

OCTOBER 2023 MONTH IN REVIEW

Saskatchewan

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Privacy

Aug 1: Updated *Health Information Protection Act* regulations took effect in Saskatchewan. <u>Key changes</u> include new privacy protections for genetic information and limits on trustees' collection, use and disclosure of personal health information.

Action Point: Find out how <u>privacy laws affect workplace safety</u>

Workers Comp

Aug 14: The WCB published a new <u>Fact Sheet</u> explaining the Alternative Assessment Procedure (AAP) for calculating the workers comp rates, which is available to Saskatchewan trucking and transport companies that do business in other parts of Canada that opt not to follow the standard method of prorating premiums based on kilometres driven in each province or territory.

CASES

Training: Failure to Provide Safety Training Costs Contractor \$70,000

A construction company was fined \$70,000 after pleading guilty to not providing required safety information, instruction, training and supervision stemming from an incident in which a worker suffered serious injuries in the cab of a scraper buggy. Two other charges were dropped [KMS Construction Ltd., Govt. Press Release, August 23, 2023].

