

Government Updates and More– March 7, 2022

CDC Update

There are no new updates. According to CDC website, they are in the process of updating their workplace and business page. CDC does refer to the OSHA COVID-19 page for current requirements, guidance and tools [OSHA COVID-19 Resources](#)[external icon](#) and also to their new COVID-19 community levels where you can check on status and protection measures in your community [COVID-19 Community Levels](#).

Workplaces and Businesses

Plan, Prepare, and Respond

Updated Oct. 18, 2021 Languages [Print](#)

CDC is in the process of updating this page to align with the new [COVID-19 Community Levels](#). Updates will be posted here when available.

Workplace Prevention Strategies

To prevent and reduce transmission and maintain healthy business operations in non-healthcare workplaces

CDC has archived several workplace-related guidance documents, factsheets, and toolkits. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) provides resources to prevent COVID-19 exposure and infection in the workplace. For the most current requirements, guidance, and tools, see [OSHA COVID-19 Resources](#) [external icon](#).

OSHA

OSHA Proposed Rulemaking: OSHA [announced a proposed rule](#) to update the [powered industrial trucks](#) standard for general industry and construction.

Work Zone Safety Awareness

April 11-15 is [National Work Zone Awareness Week](#) and the [National Stand-Down to Prevent Struck-by Incidents](#).

9th Annual, [National Safety Stand-Down](#) to Prevent Falls in Construction Campaign, scheduled from May 2-6, 2022. The goal of the (Fall Stand-Down) is to raise awareness to fall hazards and reinforce safe work practices that help prevent fatalities and injuries related to falls.

CAL OSHA

CAL OSHA's COVID-19 temporary standard remains in effect.

<https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/coronavirus/>

Update on face coverings from the California Department of Health:

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/guidance-for-face-coverings.aspx>

February 28, 2022

TO: All Californians

SUBJECT: Guidance for the Use of Face Masks

Related Materials: [Face Coverings Q&A](#) | [Face Coverings Fact Sheet \(PDF\)](#) | [Face Mask Tips and Resources](#) | [Face Shields Q&A \(PDF\)](#) | [Safe Schools for All Hub](#) | [More Home & Community Guidance](#) | [All Guidance](#) | [More Languages](#)

Updates as of February 28, 2022:

- Effective March 1, 2022, the requirement that unvaccinated individuals mask in indoor public settings will move to a strong recommendation that all persons, regardless of vaccine status, continue indoor masking.
- Universal masking shall remain required in specified high-risk settings.
- After March 11, 2022, the universal masking requirement for K-12 and Childcare settings will terminate. CDPH strongly recommends that individuals in these settings continue to mask in indoor settings when the universal masking requirement lifts.

Washington State – Labor & Industries

Upcoming Virtual Stakeholder Meeting “Unified Standard for Fall Protection”

In August of 2021, DOSH received notification from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) relating to L&I's fall protection standard. The focus of OSHA's concern is that some provisions of L&I's fall protection standard may not be at least as effective as OSHA's, a requirement of the Washington State Plan. Specific differences noted by OSHA include trigger heights for employees engaged in roofing work on a low pitched roof as well as constructing a leading edge, use of warning line systems, use of safety watch systems, and personal fall arrest requirements for those working in ski area facilities and operations.

Meeting Details:

Monday, March 21, 2022 1:00 p.m.

Attendees will need to register at this link:

Registration: https://lni-wa-gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_zldmVA3QK6NxsNwSijtzw

Wednesday, March 23, 2022 1:00 p.m.

Attendees will need to register at this link:

Registration: https://lni-wa-gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_6rX1oMx5SjGnHxNx666_tg

NIOSH

New Safety Materials for Lawn Care Workers

NIOSH recently published an [infographic](#) and other [graphics](#) to promote safe work practices in the landscaping industry. Landscaping is one of the highest risk industries in the service industry.

Nominations for Prevention Through Design Award Are Now Open!

Nominations for the 2022 [Prevention through Design](#) (PtD) award are now being accepted. This award recognizes individuals, teams, businesses, or other organizations that have improved worker safety and health by designing-out hazards or contributing to the body of knowledge that enables PtD solutions. Nominations are due by May 2. For more information or to submit a nomination see the [award website](#). The award is sponsored by NIOSH, the [National Safety Council](#), and the [American Society of Safety Professionals](#)

EHS WEBINAR – Fall Protection in the Construction Industry

Date: Wednesday, March 16, 2022

Time: 2:00 PM ET

SAVE YOUR SEAT

Duration: 1 Hour

Sponsored by: 3M

Year after year, falls continue to be one of the most common workplace injuries. On construction sites specifically, employees need to work in situations where they are exposed to a potential fall. When workers are placed in these situations, there must be a way to get them down or rescue them.

This webinar will examine:

- Aspects of an effective rescue plan

- How to make a rescue plan successful
- The ABC's of rescue

[REGISTER HERE](#)

ASSP – Hispanic Safety Professionals (HSP) upcoming webinar:



March 2022 Webinar



Speaker: Liz Hill
Total Worker Health Adviser
At SAIF

Total Worker Health Awareness: What Should OSH Professionals Know?:

TO JOIN US CLICK HERE

<https://zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tJEod-qgqTwqHdW5HCPSJx-Ys0APPYC8dvUw>

Date: March 24, 2022
11:00 a.m. CT / 9:00 a.m. PT



Speaker: Dede Montgomery
Senior Research Associate,
Outreach and Education
Oregon Health and Sciences
University, Oregon Health
Workforce Center

CEUs .1 have been approved for this session.

Click here to register: <https://lnkd.in/gJD6ZqeP>