



**Health PEI**  
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH,  
SAFETY, & WELLNESS

# SAFETY TALK



## Hearing Conservation

### Why is hearing conservation important?

Approximately 60% of Canadian adults have hearing health problems and 11 million Canadians (43%) aged 19 to 79 have worked in noisy environments.

### WCB Regulations—Hearing Conservation Program

Having a hearing conservation program ensures the hearing health of all employees by implementing these program elements.

- Measurement of noise in the workplace
- Implementing noise controls
- Education and training
- Annual hearing tests
- Annual program review



### How to Protect Yourself

- Wear hearing protection if required for your job
- Report any noisy areas to your manager so they can be assessed
- Follow any signs posted indicating a noise hazard area

Source: [World Hearing Day - Statistics Canada](#)

Source: [StatsCAN Plus - Statistics Canada](#)

Source: [Occupational Health and Safety Act General Regulations](#)

*Safety is everyone's responsibility!*

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SAFETY TALK LEAD BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
DEPARTMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

WHAT PERCENTAGE OF CANADIANS HAVE HEARING HEALTH PROBLEMS?

WHAT IS ONE OF THE ELEMENTS OF A HEARING CONSERVATION PROGRAM?

HOW CAN I PROTECT MYSELF FROM HEARING HEALTH PROBLEMS AT WORK?

EMPLOYEE CONCERNS & IDEAS FOR IMPROVEMENT:

EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

FOLLOW UP ON CONCERNS:

If you have any feedback on the Safety Talks program or a suggestion for a Safety Talk, please contact a member of the Wellness & Safety Team or email [healthpeihr@ihis.org](mailto:healthpeihr@ihis.org).

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