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Excellent Seminar Available on Preventing Eye Injuries

An excellent seminar on preventing occupational eye injuries is available to construction associations and companies across BC. You will be able to arrange a seminar through CSABC. I attended this seminar and it is both high impact and very informative.

CSABC is sponsoring the CNIB Industrial Eye Safety Program. CSABC is working with the CNIB to offer workshops across the province to encourage workers to always use eye protection. Barry was a plumber and in his 20's he had a serious accident that left him permanently blind and scarred.

I encourage you to consider hosting this workshop for employees or let CSABC know if you would be interested in having CSABC host this workshop for your employees at a cost recovery basis.

I have attached the information flyer and a letter from CNIB.

To arrange a seminar, please contact:

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Dear Safety Professional,

CNIB would like to introduce you to our exciting new Industrial Eye Safety program. It educates workers about eye safety in the workplace and motivates them to follow safe work practices.

Between 2003-2007, almost 9,000 workplace eye injuries were reported to WorkSafeBC. The costs associated with these injuries were more than \$23 million!

The personal cost of a severe eye injury is immense: only 25 per cent of working-age adults with vision loss are employed and 70 per cent of Canadians wouldn't be able to continue working at their present job if they were to lose their vision.

The cost to employers includes loss and replacement of the injured worker, low morale among coworkers, increased insurance premiums and, in some cases, fines.

Eye injuries can be eliminated!

Our entertaining and motivational 90 minute workshop utilizes a combination of real-life stories, shocking visuals and interactive exercises and is delivered by a facilitator with vision loss.

For more information or to schedule a workshop, please contact:

Samira Hussain Manager, Industrial Eye Safety Program (604) 431-2031 Samira.Hussain@cnib.ca

CNIB is a nationwide, community-based, registered charity committed to research, public education and vision health for all Canadians. CNIB provides the services and support necessary for people to enjoy a good quality of life while living with vision loss.

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CNIB Industrial Eye Safety Workshop

Thousands of workplace eye injuries are reported every year in Canada.

The most serious of these result in blindness.

Eye injuries can be eliminated!



Improve staff morale and retention

- Show your employees they matter to you
- Provide your staff with a hands-on, educational break in their day

Invest in the safety of your employees

"The people who attended said it was the best presentation they have seen.

There has been increased interest in the eye protection we keep in our site stores and our operations people now read the PPE sections of the MSDS out loud to our contractors so there is no confusion as to what is required."

- Chris Ellard, Safety Lead, Imperial Oil

Increase safety protocol compliance Decrease costs & hours lost to injury

- Motivate
- Educate
- Experience the face of vision loss



Book Now!

For pricing details and information:

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