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An overview of the Oregon Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation (OR-FACE) Program

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Abstract

Oregon Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation (OR-FACE) is a project funded by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health at the Oregon Institute of Occupational Health Sciences. The OR-FACE program is part of the Oregon Occupational Public Health Program, a public health practice and research partnership between Oregon Health & Science University and Oregon Health Authority. OR-FACE works to prevent workplace fatalities by conducting targeted surveillance, investigation, and assessment of traumatic workplace fatalities in Oregon. OR-FACE investigations of fatal occupational incidents assess risk factors, which include the working environment, the worker, activity, tools, energy exchange, and role of management. Through these investigations, OR-FACE develops intervention recommendations on how to prevent similar workplace fatalities in the future. OR-FACE also produces safety materials, such as hazard alerts in order to promote worker safety. The overall goal of the OR-FACE program is to better understand fatal incidents in order to help save the lives of other workers in similar situations. Our poster presentation will provide an overview of the OR-FACE program, which will include information about OR-FACE past accomplishments, current OR-FACE activities, and our objectives and aims for investigations and surveillance of workplace fatalities and outreach of high-risk industries. Do not remove the Research Week 2023 heading, the OHSU Logo, or the Keywords and Abstracts headings in this template, but please do edit the rest as appropriate for your abstract, including removing this and other instructional text.