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Save the Date for Next Level Safety!

The VPPPA is excited to announce the launch of a brand new virtual conference - **Next Level Safety!**



April 20-21, 2021

Reasons to Attend:

- 24 top-quality educational workshops in 3 tracks: VPP, "New to Safety," OSHA.
- Workshops presented by top federal and state-plan VPP OSHA representatives.
- Access to all 24 workshops, including Q&A sessions and presentations for 30 days.
- Direct dialogue with presenters during the live Q&A

sessions.

- Topics include:
 - Virtual audits
 - Walking-working surfaces
 - Top 10 OSHA Violations
 - ROI of VPP (round table discussion)
 - And many more!

Registration opens this Monday, January 25!

LEARN MORE

Upcoming VPPPA Webinars

Topic: VPP Virtual Audit Process

Speakers: Matt Gaines, Region VII VPP Manager

Date: January 27

Time: 1:00 PM ET

Price: Free Members, \$85 Nonmembers

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Topic: OSHA Under the Biden Administration

Speaker: Courtney Malveaux

Date: January 28

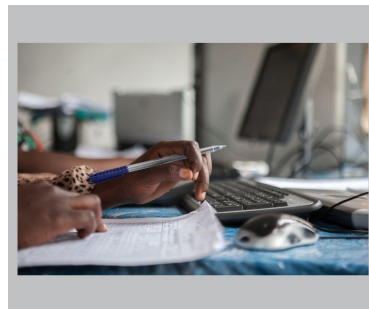
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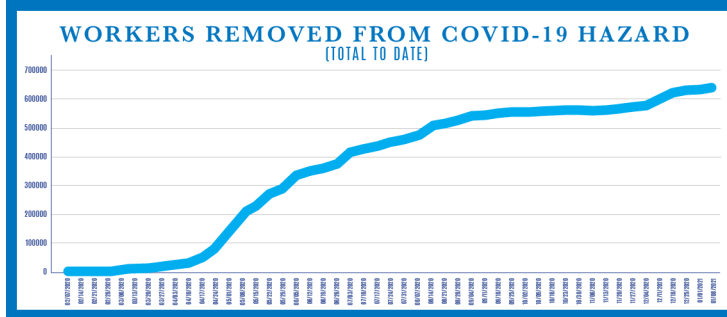
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News from OSHA

- On Jan. 15, 2021, OSHA's civil penalty amounts for workplace safety and health violations will increase based on cost-of-living adjustments for 2021. Read the [Federal Register notice](#) and visit the [OSHA Penalties webpage](#) for more information.
- OSHA guidance provides tips to protect workers transporting and storing COVID-19 vaccines. To learn more, click [here](#).
- **Injury Reporting:** Specific employers must submit the required 2020 injury and illness data by **March 2**. For more information, click [here](#).
- OSHA has removed 628,316 workers from COVID-19 hazards during the coronavirus pandemic. More information can be found [here](#).





Submit A Workshop Proposal for Safety+ 2021

Join us at the 2021 Safety+ Symposium! The event will be held from **August 31 - September 2, 2021**, at the Gaylord Opryland Convention Center in Nashville, TN.



A great way to participate in the event is to be a speaker. Share your on-the-job experiences, best practices or safety & health expertise by presenting a workshop.

Proposals are due on February 12. You won't want to miss this opportunity!

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January Behavioral Health Q&A Column

VPPPA has partnered with the experts at MindWise Innovations to present a monthly Q&A article addressing questions that members might be hesitant to ask about. These columns will address your questions about mental health, substance abuse, brain injuries, family issues and more.



The January article discusses tips for self care in the new year.

To submit your own question (your information will not be shared), [fill out this form.](#)

Read Blog

Congratulations on Re-approval!

Congratulations to the rental employee-partners at Cintas Corporation's location 754 in Eagan, MN, for receiving the Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) Star re-approval from OSHA. Keep up the great work!



Join the VPPPA N.O.W.

Are you a woman in safety looking to network with industry peers? Consider joining the **VPPPA N.O.W. (Network of Women)** group!

This is a private space to come together as women to encourage, pose questions and empower. We are currently over 150 members strong and growing daily! Don't miss the opportunity to network and learn with us.

Join N.O.W.

Association Announcements

Write for a VPPPA Publication

Have you checked out the [VPPPA Blog?](#) Send us an article regarding any safety or health topic, and we will consider adding it to our blog schedule.

If you would like to write for a VPPPA publication, or know of someone who is interested, please email communications@vpppa.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

Membership News

If you have any news or pictures from your site that you would like to share (an award, a VPP approval, a member who went above and beyond, etc.), please send it to communications@vpppa.org.

We would love to add your updates to the next **On The Level** newsletter or post it on our social media pages.



Congratulations to the January VPPPA Member of the Month, Samantha W. Shoope!

Make sure you visit the [Member of the Month](#) section on our website!

If you would like to nominate someone as the VPPPA Member of the Month, please fill out our [nominations form](#).

Thank you to our Star level sponsors!



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