

Point of Care Assessments: Assessing and controlling risks in your actions

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Get to Know Us

- Industry-funded health and safety association formed in January 2014
- Mandate: Reduce injuries among continuing care workers in BC
- Membership: Defined according to classification unit
 - Long-term care
 - Community health support



About the Sector

Home Care and
Community Health
Support

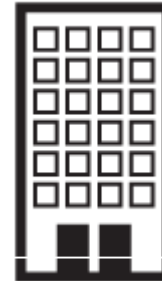


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Long-term
Care



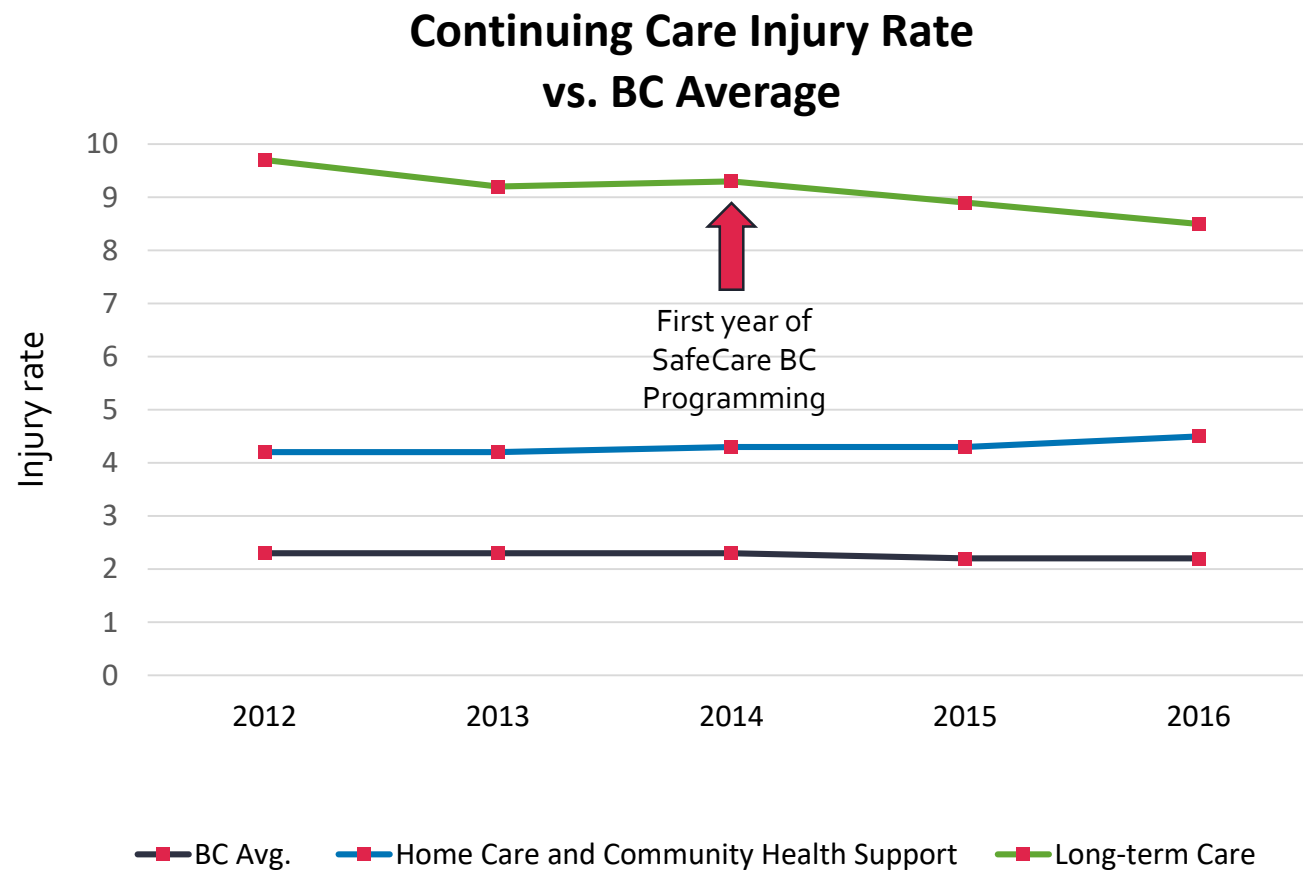
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Injury rates in the sector



- Home Care and Community Health Support joined SafeCare BC in 2017
- Based on WorkSafeBC 2016 data

■ Some ground rules

- Welcome! You picked an interactive session. This means...
 - Please, participate!
 - Instructions will be given during the presentation
 - Respect and seek out each others' contributions.
 - There is truly no such thing as a dumb question...only unasked ones.
 - Create a safe space for others. It's tough to put yourself out there!
 - Have fun!



Have you heard of a Point of Care Assessment?

Go to www.slido.com and log your response
Event Number: 4065



What can a Point of Care Assessment be used for?

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WHAT
DO
YOU
THINK?



■ So...what is a Point of Care Assessment?

- A quick mini-appraisal to assess:
 - Person in care
 - Environment
 - Task
 - Self
- In our sector, it involves asking a series of questions before proceeding with providing care



Why do a Point of Care Assessment?

- People's abilities change – sometimes hourly
 - A person who was agreeable to going for breakfast in the morning may not be the same for lunch
- Reduce the risk of a workplace injury
 - Raises awareness of hazards and risk
 - Must be done at the planning stage to be effective



Applying point of care risk assessment to violence prevention



Watch this while thinking about point of care assessments



It could happen to you



Now... Let's practice completing a Point of Care Assessment

Work through the exercise at your table



So...what did we come up with?



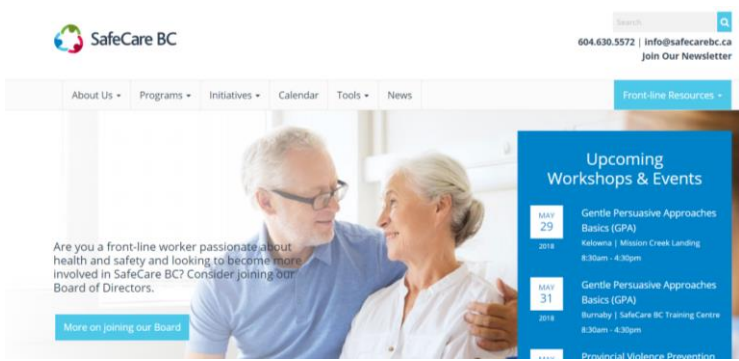
■ Lets go back and watch the video again



It could happen to you



Implementing the Point of Care Assessment



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Point of Care Assessment

1. A point-of-care assessment is a series of questions to ask yourself about the environment, person in care, the task and you, as the care giver.
2. This quick, informal check-in reminds you to observe both the person for signs of escalation and the environment for potential risk.
3. Employers have a responsibility to support the use of a point of a care assessment by sharing it with staff, and provide instructions on what to do if risks are identified.



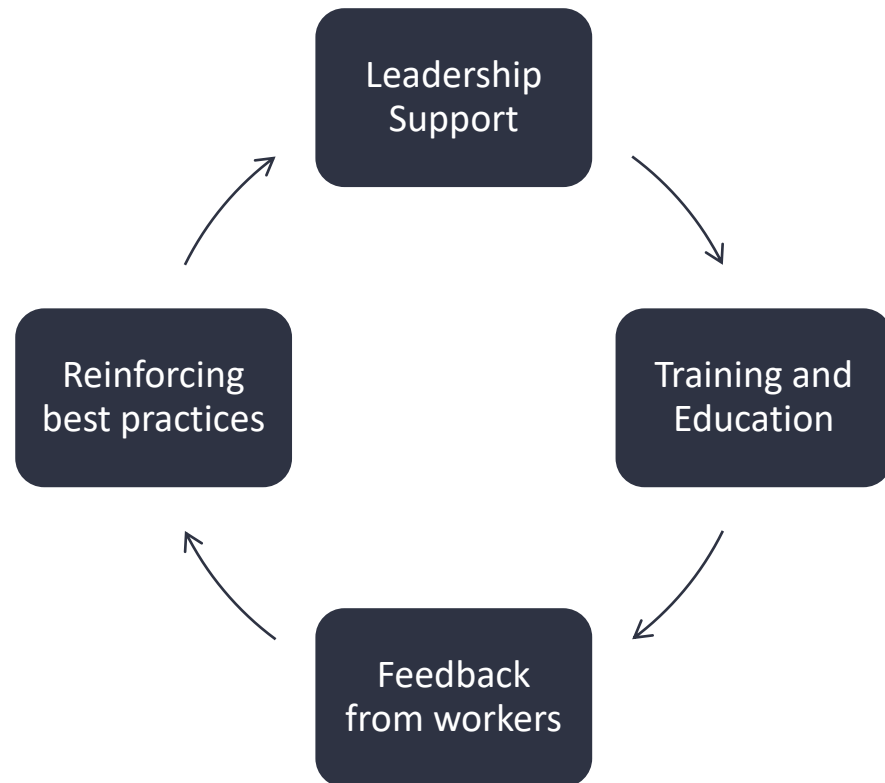
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Provide cards to your workers and reinforce these practices



Implementing the Point of Care Assessment in your organization



Well... here is how you can use a point of care risk assessment everyday!





Thank You!

Questions?

