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AWCBC Safety & Prevention Committee Roadmap

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Agenda



About the Safety & Prevention Committee

Mandate
Meetings
Membership



Goals



OHS Management System Harmonization



Psychological Health & Safety

About the Committee

Executive Sponsor:

- Anne Naser, CEO WorkSafeBC

Co-chairs:

- Chris Back, BC
- Jonathan Sherman, SK

Mandate

- To support and assist each other in developing and implementing workplace health, safety and prevention strategies.

Meetings

- At least two virtual meetings per year
- Annual in-person meeting
- Additional annual in-person meeting

 Workers' Safety and
Compensation Board
Yukon

WSCC

WORK SAFE BC

Wcb
Workers' Compensation Board - Alberta

Wcb
Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board

WCB
Workers Compensation Board of Manitoba

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CNESST

WorkplaceNL
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Safety Matters @Work
Workers' Compensation Board of PEI

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WORKSAFE
TRAVAIL SÉCURITAIRE NB

Membership

Goal #1 - Healthcare Sector

Description:

- Establish a sub-committee of the AWCBC Prevention Committee to determine the critical elements for the prevention of psychological harm in workplace.

Target Date:

- Spring 2024

Resources:

- Manitoba (lead)
- Participating jurisdictions: Manitoba, Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan, BC.

Status:

- The working group has been formed and a Terms of Reference drafted for review

Goal #2 - Mental Health

Description:

- Share current psychological health & safety activities and progress across jurisdictions

Target Date:

- Spring 2024

Resources:

- Subcommittees from Goals 1 & 4
- All committee member participation

Status:

- Discussions will continue throughout 2023/2024

Goal #3 - Certification Harmonization

Description:

- Focus on reciprocity and equivalency of OHSMS certification programs within and across jurisdictions

Target Date:

- Spring 2024

Resources:

- BC (lead)
- Participating jurisdictions: BC, Alberta, Yukon, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, NWT & NU, Ontario, and Nova Scotia.

Status:

- Jurisdictional questionnaire currently in development with anticipated June 2023 distribution

Goal #4 - Changing Workplaces

Description:

- Identify gaps in prevention efforts related to trends **related to workers** including but not limited to worker engagement, vulnerability, and equity/diversity/inclusion.

Target Date:

- Spring 2024

Resources:

- Ontario (lead)
- Participating jurisdictions: Ontario, Newfoundland, and PEI

Status:

- Jurisdictional scan is complete with key findings summarized

OHS Management System Harmonization

OHSMS Standards

- Jurisdictional scan
- Large undertaking

Auditor Qualifications and Training

- Guideline developed
- Published later this year
- Jurisdictional use as needed

Equivalency and Reciprocity

- Jurisdictional scan to come

What's next??

- Continue this approach at a national level

Psychological Health & Safety

Small business
PH&S toolkit

Tools and
resources for
return to work

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Supporting a
safety systems
approach



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