

SEPTEMBER 2023 MONTH IN REVIEW

Saskatchewan

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Workplace Violence

Jul 25: Saskatchewan and the federal government signed a bilateral agreement aimed at eliminating gender-based violence under which the province will receive \$22.3 million from Ottawa over 4 years to implement the National Action Plan to End Gender-based Violence in Saskatchewan.

Action Point: Implement a [workplace violence and harassment compliance game plan](#) at your site

Workers Comp

Jul 27: Workers may need an attendant to attend a medical appointment for a work-related injury. The attendant can get reimbursement for time lost from work in attending the appointment as long as they get their employer to complete and submit the newly updated [ATL Attendant time loss form](#) to the Saskatchewan WCB.

CASES

Material Handling: Hoisting Fatality Results in \$250,000 Fine

Saskatchewan handed out one of its largest OHS fines of the year, \$250,000, to an energy company that pled guilty to failing to ensure that a sling hoist and its fittings and attachments were suitable for and capable of supporting the hoisted load [*Align Energy Services Ltd*, [Govt. Press Release](#), July 24, 2023].

Action Point: Use the resources on the OHSI Material Handling [Compliance Center](#) to avoid similar tragedies at your workplace