Social partners’ conference on approaches to the issue of musculoskeletal disorders

Paris, 25 March 2015

HOSPEEM-EPSU project “Assessing health and safety risks in the hospital sector and the role of the social partners in addressing them: the case of musculoskeletal disorders and psycho-social risks and stress at work”

Venue: Hotel Novotel Paris Les Halles - 8, Place Marguerite de Navarre, 75001 Paris

Draft Agenda

Morning session

08.30 – 09.00  Registration

09.00 – 09.15  Welcome and introduction

Opening speech
Yves-Jean DUPUIS, FEHAP Director General

Welcome speech
Tjitte ALKEMA, HOSPEEM Secretary General (Chair)

09.15 – 09.45  The size: Musculoskeletal disorders: what is going on? Facts, figures and data about the nature and size of the problem.

Size and nature of the phenomenon of musculoskeletal disorders
Jean-Michel MILLER, Eurofound

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09.45 – 10.15
The causes: What are biomechanically the causes of musculoskeletal disorders in the healthcare sector? Facts, examples and figures about lifting, static load and heavy maneuvering.

Physical risk factors for musculoskeletal disorders in nursing professions
Sonja FREITAG, German Social Accident Insurance Institution for the Health and Welfare Services

10.15 – 10.45
The solutions: How do we solve the issue?

Musculoskeletal disorders in the nursing profession: how do we solve the problem? What are the cornerstones?
Nico KNIBBE, LOCOmotion Research NL

10.45 – 11.15
Coffee

11.15 – 11.55
Cornerstone 1: Regulations and guidelines. What is the existing regulatory framework at EU and national level? Is the legislation well implemented in the different Member States?

Ergonomics at the Workplace - An EU Baseline Scenario
Antonio CAMMAROTA, DG EMPL, European Commission

Swedish regulatory framework and implementation
Minke WERSÄLL, Swedish Work Environment Authority

11.55 – 12.45
Cornerstone 2: Social partners. How can social partners contribute?

Video presentation of experience from Hospitals of the Mont-Blanc region (France)
Introductory remarks from Cyrille DUCH, FSS-CFDT

Health, Safety and Wellbeing Partnership Group “Back-pack”
Kim SUNLEY, Royal College or Nursing & James TRACEY, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust

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Good Work Environment and Good Performance Go Hand in Hand
Ing-Marie LARSSON & Solveig TORENSJÖ, Karlskoga hospital (Sweden)

12.45 – 14.30

Lunch
A 45 minute interactive roundtable session will take place during lunch break, on a voluntary basis.

Afternoon session

14.30 – 15.15

Cornerstone 3: (Re)building ergonomic hospitals. What should ergonomic hospitals look like?

Cost-Effectiveness of Ergonomic Hospital Design: Methods and strategies to reduce operational costs of hospitals by introducing ergonomic concepts to enable better work conditions and higher work efficiency
Tom GUTHKNECHT, Lausanne Health & Hospitality group

Building ergonomic hospitals. What should ergonomic hospitals look like?
Leena TAMMINEN-PETER, Ergosolutions BC Oy Ab

Assessment of work-related risks: a necessary ergonomic conception
Jean-Pierre ZANA, French National Institute for Research and Safety (INRS)

15.15 – 15.45

Cornerstone 4: Training. How do we train health workers to work safer?

Preventing musculoskeletal disorders and training: FAQs
Diana ROBLA, Galician Health Service

Preventing musculoskeletal disorders: from training to internal preventers: the example of the Institut Robert Merle d’Aubigné
Hélène ANTONINI-CASTERA, Institut Robert Merle d’Aubigné
15.45 – 16.30  

**Plenary discussion & Closing remarks**

*Moderator: Nico KNIBBE*

Preliminary statements:

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*Simultaneous interpretation will be provided from and into English, French and Spanish.*