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Going Forth Safely Into The Field Of Geology



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Learning Objectives

Understand

- Basic Safety Concepts
- Why Safety?
- What Are Safety Metrics?
- Various Forms Of Safety Cultures and Approaches



A Lot Has Changed Since Field Camp....













The word "ACCIDENT"

is disappearing from use at many companies



Near Misses, First Aid Cases Injuries And Property Damage Don't Just Happen:

They are the result of – UNSAFE ACTS UNSAFE CONDITIONS





Barriers to Safe Work Environments

- Failure to recognize hazards
- Failure to learn from incident root causes
- Inadequate safety management system
- Inadequate training
- No established safety culture
- Personal choice



Why The Fuss?



- Employers must ensure a safe work place for all employees – a moral and ethical issue
- Federal regulations require an employer to provide a safe and healthful work environment OSH Act General Duty Clause (5)(a)(1):

"Shall furnish to each of his employees employment and a place of employment which are free from recognized hazards that are causing or are likely to cause death or serious physical harm to his employees"

5(b):

" Each employee shall comply with occupational safety and health standards and all rules, regulations, and orders issued pursuant to this Act which are applicable to his own actions and conduct."

Employers & clients will only hire safetyfocused employees & subcontractors

Performing Work Safely (JHA's, JSA, AHA, etc.)

- Identifies each hazard associated with a specific task
- Promotes development of a solution for each identified hazard
- Encourages training for safe and efficient procedures
- Helps develop "pre-job" instructions for non- typical jobs
- Aids in review of operational steps for safety and quality

| JHA No.: | |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Job Title: | Date of Analysis: |
| Job Location: _ | Team Leader: |

Job Hazard Analysis Form

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Instructions: The Team Leader will gather the appropriate team, including subject matter experts, operators, and support personnel, to analyze the job for hazards. Using the below table or similar format, address the three phases of this process:

- Identify Key Job Steps: Break the job down into individual key steps where work activities are
 presented in sequential order.
- Identify Job Hazards: Create a list of known or potential hazards within each step of the job. Consider hazards associated with the various tools, equipment or other hardware involved in the job. Consider environmental hazards such as thermal stress, biohazards, etc.
- Identify Safe Practices and Equipment: List one or more prevention or control measures to address each hazard identified, emphasizing engineering and administrative controls over PPE. Once this has been completed, the JHA Team will determine whether the job can be performed in a manner that eliminates the identified hazards.

| Key Work Steps | Hazards/Potential Hazards | Safe Practices |
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Safety Metrics

RATES ARE CALCULATED USING THIS STANDARDIZED FORMULA

(Number of cases x 200,000 hours) / hours worked

From a regulatory standpoint, 1 person works 2,000 hrs / year

TRIR = Total Recordable Incident Rate

The number per 100 employees that have been injured or made ill on the job to the extent that their **injury** or **illness is recordable** on the OSHA 300 Log.

DART = Days Away, Restricted and Transferred

The number per 100 employees that have been injured or made ill on the job to the extent that they:

- Do not return to work the day following the incident;
- Have restrictions on the extent they can perform their normal work; or
- Have to do a **different job**.

OSHA 300 Log (MSHA)

You must record information about every work-related injury or illness that involves loss of consciousness, restricted work activity or job transfer, days away from work, or medical treatment beyond Instald. You must also record significant work-related injuries and illnesses that are diagnesed by a physician or leansed health care professional. You must also record work-related injuries and illnesses that meet any of the specific recording citeria listed in 29 CFR 1904 8 through 1904 12. Feel free to use two lines for a single case if you need to. You must complete an injury and illness incident report (OSHA Form 301) or equivalent form for each injury or illness recorded on this form. If you're not sure whether a case is recordable, call your local OSHA office for help.

Consolidation of All MACTEC Operations City Alpharetta State Georgia Identify the person Describe the case Classify the case Enter the number of (A) (C) (D) (E) (8) (F) CHECK ONLY ONE box for each case based on days the injured or ill Check the "injury" column or choose one type of Case No. Employee's Name lob Title (e.g. Date of Where the event occurred (e.g. Describe injury or illness, parts of body affected. the most serious outcome for that case: worker was: illness: Welder) injury or Loading dock north end) and object/substance that directly injured or made (MS onset of person ill (e.g. Second degree burns on right On job ilness forearm from acetylene torch} Days away Death Remained at work Away From transfer or (mo/day) from work restriction Work ŏ Job transfer Other record-(days) (days) (inline) Resp Skin or restriction able cases (3) (G) (H) (III (J) 00 (L) (1) (2) (4) (5) EE tripped over pipe when pulling a wheel barrow WFTW1 George Bush Tollway, Dallas х 10 х Eng. Tech 2-3-04 10 х backwards MDC-SWS/ Laborer 2.9-04 SWSA-4 Project Site Aggravated preexisting hernia х 1 х WNOVH Proj. Admin 2-11-04 Office EE slipped when entering office due to wet feet х 4 х Numbing of R arm from repetitive movement x WLOSA01 х Engineering Te 2-14-04 Job Site х using mallet EE was lifting boxes of soil samples at the office SCHAR3 Proj Engineer 2-28-04 Office х 2 82 х 2 82 when strained lower back. Testing hinges, they failed, door struck EE х SCHAR1 3-2-04 Office-Lab х Sr. Lab Tech х stitches EE was pulling wheelbarrow, tripped over SATLA01 ab Tech 3-25-04 Office х х concrete blocks and fell injuring back EE was repairing a piece of machinery at an WFLOW1 12-15-04 Job Site awkward position using a hacksaw and pinched a х 8 х 8 nerve in neck WSAND4 Staff Eng I 12-16-04 Office Struck by falling cubical partition х 1 Х Crafts/Operativ 12-20-04 Lyndhurst, NY Slipped on ice when getting out of vehicle. х 5 Х Х Х 5 SNAPL03 Х Eng Tech 12-28-04 Auto Accident Not at fault auto accident. IV struck by OV х 3 Х х 3 12-29-04 Cakridge site. EE injured finger when opening a gate X Х х х 4 0 5 0 4 0 1 0 17 0 0 0 6 4 Ú. 10 17 Ú. Û. Ó Ó. 0 5 0 Page totals 0 7 1 4 24 92 11 0 0 0 0 1 7 0 11 1 8 0 3 1 24 0 92 0

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What is a Safety Culture?

"Culture" is traditionally defined as "a shared set of beliefs, norms, and practices, documented and communicated through a common language."

"...if safety and health values are not consistently (and constantly) shared at all levels of management and among *all* employees, any gains that result from declaring safety and health excellence a "priority" are likely to be shortlived."

BP Amoco Texas City Refinery Incident Investigation Report (page 23)

The Results of NO CULTURE

Fatalities

Lost Time Injuries

Medical Treatment

First-Aid Cases

Incidents with Potential for Injury Unsafe Acts/At Risk Behaviors

- Not Following Rules or Procedures
- Taking Shortcuts
- Hurrying
- Using Poor Judgment
- Not Maintaining Good Housekeeping
- Awkward/Uncomfortable Positions
- Repetitive Motions
- Heavy and Bulky Loads
- Poor Equipment Arrangement
- Poorly Designed/Maintained Equipment

Various Names for Safety Culture

START[©]

Target Zero **BBS** (Behavior Based Safety) Safety Culture **Beyond Zero** Safety Leadership Commitment LPS[©] (Loss Prevention System) Safety Management Workforce "Culture" Attitudes & Behaviours **STEP**[©] (Safety Through Everyone's Participation)

Overall culture

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Systems

ISMS (Integrated Safety Management System)

(Safety Through Achieving Recognition Together)





The ROOT CAUSE(S)

Last Words

- ✓ Always know the scope of work you are to perform
- Always work to a Job Hazard Analysis (JHA) or Health & Safety Plan (HASP)
- ✓ Always follow procedures
- Ensure you are trained to perform your designated work
- ✓ Always wear your PPE (personal protective equipment)
- If you feel conditions are unsafe, stop work and talk to your supervisor
- How you drive on your personal time can impact your job as it impacts your MVR (motor vehicle report)



QUESTIONS ???

