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Utah OSHA Announces the 2013 Nursing Home Safety & Health Initiative

SALT LAKE CITY - The Utah Labor Commission, Occupational Safety and Health Division (UOSH) is announcing the “2013 Nursing Home Safety & Health Emphasis Initiative” which will be conducted statewide and will continue through October 31, 2013.

The 2013 Nursing Home Safety & Health Emphasis Initiative is designed to help educate employers and employees regarding the safety and health hazards commonly found in nursing homes. Employers and employees will be able to identify and eliminate the hazards associated with nursing homes in the State of Utah and nationwide, with specific focus on frequent injuries, such as the ones below:

- Slips, Trips and Falls
- Musculoskeletal Injuries – Strains and Sprains
- Workplace Violence for Healthcare Workers
- Exposure to Blood Borne Pathogens

The Utah Labor Commission – OSHA Consultation Program provides free on-site safety and health services. Our goal is simple: “To prevent work related injury and illness through a cooperative effort with employers and their employees.”

Utah OSHA is committed to the safety and health of Utah’s employees working in this and all industries. By initiating this emphasis program, we are taking a positive step in protecting the safety and health of employees working in nursing homes through education and hazard recognition and elimination.

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