# HOW PSYCHOLOGICAL SAFETY IMPROVES SAFETY PROGRAMS

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## WHAT IS PSYCHOLOGICAL SAFETY

PSYCHOLOGICAL SAFETY IS WHEN PEOPLE FEEL THEY CAN RAISE CONCERNS, SUGGEST IDEAS AND SPEAK UP WITHOUT FEAR OF BEING RIDICULED, DEMEANED OR INSULTED.





#### **ENHANCED INCIDENT PREVENTION**

WHEN WORKERS FEEL PSYCHOLOGICALLY SAFE, THEY'RE MORE LIKELY TO REPORT NEAR-MISSES, UNSAFE CONDITIONS, AND POTENTIAL HAZARDS BEFORE THEY BECOME SERIOUS INCIDENTS, STRENGTHENING OVERALL SITE SAFETY.

### A PSYCHOLOGICALLY SAFE JOB SITE

- PEOPLE ARE LISTENED TO AND NOT INTERRUPTED
- NO-ONE FEELS HARASSED OR MADE FUN OF
- THE ENERGY OF THE JOB SITE IS POSITIVE AND HELPFUL
- SAFETY ISSUES ARE FIXED QUICKLY





## MODELING THE WAY

SITE SUPERVISORS AND MANAGERS MUST ACTIVELY DEMONSTRATE THAT THEY WELCOME FEEDBACK AND CONCERNS BY RESPONDING CONSTRUCTIVELY AND TAKING APPROPRIATE ACTION WHEN ISSUES ARE RAISED.