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- **I** Fall Prevention in Construction
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- **I** Employee rights and Employer responsibilities
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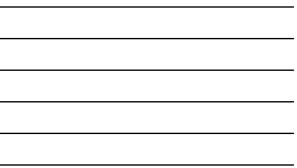
In your opinion what are the

	important ways to protect yourself from falling (fall protection measures)
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AGENDA

- Welcome
- Introduction to OSHA
- Worker's rights
- Introduction to Fall Protection
 Recognition of Fall Hazards
 Basic Fall Prevention Principles
 Basic Fall Protection Principles
 Brief Review of Applicable Standards
- ➢ Break

AGENDA

- Controlling the Hazard
 Hierarchy of Controls
 Restrain
 Components
 Fall Clearance
 Inspections
- Rescue

➤Certificates

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INTRODUCTION TO OSHA

Overview of anti-retaliation provisions, employee rights, employer responsibilities, whistleblower laws, and OSHA's complaint investigation procedures

WHY IS OSHA IMPORTANT TO YOU?

- OSHA began because, until 1970, there were no national laws for safety and health hazards.
- On average, 12 workers die every day from job injuries
- Worker deaths in America are down-on average, from about 38 worker deaths a day in 1970 to 12 a day in 2013.
- WORKER FATALITIES
- 4,836 workers were killed on the job in 2015
- Falls 364 out of 937 total deaths in construction in CY 2015 (38.8%)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

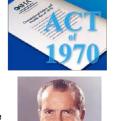
- When, during your work experience, did you first hear about OSHA?
- What did you think about OSHA then?

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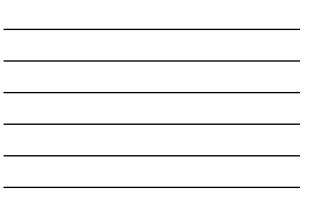
• What do you think OSHA's job is?

HISTORY OF OSHA

- OSHA stands for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, an agency of the U.S. Department of Labor
- OSHA's responsibility is worker safety and health protection
- On December 29, 1970, President Nixon signed the OSH Act
- This Act created OSHA, the agency, which formally came into being on April 28, 1971



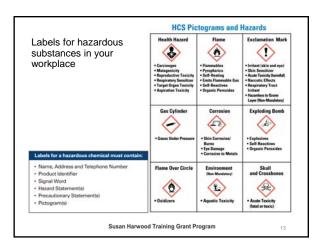




STRATEGIES TO REDUCE INJURIES AND DEATHS

- Strong, fair, and effective enforcement.
- Outreach, education, and compliance assistance.
- Partnerships and other cooperative programs.







OSHA INSPECTIONS

- The OSH Act authorizes OSHA compliance safety and health officers (CSHOs) to conduct workplace inspections at reasonable times.
- OSHA conducts inspections without advance notice, except in rare circumstances (e.g. Imminent Danger)
- In fact, anyone who tells an employer about an OSHA inspection in advance can receive fines and a jail term.

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INSPECTIONS PROCESS

- A typical OSHA on-site inspection includes four stages:
- 1. Presentation of inspector credentials.
- 2. An opening conference.
- 3. An inspection walk-around.
- 4. A closing conference.

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OSHA'S INSPECTION PRIORITIES

Priority	Category of Inspection
1st	Imminent Danger: Reasonable certainty an immediate danger exists
2nd	Fatality/Catastrophe: Reported to OSHA; inspected ASAP
3rd	Complaints/Referrals: Worker or worker representative can file a complaint about a safety or health hazard
4th	Programmed Inspections: Cover industries and employers with high injury and illness rates, specific hazards, or other exposures.
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OSHA'S COMPLAINT INVESTIGATIONS

- OSHA evaluates each complaint to determine how it can be handled best--an off-site investigation or an on-site inspection
- Before beginning an inspection, OSHA staff must be able to determine from the complaint that there are reasonable grounds to believe that a violation of an OSHA standard or a safety or health hazard exists.
- If OSHA has information indicating the employer is aware of the hazard and is correcting it, the agency may not conduct an inspection after obtaining the necessary documentation from the employer.

RIGHTS AS A WHISTLEBLOWER

- Employee may file a complain with OSHA under Section 11(c) if your employer retaliates against you by taking unfavorable personnel action because you engaged in protected activity relating to workplace safety and health.
- OSHA requires that complaints must be filed within 30 days after the alleged retaliation.

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RIGHTS AS A WHISTLEBLOWER

- Your employer may be found to have retaliated against you if your protected activity was a contributing or motivating factor in its decision to take unfavorable personnel action against you. Such actions may include:
 - Firing or laying off Blacklisting ÷ ÷ ÷
- ♦ Failing to hire or rehire
 ♦ Intimidation
- Denying overtime or promotion Disciplining
- ♦ ♦ Denying benefits

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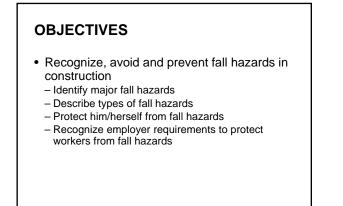
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 Intimidation
 Reassignment affecting promotion prospects
 Reducing pay or hour

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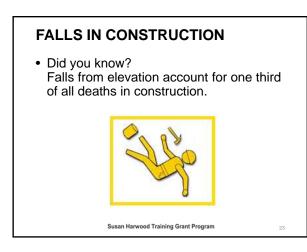
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FALLS IN CONSTRUCTION

- FALLS ARE THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH IN CONSTRUCTION.
- In 2015, there were 350 fatal falls to a lower level out of 937 construction fatalities (BLS data). These deaths are preventable.

FALLS IN CONSTRUCTION

- It is important that safety and health programs contain provisions to protect workers from falls on the job.
- The following hazards cause the most fallrelated injuries:
 - Unprotected Sides, Wall Openings, and Floor Holes
 - Unguarded Protruding Steel Rebars
 - Improper Scaffold Construction
 - Misuse of Portable Ladders

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OSHA REGULATIONS ON FALL PROTECTION

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Fall protection required when working at 6 feet above lower level

 Employer's operations will completely or mostly fall under one of the sectors listed and will follow their regulations.

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OSHA'S FALL PREVENTION CAMPAIGN

PLAN ahead to get the job done safely When working from heights, such as ladders, scaffolds, and roofs, employers must plan projects to ensure that the job is done safely. PROVIDE the right equipment

Workers who are six feet or more above lower levels are at risk for serious injury or death if they should fall.

TRAIN everyone to use the equipment safely Falls can be prevented when workers understand proper set-up and safe use of equipment.

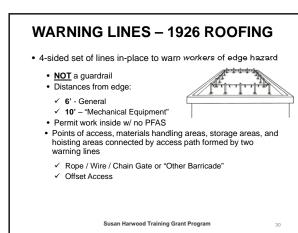
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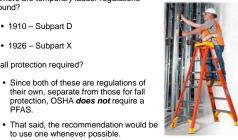
ROOF SAFETY

- Employees must be trained to avoid fall hazards on a roof and properly use fall protection equipment-this includes safety measures like:
 - ✓ Make sure your harness fits and is not defective when using PFAS
 - ✓ Always stay connected/tie off
 - ✓ Ensure that all anchor points are safe
 - ✓ Protect all holes, openings and skylights
 - ✓ Don't sit or walk on skylights or other openings

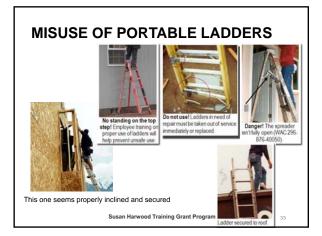


LADDER REGULATIONS · Where are temporary ladder regulations found?

- 1910 Subpart D
- 1926 Subpart X
- · Fall protection required?
 - · Since both of these are regulations of their own, separate from those for fall protection, OSHA *does not* require a PFAS.





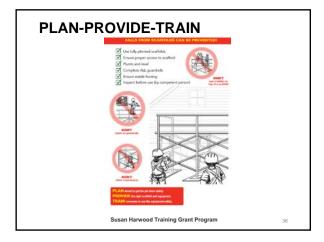








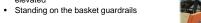


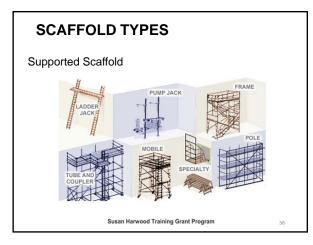




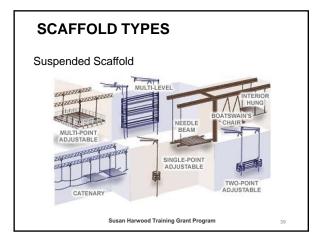
AERIAL LIFT FALL PROTECTION

- Is fall protection required?
- Where is the correct place to attach?
 - What about outside the basket?Basket guardrails?
- Connector Options Hierarchy:
 - 1) Restraint Lanyard
 - 2) PFL
 - 3) Energy-Absorbing Lanyard
- General Prohibitions:
 - Moving large distances w/ the basket elevated











SCAFFOLDS IN CONSTRUCTION

- Avoiding risks
 - Follow manufacturer's instructions.
 - Install guardrail systems along all open sides and ends of platforms.
 - Personal fall arrest system should be used on scaffolds higher than 10 feet.



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SCAFFOLDS IN CONSTRUCTION

- · Falling objects
 - Wear hardhats - Barricade area below
 - scaffold
 - Use panels or screens if material is stacked higher than the toe board.



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REBAR CAPS

• The OSHA Standard requires that rebar "be guarded to eliminate the hazard of impalement." Not all guards provide that level of protection. In some circumstances, the force of a fall can cause rebar to push clear through a plastic cap and still impale a worker, or the worker can be impaled by the rebar and the cap together.



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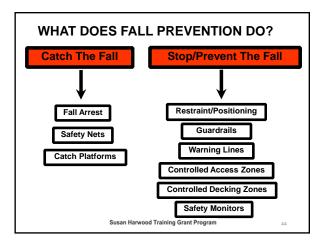
 Only rebar caps designed to provide impalement protection, such as those containing steel reinforcement, should be used.



• This type of cap positions a 2 x 4 over the exposed rebar, and has been approved by California OSHA.



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RESULTS OF A FALL

- The average fatal fall is only 6 feet
- A 6' foot fall generates over 3,200 lb of force that is the approximate weight of an average midsize car
- A fall from 10 feet has an 4 out of 5 probability of causing death or permanent injury
- A fall from 11 feet has an 8.5 out of 10 chance of causing death



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FALL PREVENTION PLANNING

- A fall prevention plan identifies places where regular fall prevention methods, such as guardrails, cannot be used.
- These are called Controlled Access Zones.
- Safety monitoring system should be installed in Controlled Access Zones

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- Fall prevention systems and work practices must be in place before you start work.
- These must be prepared by a qualified person.
- Plan shall be maintained at the job site
- Qualified person should supervise the plan

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Falls in Construction/Bridge Decking http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XSfkJqtE8J

AUTHORIZED PERSON

• Authorized Person:

A person approved or assigned by the employer to perform a specific type of duty or duties or to be at a specific location or locations at the jobsite.

- This is the "user" of the equipment.
- They know what they need to know in order to be able to perform their particular jobs

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COMPETENT PERSON

Competent Person: One who



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(1) is capable of identifying

[a] existing &

[b] **predictable hazards** in surroundings or work conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to employees, and

(2) who has *authorization* to take prompt corrective measures to eliminate them.

QUALIFIED PERSON

Qualified Person:

One who

(1) by possession of a

[i] recognized degree,

- [ii] certificate or
- [iii] professional standing, or

(2) who by extensive *knowledge*, *training*, and *experience*

has successfully demonstrated his ability to **resolve problems** relating to the subject matter, the work, or the project.

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FALL HAZARD ANALYSIS

- Before finding a solution the hazard must be evaluated.
- Use Hazard or Risk Prediction -- What are the conditions and behaviors to consider?
 - How will we get to the work area?
 - What are the hazards below the work area?
 - How high is the work area?
 - Are there holes or openings below or around the work area?
 - Are there slip or trip hazards around the work area?How difficult is it to rescue someone if they fall?



FALL PROTECTION REQUIREMENT

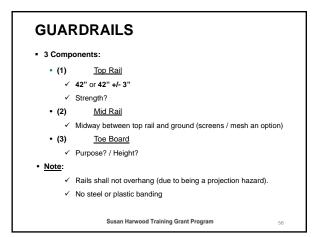
- "Unprotected sides and edges." Each employee on a walking/working surface (horizontal and vertical surface) with an unprotected side or edge which is 6 feet (1.8 m) or more above a lower level shall be protected from falling by the use of guardrail systems, safety net systems, or personal fall arrest systems.
- On scaffolds, fall protection is required at 10 feet.

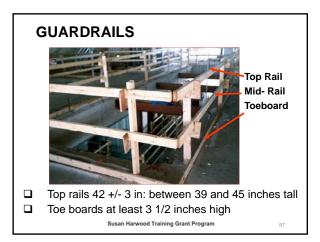
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AVOIDING FALL HAZARDS

- Construct all floor hole covers so they will effectively support two times the weight of employees, equipment, and materials that may be imposed on the cover at any one time.
- In general, it is better to use fall prevention systems, such as guardrails, than fall protection systems, such as safety nets or fall arrest devices, because they provide more positive safety means.

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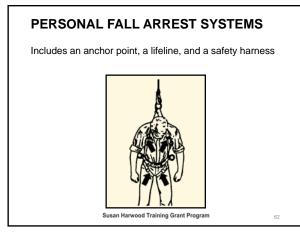
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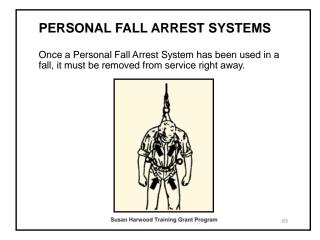
- Safety nets must be inspected for wear, damage, and other deterioration at least once a week, and after any occurrence which could affect the integrity of the system.
- Defective nets shall not be used, and defective components must be removed from service.
- Objects which have fallen into the safety net, such as scrap pieces, equipment, and tools, must be removed as soon as possible from the net and at least before the next work shift.

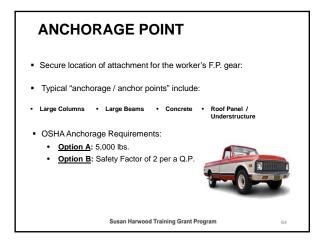
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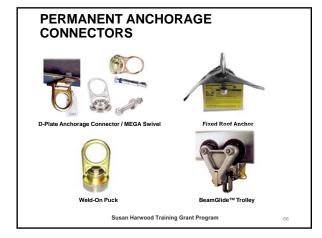




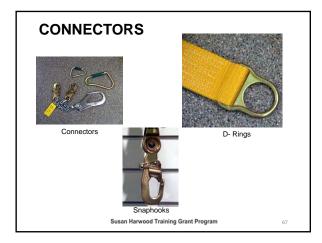




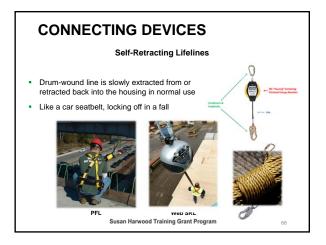




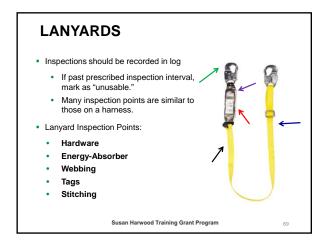


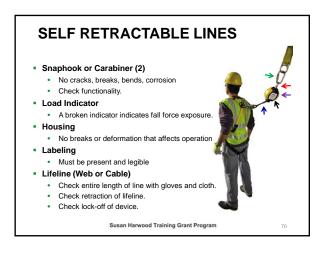




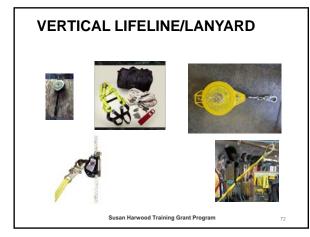


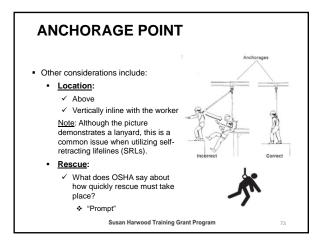
















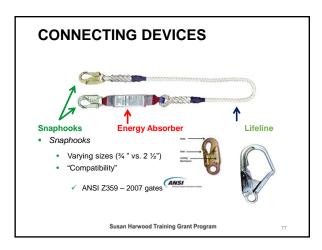




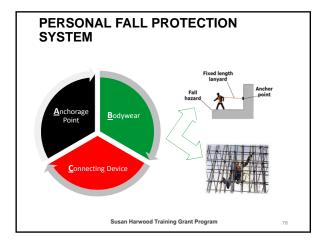
WEBBING

• Webbing are the ropes and straps used in lifelines, lanyards, and strength components of body harnesses. The webbing must be made from synthetic fibers.

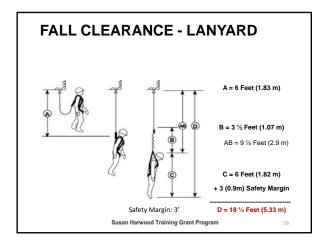




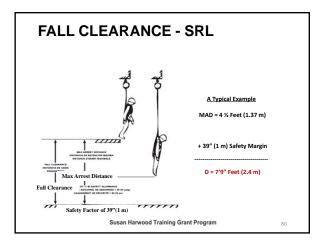


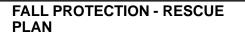












- Each time PPE is used, there must be a rescue plan!
 - You must be able to rescue someone in a minimum amount of time.
 - Identify the normal conditions and allowances.
 - Define the plan during the Hazard and Risk Prediction.







FALL RESCUE PROCEDURES

- Manage the people needed to operate the rescue equipment
- Protect rescue personnel during rescue operations
- Emergency medical technicians should give first aid if needed.
- The fall prevention plan must include provisions for quick rescue.



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Pre-training Test

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 - (a) An anchorage and a body belt
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Training Evaluation Form

Instructor:

Your opinions regarding this program are important to us. Your feedback will help us plan and improve future programs. Please take a moment to answer the following questions.

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2.	The course material was new to me.			
3.	The course material was presented in an interesting manner.			
4.	The time allocated for the course was "just right".			
5.	The physical facility was conducive to learning.			
6.	The instructor was knowledgeable of the subject.			
7.	The instructor was prepared.			
8.	The instructor's teaching style helped me learn the content.			
9.	The instructor added to the content with real world examples.			
10.	The handouts will be useful after the class.			
11.	The visuals and Power Points were easy to read and understand.			
12.	Information I learned will make me safer on my job.			
13.	I would recommend this program to others in my workplace.			
14.	Overall, I was very satisfied with the program.			

Additional comments, suggestions, and/or testimonials:

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