

OSHA OVERVIEW MODULE I

ALL ABOUT OSHA

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OVERVIEW

The long term care industry employs an estimated two million workers. These workers provide around the clock resident care and assistance to chronically ill and disabled individuals. Despite the efforts of nursing home employers and employees in recent years, workers in nursing homes are more than twice as likely as other workers to be injured on the job.

In 2010, nursing homes and personal care facilities had one of the highest rates of injury and illness among industries for which lost workday injury and illness (LWDII) rates are calculated. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, nursing and personal care facilities experienced an average LWDII rate of 4.9 compared with 1.8 for private industry as a whole, despite the fact that feasible controls are available to address hazards within this industry.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Lesson 1 ~ Working with OSHA (OSHA 3302-02r)

This lesson provides a general overview of basic topics related to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and how it operates.

Lesson 2 ~ How OSHA Conducts Inspections

This lesson provides a general overview of basic topics related to OSHA and how it conducts inspections to assure compliance with OSHA requirements and help employers and workers reduce on-the-job hazards and prevent injuries, illnesses and deaths in the workplace.

Lesson 3 ~ Employer Rights and Responsibilities (OSHA 3000-09R)

This lesson provides a general overview of employer rights and responsibilities following a Federal OSHA inspection.

Lesson 4 ~ Workers' Rights (OSHA 3021-09R)

This lesson provides a general overview of worker rights under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act).