TOWARDS ZERO
An Occupational Health And Safety Strategy For
The Nova Scotia Construction Safety Association

TIME-LOSS INJURY CLAIM RATE PER WORKER
1994-2015
OUR MISSION

“We commit to achieve a positive occupational health and safety culture within the Nova Scotia construction industry through the provision of quality, accessible and affordable services.”

OUR VISION

Together, construction workers and employers will make the Nova Scotia construction industry the safest in Canada.

OUR OPERATIONAL PRINCIPLES

“The actions of our past attribute the architecture of our future”.

- User-driven services and products
- Fiscal responsibility
- Fostering shared values for safe work
- Supporting young construction workers
- Quality and efficient service delivery
- Evidence based decision making
- Focused on improving outcomes

MEMBERS AWARENESS/ ENGAGEMENT/ COMPLIANCE/ CERTIFICATION

GOALS:

- Achieve 100% awareness by employer members of membership status & benefits of NSCSA
- Achieve 100% awareness by employer members of basic OHS legislative requirements
- Ensure 80% of employer members have accessed our services within a 3 year period
- Ensure 100% of our services will be accessible or available online throughout the province
- Continually review and improve service delivery methods and techniques to ensure OHS knowledge transfer and retention effectiveness
- Achieve 60% of employer members participating in compliance training
- Establish industry benchmarks and assess performance against those benchmarks
- Achieve 40% of employer members COR Certified

SAFETY CULTURE

GOALS:

- Position the NSCSA as the primary point of contact and premiere provider of OHS services in the construction industry
- Leverage the WSIS initiatives for continued participation in the youth safety awareness programs
- Encourage the development of a rate model for the Nova Scotia construction industry that reflects the impact of the construction sector improvement
- Collaborate with our partners to improve the efficiency and outcomes for prevention and enforcement issues

INJURY REDUCTION

GOALS:

- Reduce time-loss claims in the construction industry by 35%
- Participation in NSCSA injury reduction program(s) by all employer members with time-loss claims
- Enhance our partnerships with government to ensure services are provided to those employer members having workplace injuries
- Ensure key stakeholders and buyers of construction services are champions of OHS & injury prevention in construction
- Foster strategic partnerships with government agencies and educational institutions to improve industry compliance
- Develop a minimum OHS entry level standard for the Nova Scotia construction workers
- Increase participation in NSCSA safety designation programs to 15%
- Fostering shared values for safe work
- Supporting young construction workers
- Evidence based decision making
- Focused on improving outcomes