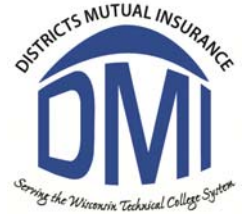


WTCS Risk & Loss Control Committee Recommendation for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Job Evaluations

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NOTE: The WTCS Risk & Loss Control Committee meets quarterly to assist in developing minimum recommendations regarding environmental, health and safety policies. One such recommendation is provided below and is being forwarded to the WTCS Risk Managers as a resource for their respective District

Identified concern:

Non-compliance with OSHA and Department of Commerce codes which requires job evaluations to determine the appropriate required PPE.

WTCS Risk & Loss Control Committee Recommendations:

It is the recommendation of the WTCS Risk and Loss Control Committee (hereafter referred to as the “Committee”) that the Safety/Loss Prevention/Risk Management program of each Technical College develop and implement an effective process to evaluate jobs to determine required Personal Protective Equipment, as required by OSHA 29 CFR 1910.132 Department of Commerce, Chapter 32.

To assist in this recommendation, the committee recommends that Districts not yet having such a process, utilize the Occupational Safety and Health Administration Personal Protective Equipment eTool, available on their website at: <http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/personalprotectiveequipment/index.html>. Districts may choose to use comparable documents/programs. The goal is for all Districts to be implementing an effective process to evaluate jobs for required Personal Protective Equipment.

The intent of this process is to provide workers with the understanding of the importance of Personal Protective Equipment as well the ramifications for not following PPE standards. In order to meet this intent, the elements of a PPE Evaluation program should include at a minimum:

1. How to conduct the evaluation,
2. Understand what standards apply,
3. Purpose of PPE,
4. Limitations of PPE,
5. Care, storage and use of PPE,
6. How to obtain PPE.

Any questions on the above information, please contact the DMI Risk and Loss Control Consultant at: 414-403-9343 or tim@districtsmutualinsurance.com.

NOTE: Many WTCS Districts have in place a variety of policies/activities to address various environmental, health and safety programs. This information is intended to provide “guidance” and not strict policy as Districts look at their needs and dynamics. The subject information, and documents found on the Districts Mutual Insurance (DMI) website may be used to develop program requirements by other Districts, however, there is no guarantee of completeness or inclusion of all possible factors and situations present within each District. For questions, contact: Tim Greene, DMI Risk and Loss Control Consultant at tim@districtsmutualinsurance.com or (414) 403-9343.