

New Prevention Council Member Appointed

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The Ministry of Labour is pleased to announce that Dawn Tattle has been appointed as an employer member to the Prevention Council. The 11-member council provides advice to the Ontario government on health and safety issues as they affect workers.

Tattle, President of Anchor Shoring & Caissons since 1997, is a civil engineer and has been named one of Canada's "100 Most Powerful Women" both in 2008 and 2010.

Prior to her appointment to the Prevention Council, Tattle provided invaluable input and feedback to the Ministry of Labour as a contributing employer member of the Vulnerable Workers Task Group, an advisory body focussed on providing insight and advice on the unique health and safety needs of vulnerable workers in Ontario.

THE PREVENTION COUNCIL

The Prevention Council was created in 2012 to advise the Minister of Labour and the Chief Prevention Officer on a wide range of occupational health and safety issues, including:

- prevention of workplace injuries and illnesses
- development of the provincial occupational health and safety strategy, and
- any significant proposed changes to funding and delivery of services under the [Occupational Health and Safety Act](#).

Prevention Council membership reflects representation from a broad range of organizations and interests.

Protecting workers on the job is part of the government's continued commitment to preventing workplace injuries and fatalities under the [Occupational Health and Safety Act](#) and its regulations, and through its [Safe at Work Ontario](#) strategy.

QUOTES

"We are fortunate to have someone of Dawn Tattle's calibre serving as a member of the Prevention Council. She brings a wealth of experience with her, including an intimate knowledge of the challenges facing vulnerable workers acquired as a member of our Vulnerable Workers Task Group. I look forward to working with her and the rest of the Prevention Council members to improve the health and safety of all workers in Ontario."

— George Gritziotis, Chief Prevention Officer

QUICK FACTS

- In April 2012, the prevention mandate for occupational health and safety was transferred to the Ontario Ministry of Labour from the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board.
- The Prevention Council was formed in December 2012.

- A poster explaining workplace parties' basic rights and responsibilities under the OHS Act is now available in 19 languages. Display of the poster at worksites became mandatory on October 1, 2012.
- Training resources titled "Worker Health and Safety Awareness in 4 Steps" and "Supervisor Health and Safety Awareness in 5 Steps" and their associated employer training guides are available now.

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