

Becoming a Safety Leader-Achiving a Zero Injury Workplace

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Overview

In 1964, John W. Gardner was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom for his work in the private and public sectors. In his book, *On Leadership*, he states that “the first step toward effective leadership is not action, it’s understanding.” That’s what this presentation is all about. This presentation will help you to gain a better understanding of what it takes to be effective leaders as employees, supervisors, and managers within the occupational safety and health arena. To do that, we will explore leadership concepts and principles, and tap into your personal knowledge and experience.

By drawing from personal experience, the presentation will address the following:

- The Nature of Leadership
- How leaders value safety
- Leaders know how to communicate
- Climbing the Leadership Ladder
- How leaders recognize good work
- Leaders understand cause and effect
- Leaders know how to discipline
- How leaders develop trust and credibility
- How leaders develop a supportive culture
- How leaders demonstrate commitment
- Leaders value safety
- How to develop leadership in your culture

In achieve a zero injury workplace; we must have safety leaders who possess, among others, the following essential qualities, which through experience become mastered skills:

- Loyalty
- Courage.
- Desire
- Emotional Stamina
- Physical Stamina.
- Empathy
- Decisiveness
- Anticipation
- Timing
- Competitiveness
- Self-Confidence
- Accountability
- Responsibility

- Credibility
- Tenacity
- Dependability.
- Stewardship.

This presentation will address each of these leadership qualities. When these leadership qualities are learned and taught to the entire workforce only then will we expand our ability to lead our workforce in pursuit of the zero injury workplace.

Presenter: Mike Bahr

Mike Bahr has been a safety professional in the electrical industry for over 30 years. After being injured in an electrical accident in 1985, Mike has dedicated his career to the safety profession. Mike has developed presented safety training worldwide.

Mike has developed a reputation for being one of the best trainers in the electric power industry

Mike is a former principal member of the NFPA 70E committee (Standard for Electrical Safety in the Workplaces). Mike also served as the principal investigator for the development of the Department of Energy (DOE) electrical safety program.