A SAFER Tomorrow: Navigating the Changed World of Work

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Focus efforts where we can make the biggest impact: workplace, roadway, impairment
NSC led coalition to guide employers resuming work operations

Consolidated, data-driven guidance and recommendations for safe return to and continuation of work

A trusted voice looking across industry, government, labor, healthcare, trade association, and other key stakeholder needs
SAFER Framework
Six Key Components for a SAFER Return

- Office
- Closed Industrial
- Open Industrial
- Public

Cross-Topic Actions Guided by Level of Exposure/Phase

- Physical
- Medical
- Stress Emotional & Mental
- Employment Legal & HR
- Communication
- External Factors
Effective, timely and frequent communication is necessary to create the shared sense of safety and security among a workforce and ease the process of returning to work. In addition to including the details of the transition, a communications plan should anticipate employee concerns and questions.

The right communication tactics can exhibit enhanced caring from leadership and help employees practice better awareness of their surroundings for physical distancing and more.

- Instructions for Arrival
- Personnel & Policy Changes
Continuing Issues & Challenges
Five Key Areas to Address for Long Term Success

- Testing
- Contact Tracing
- PPE / Supply Chain
- Mental Health Challenges
- Physical Environment Design
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