

# Behavior Based Safety BPS 2323

# A Map to Accident Rate Reduction

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### **Chapter Description**

At the end of this chapter, student should be able to explain the basic steps that requires to set up the accidents reduction program in the organization

#### **Expected Outcomes**

Students able to explain:

- the related theory
- the importance of the mission statements
- two different approaches which are Person Based Approach and Behavior Based Approach

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#### Introduction

- A theory plays as a basic of company's value that translate into procedures, policies and performance.
- ☐ Employees need to be educated about the theory that adopted in the organization, so that they are feel belonging.
- ☐ Two different approaches (PBA and BBA) are need considered in order to set up risk reduction program at the workplace.



### Theory

Theory – as map to the destination

Summarize theory in term of safety mission statement

Action plan to bring the theory to life



Teach theory to everyone who related



Ensure that all related personnel accepted the safety mission



Get everybody involve in designing and implementing action plans

## Theory: Safety Culture Model

#### Person

Knowledge Skill Abilities Intelligence Motives

Personality

Paying attention to **ONLY** one factor is like using a incomplete map to find the destination

Safety Culture

#### **Behavior**

Complying Communicating Coaching Recognizing

Demonstrating "Actively Caring"

#### **Environment**

Equipment
Operating Procedures
Standards
Heat/Cold
Engineering
Machines
Tools
Housekeeping

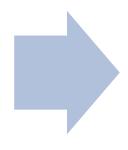
✓ Each factors are dynamic and interactive.

Source: Geller 2001. p 19



### Theory and then, what?

Choose the relevant theory



Develop the appropriate mission statement



### Example of Mission Statement

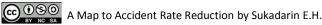
Source: Geller 2001. p 16





- Promote a work environment based on employee involvement, ownership, team work, education, training and leadership
- ☐ Build self-esteem, empowerment, pride, enthusiasm, optimism and encourages innovation
- ☐ Reinforces the need for employees to actively care about their fellow coworkers
- ☐ Promotes the philosophy that safety is not a priority that can be reordered, but is a value associated with every priority.
- ☐ Recognizes group and individual achievement

The mission statement – as a map to safety that will be translated to the action plan



### **Action Plan**

Yearly planning Every 6 months planning Every 3 months planning Every month planning Every week planning Daily planning

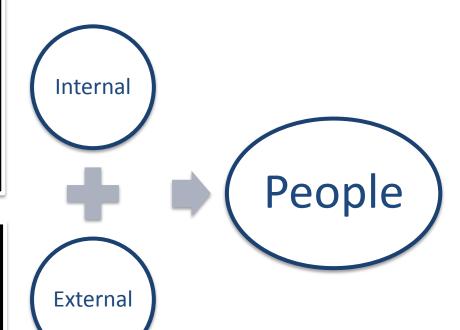
# Behavior-based vs Person Based Approaches

Person Based

State or Traits **Attitude** Believe **Feelings** Thoughts Personalities Perceptions Values Intentions

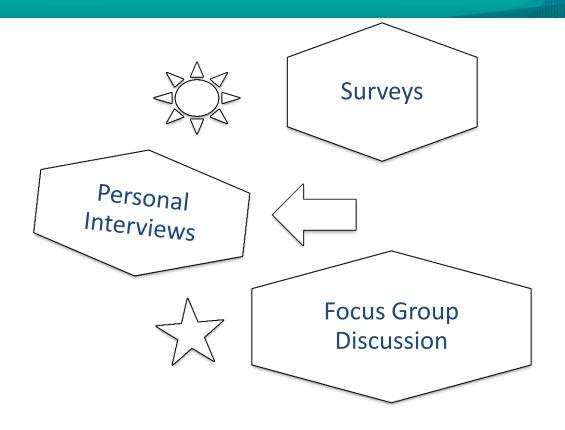
**Behavior** Based

**Behavior** Coaching Recognizing Complying Communicating **Actively Caring** 





# Person-Based Approach (PBA)



#### Aim:

To investigate how individuals feel about certain situations, conditions, behaviors or personal interactions



### Behavior-Based Approach (BBA)

Identifying observable behavior targeted

Change the environmental condition

Influence the target behavior (s) in desired directions

#### Basic idea:

Behavior can be objectively studied and changed.

HOW?



identify and manipulate environmental conditions that immediately lead to a target behavior

Source : Geller (2001)



# Person Based Approach (PBA)

PBA used – when lecturing, counseling or educating others in one to one or group discussion

PBA need intensive training due to tapping into and individual's perceptions, attitude and thinking process which are very complex

## Behavior Based Approach

BBA used – when recognizing, correcting or disciplining others for what they have done

BBA minimal professional training required because it is straight forward.

BBA - easy to administer

Intervention progress can be readily monitored by the ongoing observation of target behaviors.

### Conclusion

Theory is the basic principle that need to be chosen correctly in order to set safety target

Statement mission and action plan towards accident reduction program have to be communicated at all levels

Complexity of people (internal and external) have to be considered in the program







