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Educate and Empower Young Workers in the Pacific Northwest

Young workers experience high rates of job-related injury. Occupational health and safety (OHS) resources are critical for young workers, who may lack experience and knowledge about workplace hazards and safety protocols. Below are key resources focused specifically on occupational health and safety for young workers. These resources are targeted for educators, public health specialists, and occupational health professionals.



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How can we prevent young worker fatality and injury?

Ensure young workers understand their right to be safe at work.

Employers

- Follow health, safety, and State and Federal labor laws.
- Review workplace plans to prevent injury and illness.
- Supervise young and inexperienced workers closely.
- Deliver job-specific training.
- Ensure workers understand how to use appropriate safety equipment.
- Empower young workers to voice their concerns.

Parents

- Learn about State and Federal labor laws.
- Talk to your children about workplace safety and their right to a safe workplace.

Educators

- Incorporate school-based work curriculum in course work.
- Provide all students with resources on health, safety, and workers rights.
- Provide resources and training to students on hazard identification.

Together we can protect young workers in the Pacific Northwest!

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