



# Safety Bulletin

## **Recognition for Use of Proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

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One of the requirements of the M&TE structured safety process is to conduct HES Assessments and share the results with your contractors.

In conjunction with the recent *Safety 1* program, a hard hat sticker recognition program has been developed to facilitate discussion and positive recognition for your contractors. The program is designed to recognize safe PPE habits while encouraging group hazard recognition and mitigation. The sticker themes are based on trends from the HES assessments and incident reports submitted in ALIRTS which show a prevalence of preventable hand and eye injuries, first aids and near misses due to improper PPE use.

Each of you as a Project Leader should obtain from HES a supply of stickers to keep with you when you are in the field. When you observe a contractor employee who has *made the choice* to properly wear correct PPE referenced by the stickers (Gloves, Eye/Face protection or Hard Hat) *be in the moment* with them and thank them for taking *responsibility*. Hand them the sticker and reinforce that they have the *permission* and authority to speak up if they see a problem in the field and get it corrected.



Hard Hat Stickers are a good way to provide positive recognition to your contractors and start that "one on one" conversation with employees doing things right.

**ADDITIONAL STICKERS ARE  
AVAILABLE FROM SAFETY AS  
NEEDED.**

***MAKE THE RECOGNITION PERSONAL!***