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CM&VM (Edinburgh bioQuarter Campus) H&S web site: <https://www.ed.ac.uk/medicine-vet-medicine/staff-and-current-students/cmvm-health-and-safety/edinburgh-bioquarter>

University of Edinburgh H&S web site: <http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/health-safety>

**New Year's Resolutions
for "Workplace Health & Safety"**

- Look Back on the Past
- Ask questions
- Nearmisses are an Opportunities
- Follow rules and regulations.
- Be a Role Model
- Get Employees Involved & Motivated
- Make safety training a priority.
- Emphasize the correct use of safety equipment.

SAFETY

The infographic features a woman in a high-visibility vest holding a 'New Year 2021' sign, a cartoon character holding a sign, and various icons like a checkmark, question mark, and information symbol.

Yes, I know that's not how "Opportunities" should be spelled.

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Health & Safety Training: Those wishing to participate in any one or more of the H&S training courses listed below (All of which continue to be delivered as on-line training using the medium of *MS Teams*) **MUST** provide **ALL** of the following information in the body of an email to Lindsay.Murray@ed.ac.uk:

- **Your Name** (as you wish it to appear on a hard-copy certificate of attendance, which will be issued sometime after the event);
- **Which Department/Centre/Building** you usually work within (So that your certificate can be posted out to you. So don't just write "IRR" – It's a big building, and I need to know which Research Centre you are based within, otherwise there's precious little chance of a certificate ever reaching you);
- **Which course(s)** you wish to attend (Be specific); and
- **An email address** that can be cut and pasted into a spreadsheet that will be used to generate an invitation containing a link which participants should use to join each event, and to which any supporting paperwork will also be sent.

Please Note: Failure to send ALL of the necessary information, AND IN THE ABOVE FORMAT, is likely to result in delays before final details can be confirmed.

Bookings for each course will close a few days before the event, in order to manage the invitation process, so it is recommended that you make an early bid to participate in training (I hesitate to suggest that this should be done also to avoid disappointment).

Hard-copy certificates of completion may, therefore, take some time to reach you, but they *WILL* be sent out in due course.

All courses are repeated regularly throughout the year; so, if you cannot attend one of those listed below, there will be further opportunities, and these will be advertised through the medium of future Safety Bulletins.

New Dates for Health & Safety Induction Training: Please note that there will be an in-person combined Induction and Late & Lone Working session on Thursday 18th January, 2024 in the Wellcome Auditorium, QMRI from 10:00-12:00, with a comfort break between the two parts. There will be no need to book for those sessions – Just pitch up and sign-in. certificates will be issued as usual to those who attend.

Otherwise, the next on-line health and safety-related induction training events will be offered at the following time:

- Wednesday 24th January, 2024 at 14:00 (for one hour).

This course, which is MANDATORY for all new and recently starting workers, will be suitable for people working in laboratories, offices and support services environments, and includes aspects of fire safety awareness.

Certificates of attendance will be issued for personal and departmental training records.

To register, see above (Health & Safety Training).

Late & Lone Working Training: Please note that there will be an in-person combined Induction and Late & Lone Working session on Thursday 18th January, 2024 in the Wellcome Auditorium, QMRI from 10:00-12:00, with a comfort break between the two parts. There will be no need to book for those sessions – Just pitch up and sign-in. certificates will be issued as usual to those who attend.

Otherwise, the next on-line late and lone-working safety training event will be offered at the following time:

- Friday 26th January, 2024 at 10:00 (for one hour).

Please note that attendance on this training course is MANDATORY for all those proposing to work outside hours of expected buildings occupancy (*i.e.* any time after 18:00 or before 07:00 Monday to Friday, or anytime at all during a weekend or University holiday) and anyone who is expected to work apart from others for periods of time.

Certificates of attendance will be issued for personal and departmental training records.

To register, see above (Health & Safety Training).

New Dates for Liquid Nitrogen: The next round of training will be delivered at the following times:

Liquid Nitrogen Safety (Part 1):

- Wednesday 10th January, 2024 at 10:00 (for approximately two and a half hours, to include a short comfort break).

Compressed and Laboratory Gases Safety:

- Monday 15th January, 2024 at 10:00 (for approximately two and a half hours, to include a short comfort break).

Certificates of attendance will be issued for your personal and departmental training records.

Please note that attendance on these training courses is MANDATORY for anyone proposing to (1) work in a liquid nitrogen plant room or handling cryogenic liquids, and/or (2) connect regulators to gas supplies or moving and handling compressed gas cylinders, *etc.*

To register, see above (Health & Safety Training).

H&S Training for Principal Investigator and Supervisors: It is possible to undertake this training programme on-line by selecting the appropriate link within <https://www.ed.ac.uk/health-safety/training/portfolio/role-specific>. Alternatively, many people in the past have expressed a preference for more personalised training at which time questions can be asked, and answers hopefully provided. This latter option (a one hour-long event) may be requested at a time of your greatest convenience by emailing Lindsay.Murray@ed.ac.uk

Accident and Incident Reporting In addition to the link at <https://www.ed.ac.uk/health-safety/accident-reporting>, access to the Accident and Incident Reporting system can be achieved using the following QR code, which you might wish to save on your mobile device(s):



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Theme Tune: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvLV3OZAcyg>

