPROVEMENTS Create and use a process for evaluating

and measuring safety improvements and your safety management system.





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