TAKE 5 FOR SAFETY

5-MINUTE SAFETY DRILL

Accident Investigations: Create Opportunities For Change

Date:_____

Student:_____

Dept:_____

Station:_____

Training Code:_____

NOTES:

CHALLENGE

Accidents should always be thoroughly investigated. The true purpose is to prevent recurrence. This requires getting to the "root" cause of accidents and injuries.

Thorough analysis points out that many others may have had "NEAR MISSES", and frequently we find that the unsafe behavior is a common practice. In a profession based on speed, we often take risks that are not wise. Our culture must embrace safety as a priority always. Sadly, accidents too often are the means for organizations to make the needed changes that create a safer environment.

DISCUSSION

- How effective is the accident analysis process in our department?
- Does the analysis result in findings that provide recommendations for change?
- Are we sure we have gotten to the 'root" cause, how can we be sure?
- Do we have cultural drift that promotes different behavior than our policies dictate?
- What can we do to develop a stronger safety culture?

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