

Protecting Temporary Workers

In a recent OSHA Trade News Release, Dr. David Michaels, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health stated, "An employer's commitment to the safety of temporary workers should not mirror these workers' temporary status. Whether temporary or permanent, all workers always have a right to a safe and healthy workplace."

In order to provide a resource for staffing agencies and host employers to better protect temporary workers from hazardous situations, OSHA and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health have published Recommended Practices for Temporary Workers. OSHA and NIOSH hope these recommendations will encourage accountability and safety for temporary workers.

