Dear Colleagues,

In 2015, ten OHS goals for the University were established and endorsed by the Vice Chancellor’s Risk and Compliance Committee (VCRCC) with reference to the National Self-Insurer OHS Audit Tool. The National Self-Insurer OHS Audit Tool is the criteria against which the University is regularly, externally audited.

Establishment and review of OHS goals each year enables the University to measure OHS performance, and demonstrate ongoing compliance with the audit tool, a requirement of the University’s self-insurance licence for workers’ compensation. The licence represents significant operational advantages for the University.

The current OHS Goals for the University can be found on the OHS Division website.

Action Requested

As per previous years, all areas across the University are requested to measure their health and safety performance during 2015 against each of the 10 goals. Feedback should be supplied to the OHS Division by 31 March 2016 by completing an electronic survey, which can be accessed via the below link, https://survey.its.uq.edu.au/Checkbox/OHSGoalsPerformanceReview2015.aspx

The most senior manager of each organisational unit is requested to endorse their area’s report prior to it being submitted to the OHS Division. If possible, reports should also be endorsed by the relevant OHS Committee.

A summary of the survey results will be reported to the VC’s Risk and Compliance Committee and then to Faculty and Institute OHS Committees. Individual responses will not be identified in the summary report.

If you require assistance with this task, or clarification of any of the goals, please contact the OHS Division for advice. Contact Narelle McCallum (OHS Adviser) on email n.mccallum@uq.edu.au.

Regards,

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