

Behaviors: Prepare Risk Assessment Before Doing the Task

Why?

Always prepare a risk assessment to proactively identify the hazards and the controls required to do the task safely.

What?

- ✓ Risk assessment such as work permits or RPT can help to proactively identify hazards and controls to reduce the risk of injury while performing tasks.
- ✓ Ensure you are qualified to perform the risk assessment prior to completing the task.
- ✓ Performing the risk assessment with others like operations, maintenance, safety can help to identify all the risks.



Questions

Open-ended questions

- What are examples of risk assessments that you can use?
- Is it better to do a risk assessment by yourself or with other people? Why?
- What steps should you take when conducting a risk assessment before starting a task?



Experience-based questions

- Have you ever experienced or heard of an incident where a proper risk assessment could have prevented an accident? What happened?
- Can you recall a time when conducting a risk assessment with others helped identify a hazard you hadn't thought of?
- Have you ever faced a situation where a risk assessment was ignored or rushed? What was the impact?



What would you do?-questions

- If you are about to start a job and realize a risk assessment hasn't been completed, what should you do?
- During a risk assessment, your team identifies a hazard but doesn't agree on the best way to control it. How would you handle the situation?
- If you notice a co-worker skipping a step in a risk assessment process, how should you respond?



Spot the improvement-questions

- Are there tasks in our workplace where risk assessments should be done more frequently or in more detail? What improvements would help?
- What could make risk assessments easier to complete while still being effective?
- How can we make sure that everyone involved in a task understands the risk assessment before work begins?

