

North American Occupational Safety and Health Week: May 2 to 8, 2021

This message has been approved by Tanya Rowell, CEO of the Public Service Commission

The **North American Occupational Safety and Health Week** is an international event spanning Canada, Mexico, and the United States. The goal during this week is to focus the attention of employers, employees, partners, and the public on the importance of preventing injury and illness in the workplace, at home, and in the community.

Starting on May 2nd and until May 8th, workplaces across North America will recognize North American Occupational Safety and Health Week and will be providing information to raise awareness of the importance of injury and illness prevention.

Workplace safety is a collective responsibility, and we must all do our part. It is essential to be educated on the risks, as well as injury prevention tips at your place of work. To further eliminate the risk of injuries, workers and employers alike must be aware of all safety rules and responsibilities. It is by following these rules and responsibilities that we will keep everyone safe at work.

This past year has highlighted new risks as a result of COVID-19, and it is more important than ever that we continue to do our part in carrying out safe work practices, whether our workspace is in the office, at home, or a combination of both. To assist you with this, please see <https://www.iwh.on.ca/newsletters/at-work/100/setting-up-temporary-home-office> for useful tips on setting up a home office.

Please visit us at <https://psc.gpei.ca/occupational-health-and-safety> for more information on department responsibilities for health and safety, accident reporting procedures, office ergonomics guidelines and other great topics.

Thank you, and stay safe.