

Helping Injured Workers Return to Work Quickly & Safely



In a recent survey, you told us you wanted more information on return to work. Helping injured workers while they're out and reintegrating them back into the workplace when they're ready to return can be challenging tasks. So we understand why you want more help meeting this challenge.

The good news is that many of you feel you're already doing a good job in this area.

When we asked in a weekly poll how you'd rate your company's return-to-work program, you said:

- Good—we do a good job getting workers back on the job but could do better. (50%)
- Excellent—we do a great job of helping workers get back to work quickly and safely. (35%)
- Fair—we do what we're required to do by law and not much more. (8%)
- What return-to-work program' (7%)

For those of you who feel your return-to-work program needs improvement—or needs to be built from the ground up—take heart.

In the coming months, OHSInsider.com will be giving you more information and tools on this important topic, such as:

- Complying with the return-to-work requirements
- Developing an effective return-to-work program
- Making the business case for such a program
- A model fitness to work form
- A model modified work policy
- And much more.

In the meantime, here's information on return to work that's currently available on OHSInsider.com:

- Recorded webinar on the Ontario return-to-work rules
- Brief Your CEO: How Far Return-to-Work Programs Must Go to 'Accommodate' Injured Workers

- Making the Business Case for Safety: Adapting Return-to-Work Programs for Workers Working Nonstandard Schedules
- Using Supervisors to Improve the Return-to-Work Process, Part 1
- Supervisors and the Return-to-Work Process, Part 2
- Video from WorkSafeBC on return to work.

If there's specific information you want on return to work or particular problems you're having in this area, please let us know in the comments below.