



Loss Control Best Practice

Line of Business: All

Subject: Safety Management - Safety Program Evaluations

Purpose:

The purpose of this best practice is to provide resources to assist with the evaluation of public entity safety programs.

Recommendations:

Safety programs operating within a public entity need to be periodically evaluated to determine their overall effectiveness and to identify opportunities for improvement. Conducting a safety evaluation goes beyond looking at the loss data; it involves a comprehensive and objective review of the safety management, operational aspects, and the public entity's safety culture.

There are multitudes of safety program evaluation forms, checklists, and other resources available to public entities; most of which are geared toward employee safety and health. However, the same principles of evaluating the management, operational, and cultural aspects apply when evaluating the safety programs that target the general public.

The resources listed below from OSHA and the National Safety Council will assist you in setting up an effective safety program evaluation process.

Additional Resources and References:

Safety and Health Program Assessment Worksheet - OSHA

https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/safetyhealth/asmnt_worksheet.html

Elements of an Effective Safety Management System - National Safety Council

http://www.nsc.org/safety_work/benchmarking_measurement/Pages/benchmarking_measurement.aspx

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