



Safety Update

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HALLOWEEN SAFETY RESOURCES

Remind Employees About Halloween Safety

Did you know that kids are twice as likely to be hit by a car on Halloween than any other time of the year? And that decorations are the first thing to ignite in 900 reported home fires each year, and two of every five of these fires were started by a candle?

Here are a few resources with information about Halloween safety:

- American Academy of Pediatrics list of [Halloween safety tips](#).
- Halloween fire prevention tips on the National Fire Protection Association's [website](#), including Halloween and candle safety tips
- National Safety Council's info on [Halloween Safety On and Off the Road](#)
- Kids Safe Worldwide [Halloween safety information](#)

AGC OF OHIO SAFETY MEETING & PROGRAM: THE POWER OF THE OBSERVER - SOUNDING THE ALARM WITH LEADING INDICATORS

November 16 | AGC of Ohio Office | 9:30-noon

The next AGC of Ohio Safety Meeting, scheduled for November 16 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the AGC office in Columbus, will feature Grace Herrera of [Predictive Solutions](#). Her program—*The Power of the Observer: Sounding the Alarm with Leading Indicators*—addresses using an observation process in a safety program to help redirect unsafe behaviors and correct unsafe conditions.

In addition to the presentation, other regular include OSHA regulatory and enforcement activities, workers compensation, AGC and divisions safety efforts, and pertinent safety health matters of interest. Meetings are open to AGC of Ohio members and free of charge. RSVP attendance to Andrea Ashley at AGC of Ohio: andrea@agcoho.com or (614) 486-6446.

NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION SAFETY EXCELLENCE AWARDS (CSEA) DEADLINE DECEMBER 14

Sponsored by Willis Towers Watson; Entry Deadline December 14

The CSEA program recognizes those construction companies that excel at safety performance. Participants should complete the application forms and submit them directly to AGC of America. The national AGC Safety & Health Committee will review the submittals at its January conference to select the CSEA finalists. The finalists in each divisional category will then compete at the AGC National Convention for a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place award by giving live presentations. CSEA winners will be announced at the Willis Safety Awards Breakfast during the convention.

Click [here](#) to access the CSEA application; you will be directed to Formsite, the application platform. You must create an account to view/complete the application. Applications are due December 14. Direct questions about the application process to Nazia Shah at nazia.shah@agc.org or (703) 837-5409 or Andrea Ashley at AGC of Ohio (614) 486-6446 or andrea@agcoho.com.

HIDDEN HAZARDS ARE LURKING – DON'T LET INJURIES AND ILLNESSES HAUNT YOUR WORKPLACE!

Safe + Sound Campaign Releases Info on Identifying & Fixing Hazards

Take action to scare up hazards and find the best ways to control them.

- Conduct safety walk-arounds to systematically identify and address workplace hazards. Check out the Safe + Sound Campaign resources, [Walk-Arounds for Safety Officers](#) and [Safety Walk-Arounds for Managers](#), for tips on making yours effective.
- Hone your observation skills to identify and assess hazards in your workplace. Watch the Campbell Institute's webinar, [Visual Literacy: How 'Learning to See' Benefits Occupational Safety](#).
- Engage your workers and promote safety with [challenges, contests, and competitions](#) to find and fix hazards in your workplace.

The Safe + Sound Campaign is organized by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, American Industrial Hygiene Association, American Society of Safety Professionals, The Center for Construction Research and Training, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, National Safety Council, and Voluntary Protection Programs Participants' Association. For more information and additional resources to help you establish or improve your safety and health program, visit [the Safe + Sound Campaign website](#).



2019 AGC-A WINTER SAFETY & HEALTH CONFERENCE

January 16-18, 2019 | Miami, FL

AGC of America's 2019 Winter Safety & Health Conference will take place January 16-18 at the Marriott Miami Biscayne Bay in Miami, FL. Join more than 250 industry professionals and participate in the development of regulatory and legislative activity on both a national and local level; assist in the development and creation of new safety training programs and products; and hear the latest initiatives from OSHA and other industry experts. Full details about the conference and links to registration and the hotel room block can be found [here](#).

THE OPIOID CRISIS & CONSTRUCTION

AGC [ConstructorCast](#) Takes On the Opioid Epidemic in Construction

According to a recent article in [Constructor Magazine](#), Federal statistics show in 2016, 11.5 million people misused prescription opioids and 116 people died every day from an opioid-related overdose. [On this edition of the ConstructorCast](#) four industry panelist discuss the opioid epidemic, providing resources and insight on this important issue. Click here to listen to the [AGC ConstructorCast](#).