



NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

The mission of the National Council for Occupational Safety and Health (National COSH) is to promote safe and healthy workplaces for all working people.

Catastrophic workplace injuries and illness from exposure to on-the-job hazards claim the lives of more than 50,000 U.S. workers every year. Our goal is to strengthen protections for all workers and prevent occupational injuries and illnesses.

We are a network of local and statewide advocacy groups in communities all across the United States. Members of the COSH Network:

- **Educate** workers about their rights and about workplace health and safety
- **Advocate** for best workplace practices and policies
- **Mobilize** workers and advocates to demand increased protections.

THE HEALTH AND SAFETY MOVEMENT

The COSH Network includes a growing number of member groups across the country, actively responding to the needs of a changing U.S. workforce. COSH organizations are diverse coalitions, committed to advocacy for *all workers* -including immigrant workers, temporary workers, workers from communities of color, young workers, and union workers.

We also connect the fight for better safety and health protections with related issues, such as fair wages and hours, the rights of immigrant workers and workplace representation.



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National COSH coordinates national advocacy campaigns with local and state COSH groups. We also share educational and training materials and resources and strategies for improving workplace health and safety conditions.



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TOGETHER WE:

- **Train workers** on workplace health and safety, including identifying and controlling hazards, OSHA rights and responsibilities, and specific topics such as chemical hazards, construction safety, and fall prevention
- **Advocate for tough enforcement** of existing health and safety laws, and fight for new protections for workers
- **Work with unions and workers centers** to develop effective health and safety programs
- **Educate the public** about workplace hazards and how they can be prevented
- **Observe Workers Memorial Week**, to remember those who have lost their lives at work, create public awareness, and win protections to prevent future tragedies
- **Promote a national agenda** to reduce exposure to workplace hazards, especially among high-risk groups, including immigrant workers, temporary and contract employees, minority workers, and young workers
- **Advocate for just compensation** for injured workers.

National COSH is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. We are governed by a volunteer Board of Directors whose members come from within member organizations.

WANT TO GET MORE INVOLVED?

Visit COSHNetwork.org to find a worker health and safety group near you. If you don't see a group in your area, contact National COSH and let's talk about how to advocate for safe and healthy workplaces in your community.

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