

Below is an overview of what was shared during the June 10, 2022, LSI Town Hall Meeting. If you have questions please email us at loggersafety@lni.wa.gov

Safety Consultant Visits

1. Who will provide my safety evaluations?

Safety consultants from L&I's Division of Safety and Health (DOSH) will perform all onsite evaluations. L&I no longer uses a thirdparty safety-audit company.

2. Will consultation visits take more time out of my workday?

It's possible that a visit could take more time from your workday because we'll be asking new interview questions. The questions will be geared towards employers and supervisors/company owners. To save time, please have a manager and the needed employees available to answer the questions.

3. Do I have a say in who comes out and inspects my jobsite?

No. L&I makes the decision regarding who visits jobsites. DOSH safety consultants are typically assigned based on their workload and the location of your company.

LSI Website

4. Can I choose my own safety training?

Yes. L&I has developed a Logger Safety Initiative training library that is available on its website. You can pick which training fits your needs at any time. Remember, crew training must be completed and documented once a quarter at a minimum.

5. Where can I find commonly used forms?

You can find forms such as Emergency Medical Plans and Whistle Permit Applications on the LSI website.

LSI Premium Audits

6. How often will I have an LSI workers' compensation technical premium audit?

An LSI workers' compensation technical premium audit usually happens at least once every two years.

7. How much information will I need to provide for premium audits?

You now only have to provide information from the last two quarters, instead of a full year, for premium audits. That cuts the amount by 50%.

LSI Insurance Premium Discounts

8. What behaviors will be evidence of going "above and beyond?"

Examples of going "above and beyond" include: utilizing near-miss and accident investigation programs; training and/or retraining your crew when a near-miss or accident happens; utilizing the Return to Work program if you have a claim; and consulting with a risk manager.

9. Who is evaluating what my premium discount will be?

L&I will create a new underwriter position in the LSI program who will manage the discounts assignments in cooperation with the LSI program manager.

10. What can I do if I disagree with the determination?

The LSI program will create a process to address any disagreements with a determination. The program will keep you informed of what you need to know throughout the process.

11. What conversations should I be having with risk management?

You can review your workplace injury history with a risk manager. They can provide a step-by-step plan to help you prevent injuries and control industrial insurance costs.

12. What if I have a claim? Will I lose my discount?

Not necessarily. The LSI program is in the development stages of identifying all measures that will be evaluated.

13. When will I receive a new Memorandum of Participation contract? Beginning January 2023, LSI participants will receive new contracts that will expire each year.

14. When will the new discounts go into effect? They'll begin in 2024.