

Safety Profession grows as companies seek cost and time savings

Demand sparks need for Hiring Guide

TORONTO, ON, CANADA, May 8, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Because of increased demand for Safety practitioners, a free guide to help employers is being released today by the Canadian Society of Safety Engineering.

'Hiring a Health and Safety Practitioner' is designed to help employers hire, develop and better use Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) Practitioners at every rank, from entry-level to executive.

Compared to traditional professions, Occupational Health and Safety is relatively new and rapidly evolving. Responsibilities of practitioners range

from construction site safety and workplace harassment to office ergonomics and corporate social responsibility.

The profession has grown to approximately 234,000 practitioners in Canada. "These professionals ensure that employees return from work safe everyday," states Jim Hopkins, president, Canadian Society of Safety Engineering. "Their job is in everybody's best interest." A recent Ipsos Reid study indicates that six out-of-seven OH&S professionals in large companies are considered vital to helping companies save time and money.

Nearly two-thirds of safety practitioners have some of the industry's 27 types of designations, accreditation, and certification. "The Guide's clear, simple format puts an end to 'designation confusion'" adds Hopkins.

The booklet is also a tool for practitioners. Its contents can assist in planning the professional development required to reach career goals.

'Hiring a Health and Safety Practitioner' can be downloaded at www.csse.org.

The Canadian Society of Safety Engineering (CSSE) is the largest health, safety and environmental organization for professionals in Canada. CSSE shapes the safety profession in Canada by working collaboratively with industry, governmental agencies, and other safety organizations to promote a greater awareness of health, safety, and environmental issues.



From office ergonomics to corporate social responsibility, safety practitioners have a wide range of responsibilities Jim Hopkins, President, Canadian Society for Safety Engineering

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