Sharing Knowledge in the SafetyNet Online Community

Recent postings have included questions about sit/stand workstations, health records retention and rally points for fire evacuation. Join in and give other members the benefit of your experience - respond through community emails or log in through www.minnesotasafetycouncil.org/mo and click the "SafetyNet" link.

Forgot your ID number? Enter your e-mail address into the "Forgot Your Password?" box on the right side of the Members Only homepage and submit it. You'll receive an e-mail momentarily.

Prescription Nation 2018: Facing America's Opioid Epidemic

An extensive review conducted by the National Safety Council looks at the scope of the opioid crisis and evaluates how states are taking action.

New Resources

**Top 10 Most Dangerous Jobs of 2018**: A look at the most dangerous occupations in the U.S., as measured by fatal work injury rate.

**Falling Behind on Electrical Safety**: A new report from NFPA shows about one-third of states are skipping one or more updates of NFPA 70 National Electrical Code, and other states are amending the code to remove safety requirements.

**Preventing Hearing Loss Caused by Chemical and Noise Exposure**: New NIOSH Safety and Health Bulletin with information on preventing hearing loss caused by ototoxic chemicals and noise exposure.

**Musculoskeletal Health Research to Benefit Construction Workers**: A summary of recent research NIOSH has done on preventing musculoskeletal disorders among construction workers.

MN Excavation Stand-down, April 16-20; National Safety Stand-down, May 7-11

MNOSHA and other safety partners are promoting the state's second annual Excavation Safety Stand-down, April 16-20. Trench collapses have killed three Minnesota workers since 2015. More information on the MNOSHA website. Also, plan now to join the National Safety Stand-down
to Prevent Falls in Construction, May 7-11. Learn more on the MNOSHA website.

**Resources for Distracted Driving; Statewide Tornado Drill**

**April is Distracted Driving Month**; sign up for the National Safety Council's [free distracted driving webinar](#) scheduled for April 19, 11 a.m. to learn more about engaging ways to address distracted driving at work. Find additional [resources for the workplace](#) on our website or contact Lisa Kons for campaign ideas.

It’s **Severe Weather Awareness Week**, and the [statewide tornado drill](#) is this Thursday, April 12 - a good opportunity to support your organization's "take shelter" plan.

**Upcoming Events**

**Calendar of Safety Observances**

- **April 11-12** Defensive Driving Course, Basic (8-hour)
- **April 11-13** Defensive Driving Course, Instructor Development (8-hour)
- **April 12** Emergency Response Initial Training (HAZWOPER), 8-hour
- **April 12** Emergency Response Refresher (HAZWOPER)
- **April 13, May 15** Forklift Train-the-Trainer
- **April 16** Confined Space Entry
- **April 17** 13th Annual Northern Minnesota Safety Conference, Bemidji
- **April 17** Defensive Driving Course, Basic (4-hour)
- **April 17-18** Defensive Driving Course, Instructor Development (4-hour)
- **April 17-20** OSHA #510 - Occupational Safety & Health Standards for the Construction Industry
- **April 23** Electrical Safety in the Workplace: NFPA 70E
- **April 24** Fall Protection for General Industry Train-the-Trainer PLUS
- **April 24-27** Safety Management Techniques
- **April 26** First Aid/CPR/AED Training
- **April 27, May 4** Forklift Train-the-Trainer PLUS
- **April 30 - May 1** 10-hour OSHA General Industry Safety and Health Training

- **May 2-4** OSHA #502 - Update for Construction Industry Outreach Trainers
- **May 3** Aerial Platform Train-the-Trainer

**May 8-10 Minnesota Safety & Health Conference**

- **May 14** OSHA Recordkeeping: Beyond the Basics
- **May 15-18** OSHA #511 - Occupational Safety & Health Standards for General Industry

Complete training schedule available [online](#).

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