

DN2 - Do - controlling workplace health issues

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Element 2: Mental ill-health, well-being, workplace violence and lone working

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An employer's Guide to engaging an occupational health physician, Faculty of Occupational Medicine of the Royal College of Physicians, http://www.fom.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/empopguid.pdf

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Element 4: Hazardous substances

COSHH Essentials, http://www.hse.gov.uk/coshh/essentials/index.htm

Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), http://www.unece.org/trans/danger/publi/ghs/ghs rev06/06files e.html#c38156

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Element 5: Health risks from hazardous substances

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