

Stakeholders Best PracticesTailgate Safety Meeting Series



"Plan Your Work and Work Your Plan"

Lack of task analysis or risk assessment prior to starting a job is often the root cause of serious and fatal accidents. Miners should be trained to take the time to evaluate and plan each task. Miners and supervisors must work together to assure that the plan is followed for every task. When risk assessment is a natural and normal function before every job... *Safety Wins*.

Best Practices:

- Develop a culture where it is natural and normal to think through the task, identify the hazards, and assess the risks.
- Eliminate the hazards and reduce the risks prior to beginning work.
- Prepare! Select the proper tools and PPE to perform the job.
- Effectively communicate with coworkers before and during the task to minimize risk of injury.
- Stay focused on the job at hand. Avoid distractions that may cause your mind to wander.
- Properly train miners. Remember that training is more than just paperwork and oral instruction.
- Supervisors must continuously evaluate the effectiveness of training through personal contact and observations.



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