

IMO At Pioneer Balloon



IMO partnered up with Pioneer Balloon in 2004 to build an onsite medical and occupational injury management team. This team evaluates injury risk factors, provides a means for ergonomic consultation, promotes wellness and provides an early intervention medical triage to evaluate reported incidents.

"IMO has been an integral part of our safety program by using its experience to provide checks and balances to our program. In every case, we take the extra steps to insure that we maintain our employee commitment to safety first in everything we do. With IMO's hands-on assistance, we have moved our facility from a last-place position within our company to first place, winning the 2001 Safety Award Trophy."

-Fred Karr, Plant Manager

Situation:

Employees involved in the balloon printing area were reporting neck pains from prolonged sitting, and forearm pain secondary to the mechanism involved in performing job tasks. In evaluating this work area, the IMO on-site care coordinator developed an exercise program to address complaints of the workers. The workers and supervisors were instructed in this program with exercise cards placed throughout the work area. The IMO on-site coordinator continues to monitor this program weekly to evaluate and observe the workers.



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