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September 7, 2022: Celebrating Labor Day and our Valued Workforce

Presented by: Brian Mitchell, Executive Director from NHCOSH,

Erika Pouliot- Highliner Foods, Richard Beaumont, PeopleReady, a True Blue Company, Job Corp- Regional Program Director, Wynn Young, Office of Apprenticeship

Labor Day is also a great time to remember the importance workplace safety. Most of us show up to work each day and we take it for granted that we will return home safely. Sadly, that is not always the case. According to the National Safety Council – every 7 seconds, a worker is injured on the job – and each injury is preventable. This session will cover the importance of training our workforce from skilled laborers, temporary workers, youth as well as diversity challenges. Additional hiring and staffing resources will also be discussed from the Job Corp and the Office of Apprenticeship.

September 14, 2022: Assessing Worker Well-Being: Why and How

Presented by: Chia-Chia Chang, MBA, MPH, NIOSH

Rusty Fowler, HR Team Leader Benefits, Hypertherm

David Kiser EHS Manager, Hypertherm

Chia-Chia Chang, MBA, MPH is a Coordinator in the NIOSH Office for Total Worker Health® and the NIOSH Healthy Work Design and Well-Being Cross-Sector Program. She leads collaborations to share research and identify promising practices for advancing worker safety, health, and well-being, and she guided the development of a worker well-being framework and the NIOSH Worker Well-Being Questionnaire (WellBQ). Her previous work in the NIOSH Office of the Director includes leading enrollment and outreach for the World Trade Center Health Program and serving as liaison to the National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NACOSH). Prior to joining NIOSH, she worked on disability policy at the Social Security Administration.

Hypertherm is an associate-owned manufacturing company based in Hanover NH that prides itself in providing a safe and healthy place to work. Hypertherm is the world's leader in plasma cutting technology and also offers waterjet and 3D cutting software, among other industrial cutting solutions. Reducing ergonomic hazards and providing wellness programs and benefits are part of its core strategy to provide for the overall health and wellbeing of its workforce. Hypertherm will discuss and describe its ergonomic hazard reduction strategy and its health and wellness benefits and take aways.



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September 21, 2022: OSHA Update - In person at OTIEC in Manchester & streamed. Registration is required for in person, limit to 50 people. Sponsored by Unifil.

Presented by: Jeff Erskine, Deputy Regional Administrator

Andrew Palhof, Compliance Assistance Specialist

Joe Green, Compliance Assistance Specialist / Peter Barletta, Compliance Assistance Specialist

National and Regional Office Updates, appointments, mission goals, operational challenges, enforcement and compliance assistance.

September 28, 2022 - Risk Assessment (Machine Guarding)

Presented by: Brian Bebyn, Applegreen- Health & Safety Director

October 5, 2022 - Vehicle Hazards/Loading Docks/Yard Safety

Presented by: Brett Fortin, Compliance Assistance Specialist

Session will be an overview of hazards including "struck by" while working near or around vehicles from trailer yards and bulk warehousing facilities to landscaping and construction sites.

October 12, 2022 - OSHA Case Study

Presented by: Alexis Zecha, CSP Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)

Compliance Safety and Health Officer

Alexis will be presenting two case studies on inspections involving Powered Industrial Trucks (PITs) that she conducted.

The first of these inspections involves a tractor-trailer truck that pulled away from a loading dock while a Powered Industrial Truck (PIT) operator was operating the PIT onto the back of the trailer. The dock locking system did not stop the truck from pulling away, and the PIT fell off the back of the truck. At the same time, the PIT operator jumped off the PIT and sustained broken bones in his wrist.

The second inspection involves a tractor-trailer truck that hit a bridge in Connecticut and drove to a warehouse facility in Peabody, MA. In an attempt to stabilize the truck so that it could be unloaded, employees at the facility inserted load bars to straighten out the walls of the trailer as well as a PIT to hold the roof up. After inserting the PIT load bars,



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employees operated PITs into the trailer to unload the freight. While on the truck, the employees heard a creaking noise, and ran off the truck, while the trailer of the truck collapsed. There were no injuries.

Abatement measures for each inspection as well as a brief review of important safety points to remember for Powered Industrial Trucks (PIT) and the PIT Region 1 Local Emphasis Program will be reviewed.

October 19, 2022 - OSHA Rulemaking Process and recent updates.

Dr. Chris Rennix, ScD, SOHAS Department Keene State College

October 26, 2022 - Confined Spaces

Presented by: Blake Underhill and George Simmons, Industrial Safety & Rescue