



# **NSS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

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### **Ministry of Labour Blitzes**

#### **Ministry of Labour to Target High Risk Sectors and Repeat Offenders**

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Ontario is conducting more than two dozen inspection blitzes in the 2018-2019 to ensure employers are meeting health, safety and employment standards at workplaces across the province. Sectors with new and young workers, temporary help, vulnerable workers and a history of low compliance are the ones they are concentrating more on.

All Ministry of Labour Enforcement Staff will be visiting workplaces such as warehouses, "big-box" retail, grocery stores, chemical manufacturing plants, pulp and paper mills, hotels, golf courses, health care organizations, mines and construction projects.

Occupational Health and Safety Inspectors will be on the lookout for occupational health and safety violations involving issues such as working at heights, hazardous materials, machine guarding, conveyers, mobile equipment, violence, ergonomics and falls. The goal of having the inspectors out is to help raise awareness that safety is everyone's responsibility, to enhance workplace health and safety and to help prevent workplace injuries, illnesses and deaths.

***The province has appointed Ron Kelusky as Ontario's new Chief Prevention Officer, as of March 12, 2018. Ron is continuing the government's commitment to ensuring safe and healthy workplaces.***

#### **Upcoming Ministry of Labour Blitzes**



**Working at Heights – Fall Protection Training –Construction Sector - May 1, 2018 - June 30, 2018**

**New and Young Workers' Health and Safety – All Sectors – May 1, 2018 – August 31, 2018**

**Conveyor guarding in mines and mining plants – Mining Sector – May 21, 2018–July 31, 2018**

**Internal Responsibility System – Newly Registered Small Businesses – April 1, 2018-March 31, 2019**

**Internal Responsibility System – Workplace Violence Prevention – Health Care Sector – April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019**

**Employment Standards – Construction Sector – May 1, 2018 – August 31, 2018**

**Machine Guarding – All Sectors – February 1, 2018 – March 29, 2019**

***Northern Safety Solutions is pleased to welcome Misiway Milopemahtesewin Community Health Centre to the Workplace Management System Program***



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