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PSHSA recognized as 5-star safety trainer

We are excited to announce that PSHSA has recently been recognized by **Canadian Occupational Safety** as a 5-Star Safety and Training award winner!

"It's an honour to be recognized for the work that we do every day to make workplaces across the province safer and healthier," says Rebekah Warner, director, market optimization and client experience at PSHSA.

We would also like to congratulate PSHSA consultant, Dave Fretz for his individual recognition!



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National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The day honours the lost children and survivors of residential schools, their families and communities. Let's join together on the path to reconciliation through personal reflection, education and awareness activities.



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PSHSA's 2021 - 2022 Annual General Meeting

Yesterday, PSHSA held our annual general meeting. We wanted to thank everyone for joining us virtually and in-person, see you on September 28, 2023!

"This past year presented numerous new opportunities, but above all it crystallized an exciting new vision PSHSA is

actively working toward. As we look to the future, we see a connected and centralized health and safety ecosystem that takes a whole-person approach to employee wellbeing. At PSHSA, we will be investing and reinvesting in the development of emerging predictive health and safety solutions that are targeted at workplace wellbeing and on the leading edge in learning technology."

- PSHSA CEO and COO, Glenn Cullen



Our 2021 - 2022 annual report "Infinite" is now available

Health and Safety Tip

Use the 20/20/20 rule when viewing your computer screen for long periods of time to prevent eye strain. Every 20 minutes, focus on an object 20 feet away for 20 seconds.



Psychological health and safety highlighted at Partners in Prevention North

At WSPS's Partners in Prevention North in Thunder Bay, PSHSA's Sherri Bastos and Tegan Slot will be sharing information on new and emerging programs, resources, and tools to elevate workplace health and safety, improve employee retention, manage employee mental health concerns, and best practices by adopting psychological health and safety prevention strategies in the workplace.



Where:

Victoria Inn Hotel & Convention Centre
555 Arthur St. W.
Thunder Bay, Ontario
P7E 5R5

When:

November 1 and 2, 2022

PSHSA Sessions:

Series 2, 1:45 – 2:45 pm - *"Workplace Psychological Health and Safety: Supporting Staff Retention, Mental Health, and Stay at Work/ Return to Work Programs"* with **Tegan Slot**, Lead, Specialized Services, PSHSA

Series 4, 9:15 – 10:15 am - *"Preventing Occupational Stress Injuries: Supporting Mental Health and Resiliency at the Workplace"* with Sherri Bastos, Director, Stakeholder and

[Learn more and register](#)

Emergency Services - Electrical safety

As emergency responders, the very nature of your work often puts you in hazardous situations. [Hydro One](#) has safety information about high-voltage electrical equipment and facilities that require additional cautionary measures.

[Learn more](#)

[View PSHSA's electrical safety handbook for Emergency Responders](#)



Good ergonomics: Adapting the job to fit the person

October is Global Ergonomics Month!

This international effort to raise awareness of ergonomics and musculoskeletal disorder hazards in the workplace is a great time to look at where and how you or your employees work. PSHSA has many resources available, including training, ergonomic assessments and webinars, to help support any prevention efforts.

[Learn more](#)



Updates from Ontario's Prevention System

Hazard Alert: Preventing fires caused by IV fluids getting into electrical outlets

The [Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development \(MLITSD\)](#) recently posted a hazard alert related to fire hazard and IV lines dripping.

There is an increased risk of fire if IV bags (pressurized or unpressurized) are hung where there is the possibility of liquid leaking and dripping into an electrical outlet where equipment (such as an infusion or IV pump) is plugged in. This is a fire hazard in health care settings and an immediate concern for



the safety of workers.

Workplaces are encouraged to review the alert and implement the necessary actions to reduce the risk.

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Using masks in the workplace

Wearing a mask correctly and consistently is an effective way to prevent getting and spreading COVID-19. The MLITSD recently posted changes to the workplace masking guidance to include additional information about mask fit and filtration.

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WSIB 2023 grants competition is now open for proposals

The WSIB's Research and Grants Program enhances workplace injury and illness insurance system outcomes by supporting innovative proposals that help advance WSIB's strategic mandate.

The 2023 Research and Grants Program will focus on research that can help make Ontario the safest place to work. Four considerations for the competition include:

1. how we work
2. how we approach health and safety
3. how we support return-to-work and recovery
4. how we meet our customers' expectations

The WSIB is accepting initial proposals until Friday, October 14, 2022.

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Upcoming Training

We've upgraded our online training registration and delivery platform. For support or assistance or to access purchases made before June 30, 2022, please contact our Client Experience Team at clientexperience@pshsa.ca.

FEATURED COURSES

Joint Health and Safety Committee (JHSC)

Certification Part One - Classroom Training

This three-day course covers the first part of the training required for you to be a member of a workplace **JHSC**. Combined with Part Two, it leads to certification under Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development (MLITSD) guidelines.



Learning Objectives

In Part One you will learn about:

- Relevant legislation
- Your legal rights and responsibilities as a JHSC member
- Common workplace hazards and key steps to addressing them
- How to conduct workplace inspections and accident investigations
- How to function effectively as a JHSC member

When:

October 11, 2022

Where:

1 Valhalla Inn Road, Thunder Bay, ON M9B 1S9

Learn more and register

Distance Learning

Distance Learning is facilitator-led training delivered online in real-time, providing participants with the same critical content and access to expert guidance as the classroom equivalent.



JHSC Certification Part 1

October
18

November 1

November 8



JHSC Certification Part 2, General Workplace Specific Hazards

October
19

October
25

October 27



JHSC Certification Refresher

October
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October
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October
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Health and Safety for Building Inspectors

October
13

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Classroom Training



JHSC Certification Part 1



**JHSC Certification Part 2,
General Workplace
Specific Hazards**



Working at Heights

Peterborough -October
4

Toronto - October
13

Peterborough -
November 23

Thunder Bay -October
11

Barrie -October
26

Ottawa - October
18

Ottawa -November
22

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eLearning



**Health and Safety
Representative
(HSR) Basic
Training**

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**eOfficeErgo:
Ergonomics
eLearning for
Office Workers**

[Register](#)



**Slips Trips and Fall
Prevention**

[Register](#)



WHMIS 2015

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Questions about COVID-19 in the workplace? Visit the PSHSA's COVID-19 Resource Centre

For the latest information about how to protect yourself, what to do if you're experiencing symptoms, job guidance for employers and workers, and more, visit our [COVID-19 Resource Centre](#). As always, please [contact your consultant](#) with any specific occupational health & safety questions you may have.

Have You Missed Any of Our Past Newsletters? Fret not! They can be found [on our website](#).

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