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|  Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board | Part: | Workplace Safety & Prevention | | |
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PREVENTION

GENERAL INFORMATION

The purpose of prevention is to stop work-related injuries from happening in the workplace.

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The *Workers' Compensation Act* S.Y. 2008 (the "Act") and the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board (YWCHSB) encourage health care providers, workers, employers and other parties to work co-operatively and to explore all reasonable, creative and flexible solutions to design plans that will prevent work-related injuries. Preventing workplace injuries is the responsibility of everyone in the workplace. When injuries do occur, it is important for workers, employers and the YWCHSB to try to minimize the impacts by focusing on returning the worker to safe, suitable and available work as soon as it is medically possible for the worker to do so during the recovery process.

POLICY

The YWCHSB recognizes the shared responsibility in the promotion of prevention activities by both employers and employees in the workplace.

The YWCHSB asserts that work-related injuries can be prevented and is committed to a proactive approach to the prevention of work-related injuries in the Yukon.

Effective and efficient programs for prevention shall be the guiding principle of the YWCHSB.

The YWCHSB, as an employer, is committed to be a Yukon role model in promoting the prevention of work-related injuries.

The YWCHSB shall build internal and external alliances to work collaboratively with and assist stakeholders in the prevention of work-related injuries.

The administration of the YWCHSB shall develop an annual operational plan which reflects the Strategic Plan of the Board of Directors and this philosophy of prevention.

ACT REFERENCES

Sections 1 and 96 *Occupational Health and Safety Act*
Occupational Health and Safety Regulations

HISTORY

GC-10, "Prevention", effective May 9, 1995, revoked July 1, 2008.