Summary Report - 08/23/16

- On 03/21/16, a 66 year-old, Food Service Worker (Ms. Hai Nguyen) at the San Bernardino Valley campus while working in 1 of the 2 walk in refrigerators in the cafeteria, slipped and fell on the floor, inverting her entire leg.
- The floor was wet and slippery from condensation released from the refrigeration unit.
- Subsequent to the injury the employee was transported to the hospital and underwent an emergency surgical procedure, for a fractured femur, in her thigh.
- SBCCD, Safety & Risk Mgmt. followed with an internal accident investigation the same day that the injury occurred, documented the incident, took photographs and recommended corrective action to the VPAS, Mr. Stark and the Facilities Director, Mr. Jenkins.
- Cal-OSHA standards require that the Cal-OSHA local branch be notified in writing or via the hotline, if an employee is involved in an injury, which leads to an overnight hospital stay, therefor since this was the case, Cal-OSHA was notified by SBCCD, Safety & Risk Mgmt. on behalf of the campus.
- Subsequent to the Cal-OSHA notification to the San Bernardino office, a Cal-OSHA inspector showed up on site within several weeks to conduct an independent investigation of the incident.
- Since the incident/accident has occurred, the employee has fully recovered from her injuries, subsequent to the surgical procedure and returned to work, with no restrictions on 08/04/16.

The three (3) Cal-OSHA, inspector findings were as follows, which were forwarded in writing on 08/22/16.

- 1. Prior to and during the course of the inspection, including, but not limited to March 25th, 2016 the employer failed to ensure that the area around the bottom of the extension ladder located in the SBVC, cafeteria was clear of obstructions.
- 2. Prior to and during the course of the inspection, including, but not limited to March 25th, 2016 the employer failed to ensure that all working surfaces were free of dangerous projections or obstructions, maintained in good repair, and reasonably fee of oil, grease or water. As a result on or about 4:30 PM on March 21st, 2016 an employee sustained serious injuries when she slipped and fell on a puddle water that accumulated on the floor.
- 3. Prior to and during the course of the inspection, including, but not limited to March 25th, 2016 the implementation of the employer's written IIPP procedures for identifying and evaluating workplace hazards did not result in a comprehensive evaluation of the hazards present at the site. The walk-in refrigerator system was producing moisture and accumulating on the floor, causing a slipping hazard.

The action plan for corrective action included the following as recommended by SBCCD, Safety & Risk Mgmt. to the campus administration.

- Install rugs in the walk-in refrigeration units, in the cafeteria, which will ensure that the environment maintains a slip free status. <u>— Completed by SBVC, Maintenance & Operations, see the attached photo.</u>
- Remove all ½ size wall mounted ladders, T/O the campus and install full size, wall mounted ladders that extend from the roof to the ground level. ½ size wall mounted ladders removed by SBVC, Maintenance & Operations. Full-size, wall mounted ladders have been ordered, are on site and are to be installed by an independent contractor, in progress.
- Paint yellow hash marks on the floor around the newly installed full size wall mounted ladders and install signage adjacent to each full size, wall mounted ladder indicating that no items are to be stored under or around the applicable wall mounted ladder. – In progress to be completed by SBVC, Maintenance & Operations.
- SBCCD, Safety & Risk Management will be conducting live training for all SBVC, food services workers and the manager on the SBVC, Injury & Illness Prevention Program (IIPP), Slip, Trip and Fall Prevention and back safety/proper lifting techniques. Additionally, S&RM will train the cafeteria workers on the proper protocol on storage, whereas not to store items under or around any wall mounted ladders. In progress, we were waiting for the food services worker who sustained the injury to return to work and proceed with this training.

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO CLASSIFY CITATION AS SERIOUS

August 18, 2016

San Bernardino Community College District-San Bernardino Valley College 114 S. Del Rosa Drive San Bernardino, CA 92408

Dear Employer:

An inspection was opened by Brent Evins at a place of employment located at 701 S. Mount Vernon Ave., San Bernardino, CA 92410 on 03/25/2016. The purpose of this form is to inform you that pursuant to Labor Code Section 6432, the Division intends to cite as "serious" the following alleged violation:

Prior to and during the course of the inspection, including, but not limited to March 25, 2016, the employer failed to ensure that all working surfaces were free of dangerous projections or obstructions, maintained in good repair, and reasonably free of oil, grease, or water. As a result on or about 4:30 PM on March 21, 2016 an employee sustained serious injuries when she slipped and fell on a puddle water that had accumulated on the floor.

This alleged violation may be cited as a violation of one or more of the following regulations of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, or any other applicable regulation: 3273(a)

The Division may also classify the violation as "willful serious" or "repeat serious".

You are encouraged to provide, in writing, any statements and supporting evidence showing that the Division should not classify the citation as "serious". Factors the Division may consider include the following:

- 1. Training for employees and supervisors relevant to preventing employee exposure to the hazard or to similar hazards
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- 5. Any additional information that you wish to provide such as:
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If you have any questions, please contact me at the phone number or address in the letterhead.

Sincerely, A PM Ayman Shiblak District Manager

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3203(a)(4)

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