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[OSHA Revises Injury Forms for 2004](#) - The [revised OSHA Form 300](#), Log of Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses is now available on OSHA's website. The forms, which **are required for employers to use** in recording injuries and illnesses, have changed in several important ways for 2004.

National News

[OSHA Issues Safety and Health Information Bulletin on Disposal of Contaminated Needles and Blood Tube Holders](#) - A new [Safety and Health Information Bulletin \(SHIB\)](#) issued by OSHA explains the Agency's policy on the disposal of contaminated needles and blood tube holders.

"Removing contaminated needles and reusing blood tube holders can pose multiple hazards," said OSHA Administrator John Henshaw. "Single-use blood tube holders, when used with engineering and work practice controls, simply provide the best level of protection against needlestick injuries. That is why the **standard generally prohibits removing needles and re-using blood tube holders.**"

OSHA Announces New VPP Line Up To Greatly Expand Program Benefits

VPP Challenge is designed to reach and assist companies who are willing to make a commitment to excellence, but need assistance in developing effective safety and health management systems.

VPP Corporate will streamline the application review and onsite evaluation processes for corporations that have made a commitment to VPP.

VPP Construction aims to provide the mobile construction workforce and short term projects with the same opportunity for recognition that fixed site employers receive. OSHA intends to develop and launch VPP Construction next year.

For more information about VPP, contact **Terry Terry** at **(303-844-1600, Ext. 317)**.

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OSHA Fatal Facts

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This newsletter is distributed quarterly. E-mail [George Flynn](#) to subscribe or to submit comments, questions or suggestions.

OSHA Forms Alliance with Pueblo Community College – The OSHA Englewood Area Office and [Pueblo Community College](#) will work together to achieve the following training and education goals:

- Develop training and outreach programs for both general industry and construction to target the appropriate workforce including spanish-speaking workers.
- Jointly deliver or arrange for delivery of OSHA-specific courses, at minimal cost.

For more information about this Alliance, contact **George Flynn** at **(303-843-4500, Ext. 132)**.

OSHA Launches 3 New Enforcement Programs - As a result of three new Regional Emphasis Programs (REPs), inspections are beginning for Colorado employers in the following industry sectors:

- Warehousing and Public Storage (SIC 422)
- Tree-Trimming (SIC 0782 & 0783)
- Concrete Products (SIC 3271, 3272 & 3273)

Note: Groups and associations interested in hosting low- or no-cost training for their members or clients, who may be affected by these programs, should contact **Megan Meagher** at **(303-844-5285; Ext. 105)** or **George Flynn** at **(303-843-4500; Ext. 132)** for further information.

Focus On

OSHA Alliance Program - OSHA's new program, Alliances, enables organizations committed to workplace safety and health to collaborate with OSHA to prevent injuries and illnesses in the workplace.

Who Can Participate in an Alliance? Alliances are open to all groups, including: Trade or professional organizations; Businesses Labor organizations; Educational institutions Government agencies.

How to Get Started? For national Alliances, contact OSHA's Office of Outreach Services and Alliances at 202-693-2340. For regional or local Alliances, call **Megan Meagher** at **(303-844-5285; Ext. 105)** or **George Flynn** at **(303-843-4500; Ext. 132)**.

OSHA Recordkeeping Training in Greeley

OSHA will be training on Injury and Illness Recordkeeping at the **Employment Services of Weld County** in Greeley, on **November 13th**, from **9:00AM to Noon**. This seminar is offered at **no cost**.

Call **970-353-3800; Ext. 3371** to for reservations.

OSHA Training Institute - Rocky Mountain Education Center at Red Rocks



Ph: (800) 933-8394

Colorado OSHA Fact

Colorado has two Area Offices. Click [Here](#) for jurisdictional and contact information.

Colorado Enforcement Programs

Denver Office:

Falls
Lead in Radiator Shops
Silica in Stone Fabricators
Logging

Englewood Office:

Residential Scaffolds and Landscaping
Logging
Woodworking
MDI in Truck Bedliners

Regional/National

Needlesticks
Trenching
Amputations
Warehousing
Tree-Trimming
Concrete Products

Colorado Partnerships

Englewood Office:

Denver Office:

VMAC (VA Medical Center in Cheyenne)

Joint Partnerships:

HOMESAFE (Residential Homebuilding)
Western Chapter of ABC (General Construction)