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Preventing Workplace Injuries and Illnesses

Estimates indicate that workplace injuries and illnesses cost the nation's businesses over \$160 billion per year. Workplace injuries, illnesses and fatalities also cause immense pain and suffering to employees and their families. A proven system in reducing the extent and severity of work-related injuries and illnesses and their related costs is the implementation of an Effective Safety and Health Management System (SHMS). The critical elements of an effective SHMS include:

- Management commitment and employee involvement;
- Worksite analysis;
- Hazard prevention and control; and
- Training for employees, supervisors and managers.



For more information on improving safety and health in your workplace, please contact the UVICELL Safety In Paradise office on St. Thomas at 693-1146, on St. Croix at 713-1619 or via email at safetyinparadise@uvi.edu.