

# DIOSH Day 2019

Consultation Process and SHARP



## Welcome!! What Will Be Covered

- CONSULTATION PROCESS OVERVIEW
- SHARP PROCESS OVERVIEW
- QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

## Getting to Know Consultation

- Consultation Services are Required in the OSHAct (Section 1908)
- Federally funded: 90% OSHA/10% State match
  - Voluntary Service
  - Completely Confidential

## Consultation

- Priority is to assist small to medium size employers (250 or less)
- Consultation services cover employers statewide
- Private Industry and Public Employers both
- General Industry, Construction and Healthcare, Townships, Schools etc.

## Consultants

- Safety and Health professionals with education/experience in safety or health or both
- Receive the same training as OSHA compliance officers
- Have expertise in safety and health management systems

## Consultants Cont'd

Safety areas of expertise i.e.

- Machine Guarding
- Energy Control
- Emergency Action

Industrial Hygiene areas of expertise i.e.

- Air contaminant exposures
- Occupational noise
- Hazard Communication

## Consultative Process

- Employer initiates Request for services

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- Consultant assigned/Set visit date/Researches industry hazards

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## Consultative Process

- Opening Conference
- Review Forms for Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses
- Required OSHA Program(s) Review
- Safety/hygiene audit
- Closing Conference
- Written Report (findings)
- Follow-up Serious Hazards

## Road to SHARP



## Road to SHARP Three Qualifiers

- Comprehensive Safety and Health Consultation within prior 12 months
- Qualifying Safety and Health Management System in place
- Injury/Illness Rates below Industry Average based on previous years' 300 Log info.

## SHARP EVALUATION PROCESS

- Assessing the “safety culture” AKA:
  - Evaluate the Safety and Health Management Program based on update to the OSHA’s 1989 SHM Guidelines: Recommended Practices for Safety & Health Programs
- Interview employees and management to identify safety and health systems in place
- Additional walk through survey conducted looking for physical hazards and systems in place

## Achieving SHARP Status

- Correct All Hazards
  - Receive a score of at least “2” on 50 items on the SHM assessment form (FORM 33)
    - Have injury rates below the industry average for the year prior to the consultation
  - Agree to notify Consultation and participate in survey if/when working conditions change

## Benefits

- Operational efficiency
- Competitive Edge
- Exempt from routine OSHA Inspections for duration of SHARP STATUS

## THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!!

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