

CSI Country Wide Case Study Safety Strategy Discussion

Construction Safety Investigator



Instructions

The objective of this tool is to provide field supervisors with information to proactively engage workers and discuss safety related concerns that they may encounter. Safety discussions should not be limited to the subject above and should pertain to the activities that workers will be involved in that may have the potential for safety related exposures.

Case Day:

June 2007

Accident Type:

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Accident - Eye Injury

Relevant laws, rules and codes may include:

29CFR 1926.20(a)(1), 1926.21(b)(2), 1926.102

Case:

A 22 year-old carpenter was injured after a nail flew into his eye.

Accident Detail:

The injured worker was a carpenter working for a residential framing contractor. At the time of the incident, he was nailing together sections of wall.

While nailing the sections together, the carpenter swung the hammer to begin driving a new nail when the nail flew back up into the workers face, impaling him in the right eye.

The worker then pulled the nail from his own eye before paramedics could arrive.

Reconstructive Safety Evaluation:

- What are some of the possible causes of the accident being discussed?
- What actions could have been taken that might have prevented this accident from occurring?

