

# New Compliance Assistance Resources: OSHA, Harwood Grantee, Alliance Program, and NIOSH

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## I. OSHA Compliance Assistance Products

OSHA issued the following new or updated compliance assistance products in the first quarter of FY 2016. For a listing of all new compliance assistance products issued by OSHA, see OSHA’s [New Compliance Assistance Products](#) Web page.

## OSHA Web Resources

<p><b>Report a Fatality or Severe Injury</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All employers are required to notify OSHA when an employee is killed on the job or suffers a work-related hospitalization, amputation, or loss of an eye.</li> <li>• A fatality must be reported within 8 hours.</li> <li>• An in-patient hospitalization, amputation, or eye loss must be reported within 24 hours.</li> </ul>  <p><b>To Make a Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call the nearest <a href="#">OSHA office</a>.</li> <li>• Call the OSHA 24-hour hotline at <a href="tel:1-800-321-6742">1-800-321-6742</a> (OSHA).</li> <li>• <a href="#">Report online</a></li> </ul> 	<p><b><a href="#">Reporting a Fatality or Severe Injury</a> (updated 2015, December)</b></p> <p>This page summarizes how employers can meet the requirement to notify OSHA when an employee is killed on the job or suffers a work-related hospitalization, amputation, or loss of an eye. The page now allows employers to submit reports online.</p>
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**[2016 National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction \(2015, December\)](#)**

OSHA, NIOSH, and the Center for Construction Research and Training will hold the third annual National Safety Stand-Down on May 2-6, 2016. Falls are the leading cause of death in the construction industry, and lack of proper fall protection remains the most frequently cited violation by OSHA. This year, the stand-down will highlight ladder safety and encourage employers to pause during their workday for topic talks, demonstrations, and training.



**[Hazard Communication \(updated 2015, October\)](#)**

This updated web page incorporates drop-down tabs to all topics related to the revised standard, including access to letters of interpretation, the standard, guidance documents and frequently asked questions.

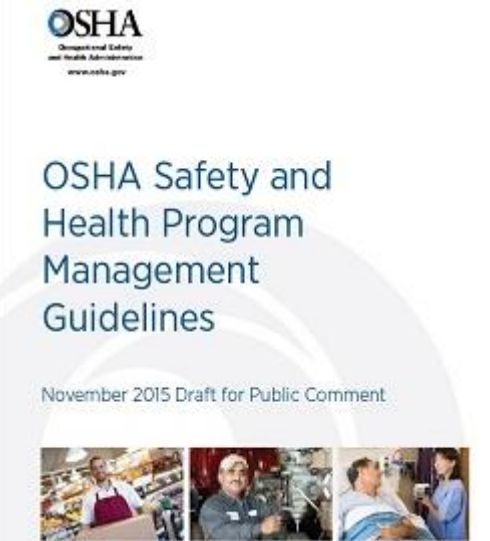



**Preventing Workplace Violence:  
A Road Map for Healthcare Facilities**

**[Preventing Workplace Violence in Healthcare \(2015, November\)](#)**

This new web page addresses workplace violence prevention in healthcare settings. It contains tools to help healthcare facilities design a violence prevention program. The page also provides real-life examples from healthcare facilities that have integrated successful workplace violence prevention programs.

## Featured OSHA Publications

	<p><b><u><a href="#">Draft OSHA Safety and Health Program Management Guidelines (2015, November)</a></u></b></p> <p>OSHA has issued a <b>draft</b> updated version of its voluntary Safety and Health Program Management Guidelines, first published in 1989. The guidelines are intended to help employers establish safety and health plans at their workplaces. OSHA is accepting public comments until Feb. 15, 2016.</p>
	<p><b><u><a href="#">Trenching and Excavation Safety. OSHA Publication 2226 (updated 2015, October)</a></u></b></p> <p>This updated booklet highlights key elements of the applicable workplace standards and describes safe practices that employers can follow to protect workers from cave-ins and other hazards.</p>

## Other New OSHA Publications

### Fact Sheets

- [Agricultural Safety: Preventing Farm Vehicle Backover Incidents](#). OSHA Publication 3840 (2015, December).
- [Agriculture Safety: Protecting Agricultural Workers from Tractor Hazards](#). OSHA Publication FS-3835 (2015, October)

- [Shipyard Employment: Hazards During the Repair and Maintenance of Refrigeration Systems on Vessels](#). OSHA Publication 3836 (2015, November).
- Whistleblower: Filing Whistleblower Complaints under Section 11(c) of the OSH Act of 1970
  - [English](#). OSHA Publication 3812 (2015, July).
  - [Spanish](#). OSHA Publication 3841 (2015, December).
- Whistleblower: Filing Whistleblower Complaints under the Clean Air Act
  - [English](#). OSHA Publication 3784 (2015, July).
  - [Spanish](#). OSHA Publication 3830 (2015, November).
- Whistleblower: Filing Whistleblower Complaints under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act
  - [English](#). OSHA Publication 3813 (2015, June).
  - [Spanish](#). OSHA Publication 3829 (2015, November).
- Whistleblower: Filing Whistleblower Complaints under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act
  - [English](#). OSHA Publication 3785 (2015, July).
  - [Spanish](#). OSHA Publication 3831 (2015, November).
- Whistleblower: Filing Whistleblower Complaints under the Safe Drinking Water Act
  - [English](#). OSHA Publication 3786 (2015, July).
  - [Spanish](#). OSHA Publication 3832 (2015, November).
- Whistleblower: Filing Whistleblower Complaints under the Seaman's Protection Act
  - [English](#). OSHA Publication 3762 (2015, July).
  - [Spanish](#). OSHA Publication 3782, (2015, November).
- Whistleblower: Filing Whistleblower Complaints under the Solid Waste Disposal Act
  - [English](#). OSHA Publication 3815 (2015, June).
  - [Spanish](#). OSHA Publication 3833 (2015, November).
- Whistleblower: Filing Whistleblower Complaints under the Toxic Substances Control Act
  - [English](#). OSHA Publication 3814 (2015, June).
  - [Spanish](#). OSHA Publication 3830 (2015, November)

#### Posters

- Job Safety and Health – It's the Law Poster
  - [Arabic](#). OSHA Publication 3838 (2015, November).
  - [French \(Creole\)](#). OSHA Publication 3839 (2015, November).
  - [Vietnamese](#). OSHA Publication 3837 (2015, November).
  - [All Languages](#)

#### Safety and Health Information Bulletins

- [Carbon Monoxide Explosion Hazards in Electric Arc Furnace Steelmaking Operations](#) (2015, December).

## OSHA Videos



### [Temporary Worker Safety and Health](#) (2015, November)

In this video, OSHA Assistant Secretary Dr. David Michaels emphasizes the shared responsibility of staffing firms and host employers in ensuring the safety and health of temporary workers. Dr. Michaels is joined in the video by Stephen Dwyer, general counsel of the American Staffing Association, an [OSHA Alliance participant](#).



### [2016 Step Up for Safety in the Upstream Oil and Gas Industry](#) (2015, December)

Dr. David Michaels of OSHA and Dr. John Howard of NIOSH thank participants in the 2016 Step Up for Safety in the Upstream Oil and Gas Industry. The initiative consists of safety stand-down events for the oil and gas industry organized through an [Alliance](#) between OSHA, NIOSH and the National Service, Transmission, Exploration & Production Safety (STEPS) Network.

## OSHA Outreach Spotlight



[Compliance Assistance Specialists](#) (CASs) and other OSHA staff conduct outreach activities around the country. The following highlights some recent outreach activities.



### [OSHA's Little Rock, Arkansas Area Office Holds Stand-Down to Prevent Amputations.](#) (2015, October).

In response to a high number of workplace amputations in Arkansas, OSHA's Little Rock, Arkansas Area Office worked with the Arkansas Consultation Program and other organizations to hold a stand-down event in September 2015 to raise awareness of amputation hazards. As a result of the stand-down, 16,451 participants received amputation awareness training, 2,723 self-audits were conducted, 3,380 hazards were identified, and 7,416 workers were removed from identified amputation hazards.

## II. Harwood Grant Materials



Susan Harwood  
Training Grant Program

No new materials developed by grantees under OSHA's Susan Harwood Training Grant Program were posted on the OSHA Web site in the first quarter of FY 2016. See the [OSHA Web site](#) for a complete list of a materials developed by Harwood grantees. These materials do not necessarily reflect the official views of OSHA.

### III. Alliance Program Materials



The following products were issued by OSHA’s Alliance Program participants as part of the Alliance Program in the first quarter of FY 2016. These products do not necessarily reflect the official views of OSHA. For a complete listing of Alliance products, see the [Alliance Program Participants Developed Products](#) page.

<p>OSHA Airline Ground Safety Alliance</p>  <p><b>Toolbox Talk</b></p> <p><b><u>Cold Injury &amp; Illness Identification, First Aid and Prevention</u></b></p> <p>Cold environments present unique hazards for workers. Overexposure to extreme cold weather can quickly become a dangerous condition causing a variety of health emergencies, including frostbite, hypothermia, and chilblains.</p> <p>Airport workers can be subject to cold stress in several settings, such as on the ramp surface and working with metal equipment. Cold stress occurs when an individual’s skin and core temperature drop. Employers may use this toolbox talk to educate employees about the hazards leading to cold stress illnesses and injuries and how to prevent them.</p>	<p><b><u>Cold Illness Identification Toolbox Talk (2015, November)</u></b></p> <p>Through the OSHA and Airline Ground Safety Panel (AGSP) Alliance, the AGSP developed a toolbox talk that identifies the symptoms and appropriate responses to cold stress and how to prevent it.</p>
	<p><b><u>Protecting Patients and Staff from Infection Risks: Cleaning and Disinfecting Environmental Surfaces (2015, October)</u></b></p> <p>Through the OSHA and Joint Commission/Joint Commission Resources Alliance, the Joint Commission developed this article on preventing infections at health care facilities while protecting workers from health hazards associated with cleaning products.</p>

## IV. NIOSH Resources



### FACE Reports and Products



The NIOSH Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation (FACE) Program conducts investigations on workplace fatalities to identify the factors that contributed to these fatal injuries. This information is used to develop comprehensive recommendations for preventing similar deaths. The [NIOSH Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation \(FACE\) Program](#) issued the following reports and products in the first quarter of FY 2016.

### Featured FACE Reports and Products

<p>From 1990-2013 <b>442 HISPANICS DIED ON THE JOB</b> in New Jersey* Many more were severely injured, maimed, or disabled for life. *Source: NIOSH Fatal Occupational Injuries Project</p> <p>That's 18 fatalities per year!</p> <p>Male 97% Female 3%</p> <p><b>HOW did they die?</b> 24% Falls 21% Motor Vehicles 15% Homicides 13% Machine-Related 7% Struck by 4% Electrocutions 3% Fires/Explosions 2% Suicides 9% Other**</p> <p>What was their AGE? 16% were under 25 years old when they died</p> <p>8 died of gunshot wounds 17 were non-US citizens 63 were men 7 fell to their death 4 were women</p>	<p><a href="#">New Jersey FACE Infographic: Hispanic Workplace Fatalities in New Jersey (2015, November)</a></p> <p>This infographic highlights statistics on workplace fatalities of Hispanics in New Jersey from 1990 to 2013. The infographic is also available in <a href="#">Spanish</a>.</p>
	<p><a href="#">New York FACE Video: Plumber Killed in a Catastrophic Trench Collapse (2015, November)</a></p> <p>This video reviews a FACE report about a plumber who was killed in a trench collapse in New York.</p>



## **Other New FACE Reports and Products**

- [Hispanic Scrap Yard Worker Dies When Struck By Material Handler at Metal Recycling Facility - South Carolina](#) (2015, December)
- [Grade Checker Severely Injured When Backed Over by Grader - Washington](#) (2015, December)
  - Fatality Narrative [as slideshow](#)
- [Young Worker Dies After Falling Through Skylight \(Toolbox Talk Guide\) - Oregon](#) (2015, December)
- [Hispanic Laborer Drowns After Falling into Landscaping Pond \(Toolbox Talk Guide\) - Oregon](#) (2015, December)
- [Millwright Fatality Involving a Hydraulic Accumulator \(Toolbox Talk Guide\) - Oregon](#) (2015, December)
- [Warehouse Worker Falls From Elevated Forklift Platform - New Jersey](#) (2015, November)
- [Batch Maker Dies after Toxic Exposure to Toluene Vapor - New Jersey](#) (2015, November)
- Ladder Safety on the Job Website - New Jersey: [English](#) and [Spanish](#) (2015, November)
- [Tractor Operator Dies When Tractor Rolls Over On Road - Washington](#) (2015, November)
  - Fatality Narrative [as slideshow](#)
- [Laborer Compressed between the Top Rail of a Scissor Lift Guardrail and a Steel Beam - Massachusetts](#) (2015, October)
- [Temporary Worker Fell from a Fixed Ladder Inside a Building Being Renovated - Massachusetts](#) (2015, October)
- [Cell Tower Technician Dies After Antenna Array Falls and Decapitates Him - Kentucky](#) (2015, October)
- [Pipe Layer Severely Injured in Trench Collapse - Washington](#) (2015, October)
  - Fatality Narrative [as slideshow](#)

**NIOSH Workplace Solutions**

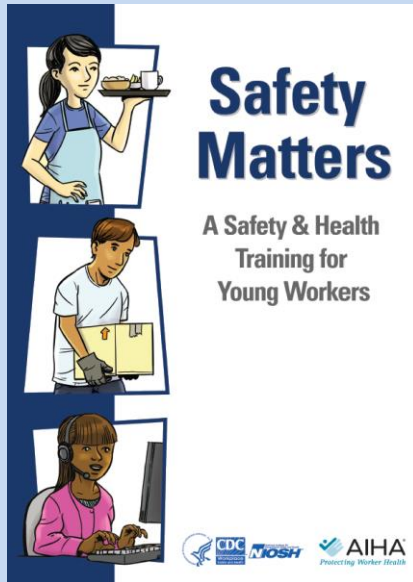
**WORKPLACE SOLUTIONS**

*From the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health*

The [NIOSH Workplace Solutions series](#) offers easy-to-understand recommendations that turn the results of NIOSH research into occupational safety and health practice. NIOSH issued the following Workplace solutions in the first quarter of FY 2016:

- [Preventing Hazardous Noise and Hearing Loss during Project Design and Operation](#) (2015, November)

## Other NIOSH Resources



**Safety Matters**. NIOSH and the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) (Nov. 2015)

NIOSH and AIHA developed this program to raise awareness among young people about workplace safety and health. *Safety Matters* is a one-hour interactive teaching module and PowerPoint presentation targeted to students in grades 7 through 12. It can be used by safety professionals to equip young people with the skills and knowledge they need to participate in safe and healthy work environments throughout their working lives. See the [NIOSH Science Blog](#) for more information.