

Smart Step. Safe Step. Safety Discussion Points



**Something as simple as an untied shoelace
could result in a trip or fall.**



- If you noticed a co-worker's shoe was untied, would you point it out to them?
- How likely is it that someone would point it out to you if your shoe was untied?
- What are the potential consequences of saying nothing?

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Slips, trips, and falls are one of the leading causes of injury. Fortunately, they're highly preventable.



Tragedy could be one step away.

- Does anyone have any personal accounts or experiences they're willing to share about a slip, trip, or fall that resulted in injury?
- How could the incident have been prevented?
- What's the role of co-workers in helping avoid injuries?

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Slip, trip, and fall hazards are so common that we no longer recognize the risks associated with them.



**Trip hazards aren't always
this obvious.**

- Where do slip, trip, or fall hazards exist in our workplace?
- What would it take to eliminate or reduce them?
- How can we help raise awareness about hazards that can't be eliminated?

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Falls from an elevated position often result in significant bodily harm, with long-term pain and suffering.



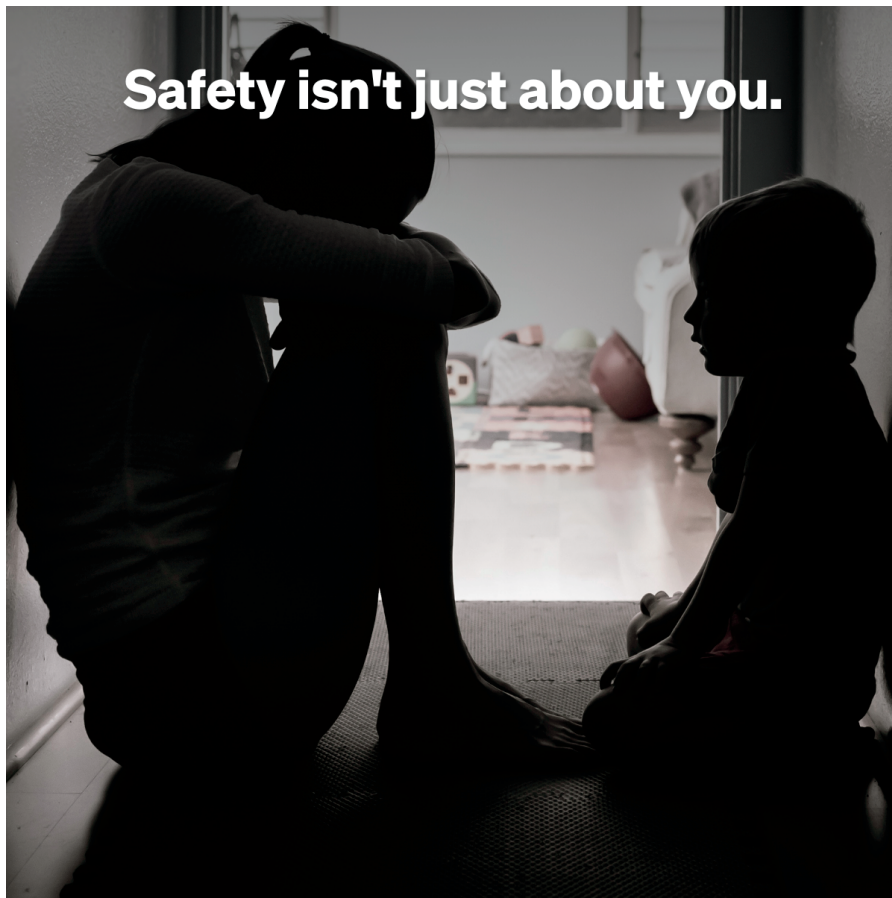
**One second of safety can save
you from a lifetime of pain.**

- Why would someone choose to expose themselves to a fall hazard, in an elevated position, without wearing fall protection?
- Does everyone know and understand when fall protection should be worn?
- Are we consistently using anchorage points that would actually stop a fall, should one occur?

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Safety is about more than rules and procedures. It's about people. Suffering isn't limited to the victims involved.



- If you were injured from a slip, trip, or fall requiring a lengthy recovery, how would your family or loved ones be impacted?
- Do you have hobbies or favorite pastimes that could be impacted?
- How upsetting would it be for you to learn that a loved one had fallen on the job, suffering significant injury, because they elected to take a shortcut for convenience?

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Most of us routinely walk past slipping hazards without considering the associated risks involved.



- If you see conduit, screws, or other debris in walkways, what's your typical response?
- How likely are you to clean up water, hydraulic fluid, or oil in a walkway?
- Does anyone have experience with anti-slip soles on shoes you would be willing to share?