

WSH Bulletin

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Register to catch livestreaming of the launch of the National WSH Campaign 2021 online on 29 April

Join us to watch the livestreaming of the National WSH Campaign Launch event on a virtual platform on Thursday, 29 April 2021. Whether you are an employer or an employee, you are welcome to participate in this year-long Campaign that aims to rally everyone to "Take Time to Take Care" of their safety and health at work.

The National WSH Campaign is organised by the WSH Council and supported by the Ministry of Manpower, National Trades Union Congress and Singapore National Employers Federation.

Event Details

Date: 29 April 2021 (Thursday)

Time: 10.30am - 11.30am

Programme Outline for the Campaign Launch

- Welcome Address by Mr John Ng, Chairman of the WSH Council
- Opening Speech by Mr Zaqy Mohamad, Senior Minister of State for Manpower
- Launch of National WSH Campaign 2021
- Commencement of onstage campaign activities

Click [here](#) to register for the event. A meeting invite will be sent to you upon confirmation, nearer to the event date.

Meanwhile, you can catch our teaser videos on the Campaign microsite at www.taketimetotakecare.sg. Bookmark this website and watch out for the full details about the Campaign on 29 April 2021.

Safe Hands Campaign 2021 reminds industry to ensure machinery safety

Jointly organised by the Workplace Safety and Health (WSH) Council and the Singapore Manufacturing Federation (SMF), the Safe Hands Campaign 2021 was launched on 25 March 2021 and well attended by about 450 attendees. This annual campaign focuses on raising awareness on hand and finger injuries at the workplace, and how to prevent them.

SMF President, Mr Douglas Foo, kickstarted the event with a reminder that hand and finger injuries are preventable, and encouraged companies to gear towards Industry 4.0. He cited the example of how a candy factory utilised technology to replace the manual process of crushing sugar into a fully automated process, reducing the risk of hand and finger injuries.

Senior Minister of State (SMS) for Manpower, Mr Zaqy Mohamad, gave the opening address. With the spate of workplace fatalities in February, SMS Zaqy urged everyone to

conduct a Safety Time-Out; review their risk assessments; and practise Lock-Out Tag-Out to ensure that machines are not accidentally activated. He also highlighted that as machinery incidents accounted for nearly one-third of all injuries in the manufacturing sector, the industry must continue to put in place safe practices to protect their workers' hands and fingers, especially when using machinery.

A learning journey video featuring SMS' visit to 3M Innovation Singapore Pte Ltd showcased how 3M has adopted technology to reduce hand and finger injuries. For example, the automatic packing machine replaced all manual packing processes, limiting the exposure to safety hazards while improving productivity.

To further showcase good WSH practices within the manufacturing industry, a video titled "Safer Machines, Safer Hands" featured devices like light curtains and machine guards to ensure the safer use of machinery.

The last presentation by Asia Transportation and Electronics shared about how the company has built a strong safety culture. The event ended off with a lively Q&A discussion with 3M, with questions ranging from WSH ownership to near miss reporting.



View the 3M learning journey video [here](#).

View the "Safer Machines, Safer Hands" video [here](#).

Read the speech by Mr Zaqy Mohamad, Senior Minister of State for Manpower [here](#).

Read the speech by Mr Douglas Foo, President of SMF, [here](#).

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