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November 2023 Safety Tip

6 Ways to Spice Up Your Safety Committee



Safety committees can be a powerful tool for injury prevention.

A group of dedicated employees from throughout an agency focused on making the workplace safer makes a real difference. Here are some ideas for spicing up your Safety Committee to drive engagement:

- 1. Write safety tips for your agency newsletter or intranet.
- 2. Facilitate a "find it/fix it" **employee recognition program** to encourage employees to report safety hazards and then see the hazard be corrected.
- 3. Plan an **informational campaign** with email messages, posters, maybe even a contest around a key safety topic like <u>winter slips and falls</u>.
- 4. **Create a promotional board** about a safety topic, such as using traction footwear to prevent slips and falls during the winter months.
- 5. Have **fun at meetings** by incorporating quizzes, team-building exercises, compelling videos, etc.
- 6. Encourage safety committee members to **bring a guest/coworker** to meetings. This helps increase safety awareness and sustainability of the committee.

When your safety committee is engaged and empowered, it can serve as a vital piece of your loss prevention program. Engaged members and the addition of creative activities can help spread a culture of safety to every employee.

WCMB is here to help you spice up your safety committee! Contact us at wcmb@mt.gov.

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