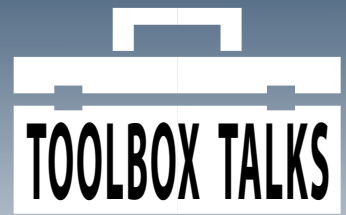


RECOGNIZING HAZARDS



Knowing the hazards in your workplace can prevent injuries. Unguarded machinery, exposure to chemicals, and working at heights are well-known workplace hazards. However, other hazards, such as short deadlines, crew member shortages, and long hours, can also impact your safety and health.



MATT'S STORY

Matt was recently hired and works the night shift. The day crew is frequently in a hurry to go home and often the equipment and tools are left out. The job is behind schedule and his supervisor says that Matt has to finish the work tonight. Matt is in a hurry, trips over a power cord, and cuts his head on the corner of a table.

TALK ABOUT IT

- What hazards contributed to Matt's injury in the story?
- What are the hazards in your workplace?
- How would you eliminate and control them?
- What if you cannot eliminate the hazard—who do you notify?

COMMON WORKPLACE HAZARDS

PHYSICAL HAZARDS

Heat/Cold
Vibration/Noise
Electricity
Smoking
Heavy loads
Unguarded machinery



CHEMICAL HAZARDS

Asbestos
Silica
Diesel exhaust
Lead
Mercury
Solvents



MECHANICAL HAZARDS

Crushing
Shearing
Cutting
Entanglement
Friction



WORK ORGANIZATION HAZARDS

Workplace violence
Working alone
Harassment
Long work hours
Long commute

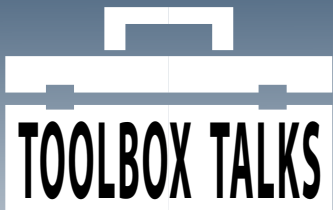


BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS

Bacteria
Viruses



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Identify potential hazards at this worksite.



PHYSICAL HAZARDS	WORK ORGANIZATION HAZARDS
CHEMICAL HAZARDS	MECHANICAL HAZARDS