

Poll Results Suggest that JHSCs Aren't Very Effective



Most Canadian workplaces have a [joint health and safety committee](#) (JHSC), which plays a key role in maintaining workplace health and safety and compliance with the OHS laws. But to do so, the JHSC must be effective and an active participant in the company's OHS program.

In a recent poll, we asked you how effective your JHSC was and the results aren't encouraging:

- 28% said the JHSC was somewhat effective, while another 28% said it wasn't effective at all
- Just 20% said the JHSC was very effective
- 8% said they didn't know
- A very troubling 16% said, 'What JHSC' (in general, workplaces with 20 or more employees require a JHSC or at least a health and safety representative).

The [OHSInsider](#) has many articles, tools, recorded webinars and other resources you can use to improve the effectiveness of your JHSC, including:

- A [questionnaire](#) that JHSC members can follow when evaluating the effectiveness of their committee
- An article on what makes [a 'gold standard' JHSC](#)
- Requirements for [training JHSC members](#)
- A [checklist](#) that identifies the activities employers need to perform to maintain a compliant committee
- [Answers to 14 FAQs](#) about JHSCs

- [5 tips for more effective JHSC inspections](#)
- A [recorded webinar on common JHSC mistakes](#)
- A JHSC [meeting](#)

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