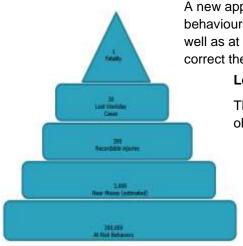


Safety Talk



Near Miss Incident - March 2023



A new approach to safety is behavioural based safety; which incorporates at-risk behaviours that a worker demonstrates during the tasks performed at the workplace, as well as at home. This theory suggests that workplace parties have a huge opportunity to correct these at-risk behaviours before they become a near miss.

Levels of Commitment to Safety

There are levels of commitment through the behavior-based safety that can be observed by the supervisor within the work day.

Level 1 – Comply to safety when it is convenient

Level 2 - Comply to safety when we have to

Level 3 – Believe in safety for themselves and their family

Level 4 – Believe in safety for themselves, their family, and their co-workers

What is a Near Miss?

A Near Miss is an unplanned event that did not result in injury, illness, or damage – but had the potential to do so. Only a fortunate break in the chain of events prevented an injury, fatality, or damage; in other words, a miss that was nonetheless very near.



Everyone is a blend of these various levels. The Question becomes: "which level of commitment do we demonstrate most frequently?"

We create our culture by what we demonstrate personally, and by what we reward and tolerate in others.

People will work to the level of safety that's expected.

A strong safety culture will begin when we start to make safety a habit. Creating a safe work environment is a personal responsibility, as well as a corporate responsibility.



Key Points of Near Misses

- Incidents occur every day at the workplace that could result in a serious injury or damage.
- A near-miss program may help prevent future incidents.
- Employers need to make the process of reporting a near miss as easy as possible.



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