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Weekly Safety Tip

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Our Weekly Safety Tip provides valuable and current safety information relevant for Work, Home & Play.

And, you will be kept current on the latest Safety Compliance issues.



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Safety Slogan

**Safety Begins with
TEAMWORK
James Lehrke-SCI**

of the week

SCI Safety Tip: Summer job safety: Are you protecting your young workers? (Part 2)

Source: <http://www.blr.com>

Date: July 18, 2013

Your duty as an employer

Even though your summer staff may only be with you for a short time, you have the same duty to provide them with training and protection from hazards. Here are some important tips:

- When training young workers, make sure you communicate in language they can understand. This doesn't just apply to workers with minimal English skills; teenagers' vocabularies may be more limited than those of adults. To make sure your training is understood, try using interactive methods, visuals, quizzes, and hands-on demonstrations.
- Pair young workers with a more experienced mentor, particularly when they're new to the job. This will give them a go-to person who can answer questions, provide assistance, and supervise the new worker more thoroughly than a manager who isn't as involved in day-to-day operations.
- If a job requires PPE, make sure the equipment fits younger workers properly and that they use it correctly.
- Make sure your training includes information about:
 - Young workers' right to a safe and healthful workplace;
 - Recognizing hazards and following safe work practices;
 - What types of job functions are permitted and prohibited for young workers;
 - How to respond to an emergency if one occurs;
 - What to do in case of injury or illness on the job; *and*
 - Where to find safety information if workers have questions after the training.

OSHA has a website dedicated to young worker safety that includes sections geared towards workers, parents and educators, and employers. It contains information on job hazards that commonly apply to young workers, labor laws and safety regulations, and links to other resources.

Check it out at <https://www.osha.gov/youngworkers/index.html>.

“Saving Green by Going Green” Tip of the Week July 29th

Did you know that you can save money by using video conference programs? Consider using an online free version like Skype. Not only will you save money and fuel from employee travel time, but you will utilize their physical in office time and skills more efficiently. For more help saving green by going green email Laura@safetyconnections.com

HEALTHY BITES**Quick Tips for Healthy Living****PREVEA**
*Health & Wellness***Balance Problems**

Have you ever felt [dizzy](#), lightheaded, or as if the room is spinning around you? If the feeling happens often, it could be a sign of a balance problem. Balance problems can make you feel unsteady or as if you were moving, spinning, or floating. They are one cause of [falls](#) and fall-related injuries, such as hip fracture.

Some balance problems are due to problems in the inner ear. Others may involve another part of the body, such as the brain or the heart. Aging, infections, head injury, certain medicines, or problems with blood circulation may result in a balance problem.

If you are having balance problems, see your doctor. Balance disorders can be signs of other health problems, such as an ear infection or a stroke. In some cases, treating the illness that is causing the disorder will help with the balance problem. Exercises, a change in diet, and some medicines also can help.

NIH: National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders

SCI OSHA News: OSHA Search for Amputation Hazards Reveals Much More**Source: www.blr.com****Date: July 23, 2013**

When OSHA compliance officers inspected a Hawaii concrete manufacturing company for amputation hazards, they discovered other significant risks. And they didn't hesitate to cite and fine the employer for them. Keep reading to find out about the cost of noncompliance.

OSHA inspectors visited the workplace as part of the agency's National Emphasis Program for amputations. As expected, violations were identified relating to unguarded machinery and gears and unexpected start-up of equipment during maintenance and setup.

But they also uncovered a number of other problems not specifically related to amputations. A total of 22 serious violations were identified for issues including confined space hazards, lack of a respiratory protection program, and unprotected platforms. The proposed fines totaled more than \$50,000.

The OSHA officer in charge advised that, "An employer shouldn't wait for an OSHA inspection to address workplace safety and health issues to prevent injury and illnesses."

Top tips to avoid amputations

Every year, thousands of employees lose fingers, hands, feet, and other body parts. This happens as a result of compression, crushing, or when body parts get caught between or struck by objects.

According to OSHA, most amputations involve fingertips, and most occur when employees operate unguarded or inadequately safeguarded equipment. Examples are mechanical power presses, power press brakes, powered and nonpowered conveyors, printing presses, food slicers, meat grinders, band saws, and slitters.

Identify and avoid amputation hazards through guarding, safe work practices, employee training, and administrative controls. According to OSHA, machine guarding is the best means of prevention.

Guards provide physical barriers to hazardous areas. They should be secure and strong, and employees should not be able to bypass, remove, or tamper with them. Guards should not obstruct the operator's view or prevent employees from working.

Devices help prevent contact points of operation and may replace or supplement guards. Devices can interrupt the normal cycle of a machine when the operator's hands are at the point of operation.

Lehrke Family Benefit/Raffle/Brat Fry

Saturday, Sept. 14th
11:00am – 7:00pm
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Sheboygan, WI 53081

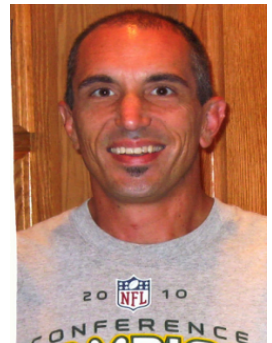
In Loving Memory of:



Jessica



Kristin



Nick

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*In Loving
Memory of Jessica Lehrke*