

# AGC Safety Initiative E-News April 27, 2022

**OUR Safety MISSION:** Help each other enforce safety rules to ensure that every person on construction site goes home safe and healthy at end of the workday.

Calendar of Events – <u>Learn more</u>

**OSHA withdrew its** <u>Vaccination and Testing Emergency Temporary Standard</u> and will focus on a permanent COVID-19 Healthcare Standard

## **Workers Memorial Day**

Every year, on April 28, the nation recognizes Workers Memorial Day. This is the day we pay our respects to those who lost their lives on the job and recognize the impact these tragic losses have on families, co-workers, and communities. This year, we also recognize that, more than a year into the pandemic, every day essential workers, many of whom are people of color and immigrants, have put their lives on the line during the COVID-19 pandemic. Many were sickened or died as a result of just going to work - for simply doing what they had to do to support their families. They were healthcare workers, grocery workers, meatpackers, nurses, delivery drivers, farmworkers, law enforcement officers, teachers, and sanitation workers. We remember and honor every worker who has lost their life to largely preventable fatal injuries and illnesses, and we commit ourselves to fighting to make sure that others do not suffer the same terrible fate. Learn more

### AGC Construction Safety Week



## May 2-6, 2022

Please join with AGC of America in this year's <u>Construction Safety Week</u>, May 2-6. The theme is CONNECTED. SUPPORTED. SAFE. Being connected gives us strength because it means we are not alone. It means we're side-by-side in building a stronger, safer industry, and in creating a safe, supportive environment for our workers. Supported means we are here to help each other stay present and focused on the job, regardless of our role or workplace setting. It means ensuring our workers are equipped with the resources and support they need to work safe every day. It means being aware and in tune with the health and wellbeing of those around us, being able to see the signs of struggle that can impact safety and productivity. It means knowing when and how to be there for each other, and that we're all in this together.

We encourage member firms to get involved in and celebrate our shared commitment to safety. Click <u>HERE</u> to access and download all of the tools and resources to get started on planning your activities, including tips, best practices and all of the Safety Week branded materials you'll need to support your events and communication. You can also access AGC's events and resources for safety week <u>HERE</u>.

Tag the Chapter in your social media with #agcnebuilders. If there's an opportunity to visit your companies, job sites, or teams, I'd be glad to! Email or call me! Have PPE, will travel!

## **OSHA's National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction**

May 2-6, 2022



The ninth annual National Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction is scheduled for May 2-6, 2022. OSHA encourages construction employers and other stakeholders to join the event to promote awareness and training to address one of the industry's most serious dangers. OSHA's Fall Prevention Stand-Down webpage offers a wide range of compliance resources in many languages, including Spanish, Polish, Russian, and Portuguese. OSHA encourages everyone to use #StandDown4Safety to promote the event on social media, and to share feedback after their

events and obtain a personalized certificate of participation.

### Stakeholder Meeting on OSHA Initiatives to Protect Workers From Heat-Related Hazards

OSHA invites interested parties to participate in a stakeholder meeting on the agency's initiatives to protect workers from heat-related hazards. OSHA will provide an overview of its ongoing activities to protect workers from heat-related hazards, as well as an introduction to the agency's rulemaking process and ways for the public to participate in that process. Additionally, participants are invited to provide public comments and ask questions related to OSHA's ongoing efforts to prevent heat injury and illness in outdoor and indoor work settings. The stakeholder meeting will be held from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET on May 3, 2022. The meeting will take place virtually using Zoom. *Registration:* If you would like to attend, provide public comment, or ask questions, please register online at <a href="https://projects.erg.com/conferences/osha/osha-heat.html">https://projects.erg.com/conferences/osha/osha-heat.html</a>. If you are interested in providing public comments, you must indicate that while registering. In order to accommodate many speakers, public comments will be limited to no more than three minutes during this meeting. The duration of speaking time is subject to change, and the time allotted for each speaker will be finalized upon the close of registration. For more information

#### **Safety Initiative Goals:**

As an AGC Nebraska Building Chapter member, are you participating with:

- 100% of all AGC members and other contractors on AGC jobsites enforcing OSHA standards as they apply to falls, electrical safety and possible another topic.
- 100% of all AGC members will have set their own company goals to improve safety in their firm and have a way to measure progress towards the goal.
- 100% of all AGC members will encourage and support all contractors on their jobsites to set their own company goals for improving safety.