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Free On-site Consultation Service for Employers/Employees


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To help employers better understand and voluntarily comply with the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Act (MIOSHA), free ON-SITE CONSULTATION programs are available to help small to mid-size employers identify and correct potential safety and health hazards.

At your request, a safety or health specialist will visit your business to explain our program. If you agree to participate, hazards and violations will be identified during a walk-through at your place of business. This walk-through is identical to a regular MIOSHA enforcement inspection, EXCEPT NO CITATIONS OR PENALTIES WILL BE ISSUED.

- **ABATEMENT ADVICE:** Any hazards or violations which may cause death or serious harm to your employees will be discussed during the walkthrough. A written report of the findings will be presented including specific advice for eliminating existing and potential safety or health hazards.
- **TRAINING AND PLANNING:** In addition, a safety or health plan will be developed from the written report. This plan may include referral services on employee training designed to correct violations or hazards.

Over the past years employees in the tree care, landscaping, plant care, and other green industry occupations have experienced serious injuries and illnesses which, at times, included fatalities. Workers have been buried in excavations, crushed or struck by equipment, fallen from heights, shocked and electrocuted, struck by tree parts, and involved in roll-overs.

These accidents are all preventable and MIOSHA Consultation Services can help you avoid such painful agonizing and costly incidents. www.michigan.gov/miosha or call: 517-322-1809. 

See MIOSHA's Green Industry Self-Inspection Checklist on page 19.



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