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Prepare for construction industry safety challenges now and in the future

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Assess the characteristics of the safety culture in your organization to identify strengths and weaknesses

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Introduce a Safety Stand-Down as a new approach to safety education

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The last few years have seen many significant advances in construction safety practices and thinking. Much has happened as a result of the increased focus on construction safety research, technological innovation and the broader safety management evolution toward managing risk. This symposium is an opportunity to catch up.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

Take away tools and methodology for construction safety management from 21 general and concurrent sessions including:

- The **BlackOps US Navy SEALS** will share their process for Flawless Execution. Learn how their amazing techniques can be leveraged to drive initiative, accountability and achievement in construction safety operations.

- Preventing falls is still the most perplexing challenge in construction! Leading authority in falls, **Thomas Kramer, P.E., CSP**, will share powerful solutions that have emerged to help improve this issue.

- OSHA’s New Confined Space Standard is here with many requirements you will need to know. **Gary Lopez, CSP** will prepare you to adopt this standard into your organization’s operations.

- The ever-changing composition of the workforce has placed some workers at a higher risk of illness and accidents. **Michael Flynn, MA** of NIOSH will present you with a model for loss reduction in these at-risk groups.

- **Dr. Christine Branche**, Principal Associate Director and Director of the Office of Construction Safety and Health for NIOSH/CDC will help you develop a Safety Stand-Down for your organization.

- **Risk Assessment** and **Prevention through Design** are viewed as the most proactive steps in current safety management practices. Learn how these strategies can be applied most effectively to construction safety management.

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KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

Flawless Execution: Always the Goal!
US Navy SEALS undergo and are forged by some of the most intensive Special Forces sections and training of any elite military professional in the world. They are a special breed of warrior with mission capabilities in any environment. Often operating silently under cover of darkness, they train with a relentless commitment to individual initiative, personal responsibility and mission accomplishment.

In this high-impact keynote presentation, BlackOps Navy SEALS will reveal how they selected, trained, planned, led and Flawlessly Executed their missions all over the globe. They will share the tools and techniques SEAL teams use to thrive and survive in rapidly changing and hostile environments. You will take away methods to leverage those same tools and incredible process to drive initiative, accountability and achievement in your construction safety operations, anytime, anywhere.

ROUND 1 CONCURRENT SESSIONS: Risk Assessment and Prevention through Design in Construction

The ability to perform a risk assessment in any industry enhances the professionalism of the OSH management effort and provides a valuable tool to align safety with all the operations of an organization. Specifically, risk assessment is intended to better enable you to implement risk-based approaches and measures to proactively lead your organization in the mitigation of risk in advance of injuries or catastrophic events. Join this session for an overview of the risk assessment process and how it can benefit construction safety.

   Kenneth Daigle, P.E.
   Director of Safety, BP, Houston, TX

2. Preventing Low Frequency High Impact Incidents
The Safety Committee of the National Academy of Construction has produced significant findings in the areas of attention needed to prevent low frequency, high impact incidents (LFHI) in the construction industry. Join this session for a list of actions you can take to reduce your potential for a LFHI. Information shared will include key definitions, status of the project and findings to date, and a list of actions that one firm has taken to mitigate fatalities. This list will outline activities for any construction firm that is interested in significantly improving its safety performance.

   Deborah L. Grubbe, PE, CEng.
   Co-Chair, NAC Safety Committee/President
   Operations and Safety Solutions, LLC, Chadds Ford, PA

3. Identifying and Preventing Health Hazards During Planning Phases of Projects
Be ever vigilant for substances presenting significant health hazards and major delays to project deadlines. This presentation will discuss applications, both historical and present day, for asbestos containing materials, lead paints and mercury. We will look at unique case studies where unexpected or unusual materials were discovered during demolition, construction or renovation. Additionally, the presentation will discuss potential project delays and unexpected costs arising from health hazard issues, regulatory concerns, etc.

   Rebecca W. Shultz, CIH, CSP
   President, Apex Environmental Management, Inc., Mauldin, SC

4. Construction in Reverse: The Safety Behind Selective Demolition
“Bringing down” requires a different approach than “building up” and can have major safety ramifications for the project. Demolition introduces added risk from unknown structural or material factors that can affect the workers and the entire job. In this session, you will learn to identify key hazard areas unique to demolition, plan effectively for demolition, and employ protective strategies.

   Katie Schofield, PhD, CSP, ARM, CHST, CSRMI
   Risk Consultant, Minneapolis, MN
   John Lloyd
   Vice-President, Lloyd’s Construction Services, Inc., Savage, MN

5. Prevention through Design (PtD) for Hazards in Construction
With the results of a risk assessment in hand, the optimal move is Prevention through Design (PtD). In this session, you will learn how to affect that link and use PtD methodology for hazards specific to the construction industry. You will take away a downloadable PtD Risk Assessment tool which successfully identifies three NIOSH case studies relevant to current issues within construction safety and health.

   Georgi Popov, PhD, QEP
   Associate Professor, UCM, Overland Park, KS
Protecting Construction Workers with Overlapping Vulnerabilities

The U.S. workforce is undergoing dramatic shifts that place some workers at an increased risk for occupational illness and injury. Social dynamics such as race, class, and gender; economic trends such as the growth of the temporary workforce and the increased reliance on immigrant workers; and organizational factors such as business size, all may contribute to placing some workers at greater risk. In this presentation, learn how this combination of risk factors may result in overlapping vulnerabilities for workers in the construction industry. You will take away a conceptual model on reduction of illnesses for at-risk groups and use these strategies for the design and implementation of safety programs and occupational safety and health interventions.

Michael Flynn, MA
Assistant Coordinator, Priority Populations and Health Disparities Program
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
Cincinnati, OH

ROUND II CONCURRENT SESSIONS: Workforce Vulnerabilities and Interventions

6. Keeping Temporary and Contingent Workers Safe
Temporary workers furnished by agencies, union hiring halls, contingent workers (day laborers) and independent contractors are injured and killed at rates far surpassing that of permanent construction company employees. Management of safety and health for these workers poses discrete challenges and is increasingly the subject of OSHA enforcement scrutiny. In this session, you will learn safety, health and legal issues arising from the use of short-term workers including OSHA enforcement policy, what to communicate with agencies furnishing workers, training and PPE issues, reporting obligations, and worker’s compensation issues.

Adele L. Abrams, JD, CMSP
President, Law Office of Adele L. Abrams PC, Beltsville, MD

7. Supervisors - Safety Force Multiplier
Too often companies fail to recognize and utilize a critical component in the promotion of the safety process: properly trained and certified front line supervisors. Supervisors have the greatest opportunity on a daily basis to affect safety performance and impact the bottom line. Companies with exceptional safety performance have taken the necessary steps to ensure their supervisors are properly prepared. In this session, you will explore the skills necessary for supervisors to be effective players in the overall safety process.

Eddie Greer, CSP, OHST, STSC
Director of Business Development, Board of Certified Safety Professionals, Horseshoe Bay, TX

8. Human Performance Tools for Construction
Managing human factors is key to our ability to effectively deliver a safety and health program. Knowledge of human performance tools and expectations is critical to implementation of any safety efforts. In this session, you will learn: the principles of human performance; human performance tools for construction, such as effective communications that help in preventing incidents and injuries; human performance traps such as time pressure - real or assumed; and human performance expectations which include taking responsibility for your own behavior and positively influencing the behavior of others.

Rick Callor, CSP, STS
Safety Training Director EIC Group, AECOM
EIC, Boise, ID

John M. Isham, CIH, CSP, STS
Senior ES&H Director, AECOM, Denver, CO

Over the past 10-15 years, researchers and practitioners have recognized that a strong positive safety culture and safety climate are key to reducing injuries, illnesses and fatalities on construction worksites. However, there was a lack of agreement on the definitions of safety culture and safety climate, what the core indicators are of these constructs, and the types of interventions that might actually improve them. CPWR-The Center for Construction Research and Training and NIOSH tackled these three issues and in this presentation, you will learn the results of their efforts and the approaches they recommend.

Linda M. Goldenhar PhD
Director, Research and Evaluation, The Center for Construction Research and Training, Silver Spring, MD
GENERAL SESSION
Falls: The Greatest Challenge
Falls continue to plague the construction industry as one of the leading causes of fatalities. So what is the industry doing to reverse this trend? Thomas Kramer, P.E., CSP, leading authority in fall protection, will present to you how entrenched methods of information processing and social influences, such as cognitive biases, lull organizations into a false sense of security. Organizations may believe they are good in responding to the hazard of falls, rather than just lucky.

There have been changes in fall protection strategy and control. More powerful solutions have emerged and Mr. Kramer will discuss the latest equipment advances, the practical and evolving methods for reducing falls and the interplay of ANSI fall protection standards and Prevention through Design techniques.

Thomas Kramer, P.E., CSP  
Managing Principle, LJB, Inc., Miamisburg, OH

ROUND III CONCURRENT SESSIONS: Technology for a New Vision of Construction Safety

10. Leveraging Technology to Enhance Worker Safety
Learn how to use your electronic tablets and smart phones to perform routine safety inspections, JHAs, incident investigations and tailgate meetings. This can be done at no cost and you will take away the techniques to enable your electronic tablets and smart phones to perform these tasks with greater quality results. Most often, you will have this ability using the software and apps that are already loaded on most electronic tablets and smart phones.

Michael Palmer, CSP, CIH, CHMM  
Vice President, EnSafe, Inc., Knoxville, TN

11. Proximity Detection for Workers Around Construction Equipment
Human Construction Traffic Interface (HCTI) is a significant hazard in the construction industry. New technologies are becoming available that can sense when a worker is in a blind spot or no-go zone. In this session, you will explore some technology options for proximity detection and the most effective way to apply it for HCTI management.

Neil Ryan, CSP  
Personnel Safety Manager, Exxon Mobil, Spring, TX

12. Preparing and Managing OSH in the Global Construction Marketplace
As our US based construction companies expand into the global marketplace, cultural differences are thrown into the mix, compounding our challenges. Implementing a western style of OSH management into construction projects outside the US, poses unique challenges. Join this session to learn simple technology tools professionals can use to manage OSH globally or in remote locations.

Carole Fried, CIH, CSP  
Director H&S, Gilbane, Walnut Creek, CA

13. Look Out Below: Falling Objects (Struck-by Hazards) in High Rise Construction
An increasingly major challenge in high rise construction is the incidence of falling object accidents and fatalities. The strength of your solutions for these catastrophic events will be dependent upon your ability to recognize the most useful technology, implement the most effective controls and train your workforce for their participation in strategy to mitigate this daunting hazard. In this session, you will learn optimal strategy to minimize the risk of falling objects.

Randall C. Butler, CSP  
Teacher, University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, PA
The New OSHA Confined Space Standard: What’s Required?

OSHA’s long awaited rule on Confined Spaces in Construction, 1926.1200, has finally been published by OSHA. You will learn how this new standard differs from the previous proposed version and how it compares to the existing General Industry 1910.146 Permit Required Confined Space Standard, as well as the ANSI Z117 standard for entry into confined spaces. You will take away practices that will assist you in identifying a confined space in construction, learn what the requirements are for both the owner of the site and the employer entering the confined space, how to operate the permit system that will be critical for entries, and strategize to overcome the challenges that rescue will present to those entering confined spaces.

C. Gary Lopez, CSP
Area Vice President, AJ Gallagher Risk Management Services, Weston, FL

14. Meet Dr. Christine Branche: Learn to Deliver a Successful Safety Stand-Down
Dr. Christine Branche, Principal Associate Director and the Director of the Office of Construction Safety and Health for the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) within the Center for Disease Control (CDC) will be providing you with guidelines for conducting a successful Safety Stand-Down. A Safety Stand-Down is a voluntary event for employers to talk directly to employees about safety. Companies can conduct a Safety Stand-Down by taking a break to have a toolbox talk or another safety activity such as conducting safety equipment inspections, developing rescue plans, or discussing job specific hazards. Dr. Branche will help you get this started in your organization.

Christine Branche, PhD
Principal Associate Director and Director of the Office of Construction Safety and Health for NIOSH/CDC, Washington, DC

15. Removing Barriers Towards OSH Excellence
Today’s OSH manager should not only be able to communicate the moral imperative in protecting people and the environment, but also able to demonstrate how effective OSH management—or lack thereof—can contribute to project success or failure. By integrating OSH management systems throughout an organization’s operations, you can not only improve OSH performance, but affect your organization’s performance overall. You will leave this session with strategy to better align OSH management with the overall strategy of your organization including managing operational risks, using leading indicators to improve project quality, and better communication for improved stakeholder relations.

Chris Golden, CSP, PMP
EHS Manager, Skanska USA Inc., New York, NY

16. Conducting and Analyzing a Safety Program Audit
An effective safety program audit can return invaluable results for your assessment of how well your safety program is performing. In this session, you will learn how to develop a safety program audit and how to analyze what it reveals about the health of your program. Take away some methods for compiling and presenting the results of your audit.

Eric P. Hanson, CSP
Director of Safety, The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company, Baltimore, MD

17. Buried Alive: A Survivor’s Story
In this session, Joe Tantarelli, Safety Consultant, recalls the events of June 5, 1983 when he was nearly buried alive as he was installing pipe in a trench that suddenly collapsed on him. He will discuss how rushing, frustration, fatigue, and complacency contributed to making serious mistakes that almost led him to die on the job. Attendees will learn strategies to help workers avoid these types of incidents.

Joe Tantarelli
Safety Consultant, SafeStart, Belleville, ON

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Recognizing the vulnerabilities of today’s construction workforce and what interventions are most effective.

New technology that can better enable identification of exposures in construction worksites and provide knowledge for safety operations decision making.

The new OSHA Construction Confined Space Standard and other new management tools.

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