

Frequently Asked Questions

What does Cal/OSHA Consultation Service do?

- It provides safety and health assistance to employers through its free onsite consultation and a variety of other services
- Our professional staff helps companies prevent occupational injuries and illnesses and save money

What does an employer requested on-site Consultation cost?

Nothing. It's free - your tax dollars at work!

Will Cal/OSHA Enforcement know we are working with Consultation?

No. We are completely separate programs. We do not share information with Cal/OSHA Enforcement.

Will you "OSHA Proof" me?

No. Our visit is representative of the day of our visit. We can't guarantee that Enforcement wouldn't find any violations. But an onsite consultation visit may make an inspection much less likely and less serious.

Will I be fined if you find hazards?

No. Consultation does not issue citations, fines, or penalties.

Ask about Consultation's Partnership Programs



GOLDEN GATE
PARTNERSHIP
RECOGNITION



CA Safety & Health
Achievement
Recognition Program



CA Voluntary
Protection Program

What people say about Consultation

"They want to work with you. They want to help you. They don't want to see accidents happen."

-- Rod Trujillo, Wagner Rubber Products

"It (consultation) was the most helpful thing that we've ever done free, that's for sure."

-- Linda Bramante, Window Solutions

"They give you a good package (report and publications) that has a good handle on every aspect of safety."

-- Michael W. Joyce, Cinema Production Services

How to Contact Consultation

If you are an employer who is interested in a **free consultation** visit or **need information** on the topic of occupational safety and health, contact the nearest Area Office or visit our website.

Statewide Toll-Free.....800-963-9424

Area Offices

Central Valley/Fresno 559-445-6800

San Francisco/Oakland 510-622-2891

No. California/Sacramento..... 916-263-0704

San Diego/Imperial 619-767-2060

San Bernardino 909-383-4567

La Palma/Los Angeles/Orange 714-562-5525

San Fernando Valley/Van Nuys 818-901-5754

Website

www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/consultation.html



Consultation Services



How Cal/OSHA Consultation Service Can Help with Your Workplace Safety and Health Needs

Call Now for
a
Free Visit



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Free Onsite Consultation

Benefits

Cal/OSHA's free onsite consultation visits help you in:

- Reducing injury and illness rates
- Lowering workers' comp. costs
- Improving worker morale
- Increasing productivity
- Identifying and analyzing hazards
- Removing potential hazards
- Using safer work practices
- Improving safety program
- Strengthening safety culture
- Providing training assistance

Role of the Consultant

Cal/OSHA consultants are experts in identifying workplace hazards and making recommendations to eliminate the hazards with the goal of improving workplace safety and health in a cooperative manner.

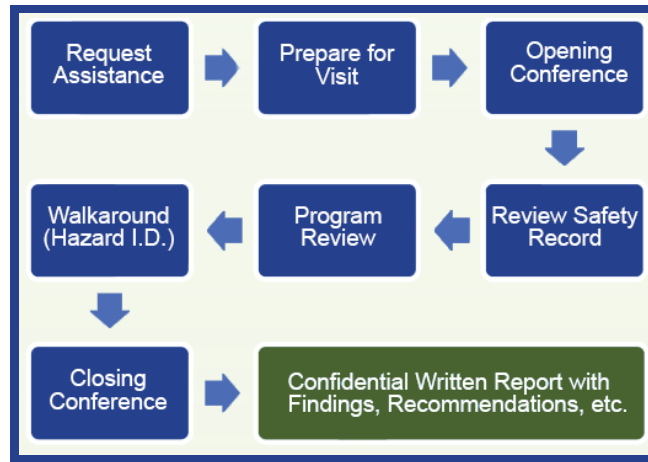
During the onsite visits the **Consultants will:**

- Help employers recognize hazards in the workplace
- Assist employers in developing or maintaining effective safety and health programs
- Suggest safe work practices
- Assess if an employer needs further assistance
- Provide employers with a confidential written report summarizing findings
- Provide safety and health training

Consultants will **not:**

- Issue citations or propose penalties for violations of regulations.

Onsite Visit Process



Requesting Assistance

Call your local Consultation Service office and request an onsite visit. The request will be assigned to a consultant who will contact you to schedule a date and time for the visit.

Preparing for the Visit

Have ready:

- Company safety programs
- Workers' compensation loss runs
- Cal/OSHA Form 300's



Opening Conference

The visit begins with an opening conference with management and employee representatives. For union companies, the representative should be present. Any employee participation is welcome.

The consultant will explain the process, and answer any questions or concerns that you may have.

Learning From Your Safety Record

The consultant will help identify hazards by analyzing your past injuries and illnesses. The focus will be on preventing future losses.

Program Review and Assistance

The consultant will review the written safety programs, and assess how well they are being put into practice.

You will receive materials and guidance in setting up an effective injury and illness prevention program.

Walk-Around Hazard Identification

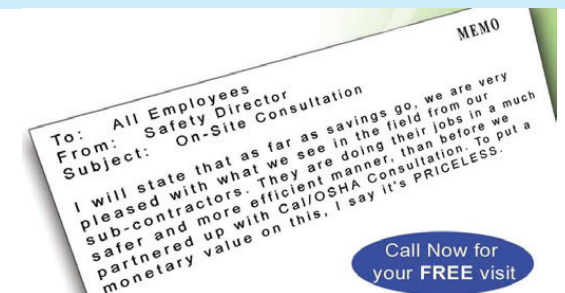
The consultant will conduct a walk-around inspection and help you identify and correct unsafe conditions and work practices.

Closing Conference

At the end of the on-site visit, the consultant will summarize the findings and time frames for correcting hazards with a confidential Written Report to follow.

Serving the Business Community

Cal/OSHA provides free and confidential safety and health advice to California employers committed to improving workplace safety and health.



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