



S.A.F.E. Newsletter



National Safety Month

Each June, we celebrate National Safety Month. While we all know safety is important year-round, this month we work to highlight efforts to prevent injury and death, from the workplace to anyplace.



Safety Engagement

Unengaged workers may be at risk for complacency, and complacency in the workplace can have serious consequences. Anyone can fall victim to complacency, but getting engaged in your job and organization's success can help turn things around. If you find yourself getting complacent at work, don't assume there are no options for improvement. Speak up, get involved, and ask for help when needed. We all work better when we're part of an engaged team.

Roadway Safety



There are many factors that contribute to your safety and the safety of others on the road. Being aware of your surroundings and understanding how to share the road safely with others improves your chances of avoiding potentially deadly situations. As drivers, we are responsible for our roadway community by learning and making a commitment to drive safely and defensively to reduce traffic collisions and violations.



Risk Reduction

Hazards are everywhere. Though you might not view your work area as particularly 'hazardous', dangers are often there. You may have just become accustomed to them and aren't seeing them. Once you train yourself to spot the hazards, you'll notice them all around you. They may not always be obvious or immediate concerns, but they can still pose a risk to you and your coworkers. The sooner they're fixed, the better.

Slips, Trips and Falls



Though they might seem harmless, slips, trips, and falls are some of the most common hazards we face in the workplace and can have serious consequences. Following safety procedures is crucial to avoiding injury, but so is speaking up to keep your coworkers safe. When you see a risk with a simple fix, don't hesitate to fix it safely - at work, at home, or out in the community.



Just Drive.

At least eight people a day are killed in distracted driving crashes. Handheld and hands-free phone calls and texts, emails, social media, passengers, snacks and even built-in vehicle touchscreens are just some of the distractions fighting for your attention on the road.

Here's a simple way to think about it: if something requires your hands, your eyes or your attention while you're driving, it's a distraction. Distracted driving isn't just risky for you, it can be deadly for every nearby driver, pedestrian, bicyclist and worker.

Pledge to avoid distracted driving and help everyone around you get home safe.

Don't fall victim to complacency

One worker's complacency is another worker's injury. Try these 5 simple tips to get engaged and stay safe on the job:

1

Kick off your next meeting with a safety talk



2

Lead an ergonomic stretch break during your next staff meeting



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Watch out for hazards and report them immediately



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Join a workplace safety committee to make improvements or suggest new ideas



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Look at your tasks from a fresh perspective and ask yourself: if this was your first day, what would you do differently?



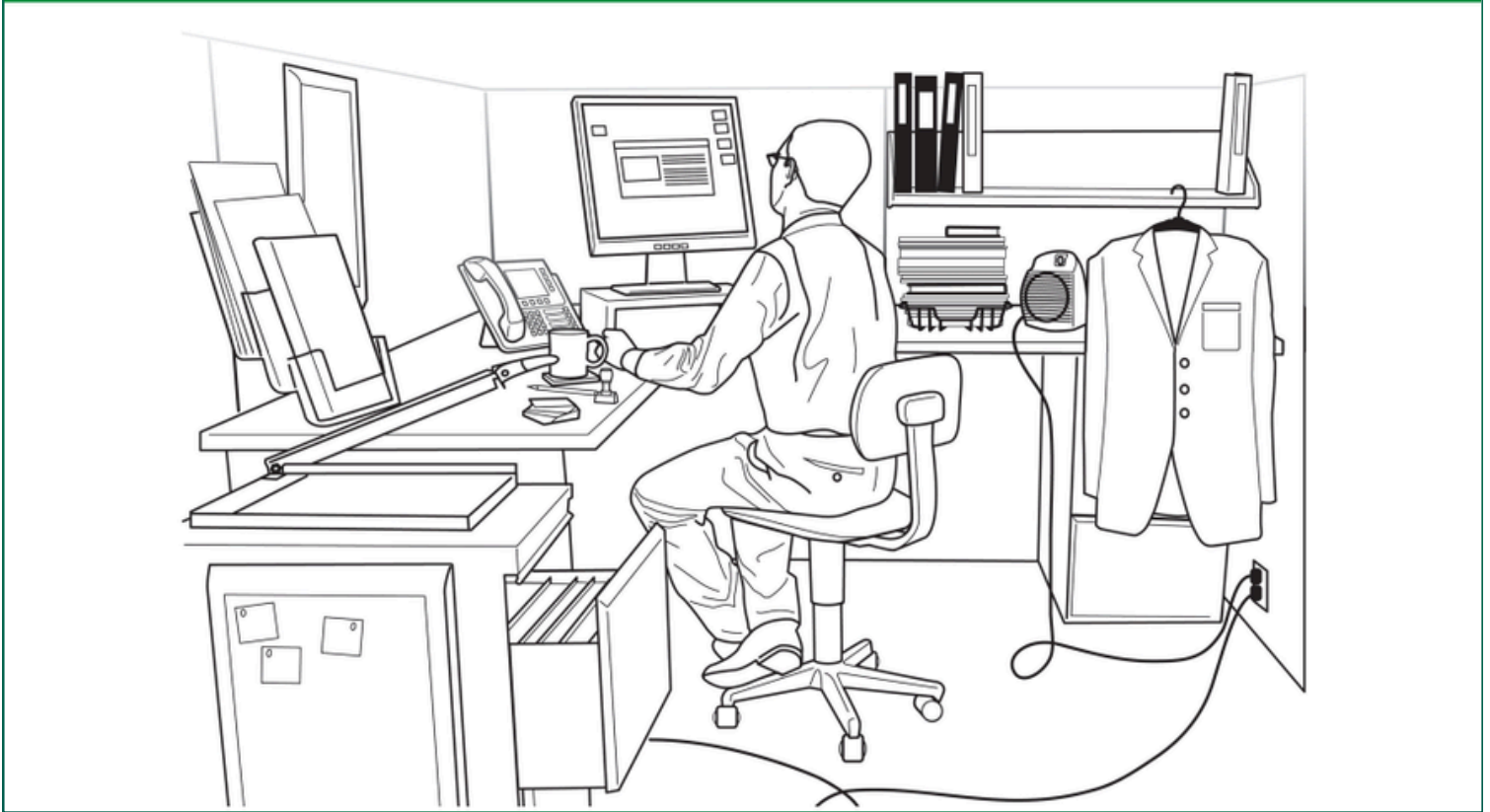
Complacency affects every workplace and employee to different degrees. It often shows up as a feeling of security that leads to a lack of awareness of your surroundings.

Though you might think you are immune, it can be as simple as letting your guard down, losing focus or not looking for hazards as often as you should.

Depending on your role, this can create serious risks for yourself and others in your workplace. While no one plans to become complacent, we all have to be on the lookout for it, and being an engaged worker can help.

Spot the hazard!

Circle as many hazards as you can find in the scene below.



Fall Prevention

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DISTRACTION

ELEVATION

FOOTWEAR

LADDER

LIGHTING

OBSTRUCTION

RAILINGS

SPILLS

WALKWAYS

