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Make Remote Work Safer

Workplace safety risks look different when working remotely and it's important to learn how to identify and mitigate risks.



Watch this video from State Fund to learn how to make your remote work space safer.

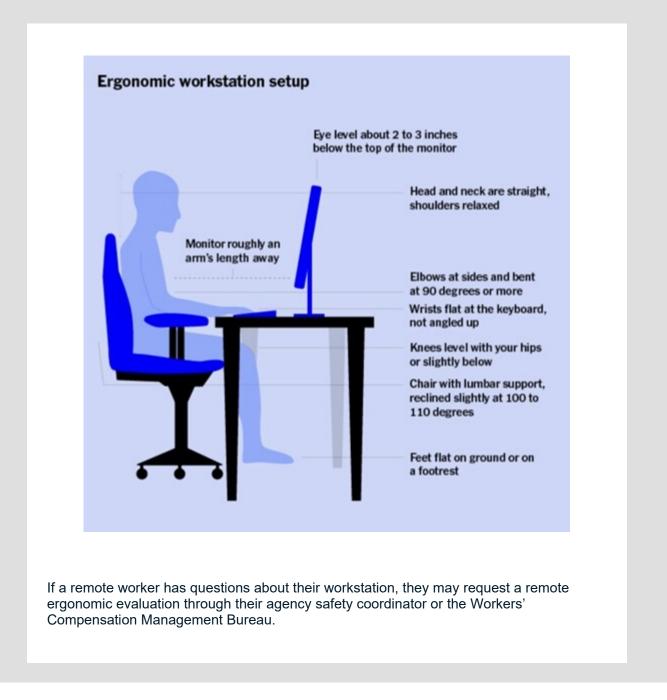
Remote Work Safety Tips

Maintaining a safe home office is the remote worker's responsibility. A proper ergonomic workstation setup increases a workers' comfort and overall heath while reducing the risk of occupational diseases.

Here's a few tips for remote workers to keep in mind:

- Place computer and other office equipment on sturdy, level, well maintained surface. Place computer monitors at a height that is comfortable and does not require neck or back strain.
- Setup good lighting to reduce eye strain and avoid craning your neck at an unnatural angle
- Keep pathways clear of tripping hazards, such as cords and uneven or slippery surfaces.
- Use a sturdy chair that can move easily on the floor. Choose a chair that provides lumbar support and allows height adjustments to fit you comfortably to your work space.
- Daylight and access to outdoor views give eyes opportunities to relax and recover from the strain of staring at a monitor all day. If there aren't windows in space, consider using overhead lighting with task lighting.

The image below provides a visual explanation on how to setup an ergonomic workstation.



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