



Puataunofu is a collaborative project tackling the issue of health and safety in the workplace. The programme was specifically designed with, and to support Pacific workers and their communities since 2007.



The topics covered include Work Safe NZ as our Regulator, Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, rights, responsibilities, obligations, working at heights, PPE and water safety — so they relevant for everyone working in our business, trades contractors and staff members alike.

Puataunofu Come Home Safely

Health & Safety News

Puataunofu — Come Home Safely aims to raise awareness of health and safety issues, to reduce workplace injuries, and to inform the Pacific workforce on health and safety practices and standards.

Puataunofu workshops were designed primarily for companies with large Pacific Island workforces and are being delivered by WorkSafe. The facilitators engage contractors and workers from a cultural perspective and encourage individual participation through discussions and questions .

Spencer Henshaw worked with WorkSafe to tailor the Puataunofu workshops to match our particular business needs and to continue



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to promote strong health and safety messages. Together we have begun to implement our workshops, in conjunction with WorkSafe, to our subbies and staff.

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New Zealand Workplace Health and Safety Awards

Recognition of Puataunofu's work has reached far beyond its Manukau beginnings in 2007. It has received acknowledgement on several occasions at the New Zealand Workplace Health and Safety Awards organised by Safeguard magazine and supported by WorkSafe (previously the Department of Labour).

Spencer Henshaw continuously supports its trades contractors to grow sustainably and that means maintaining people's wellbeing.

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We applaud the Puataunofu Programme and thank the staff at WorkSafe for their enthusiasm and dedication in assisting us to keep our contractors healthy and safe in the workplace.

We will continue to work closely with WorkSafe and deliver Puataunofu workshops to our trades contractors regularly.

Ben Barber
Health & Safety Manager
Spencer Henshaw Limited



Our First Workshop

Our first workshop was a real hit and prompted worthwhile safety discussion about all sorts of life situations – not just work! This proved to us that the programme helps shift people’s attitudes to safety and to why it’s important that all of us go home safely every day, regardless of whether you’ve been at work, or out fishing.



Here’s some of the feedback we received from our Exterior Painters:

“The site safety was very a helpful reminder of how life depends of the conditions at our work place and how to keep others safe as well. If we see someone is not doing things right tell them and put right. We all learnt quite a bit and thank you for your programme.”

“The Puataunofu workshop was very informative and it helped as a reminder how little shortcuts and oversights can have detrimental effects on our work life and personal lives. To summarise my time at the workshop I felt it was a shock and awe moment, a wake-up, call to change my mindset and definitely change how to do and approach what I do in the future for my safety and everyone around me.”