OHS Case ID: 03920KWLS091
Field Visit no: 03920KWQG120
Visit Date: 2016-DEC-22
Field Visit Type: INITIAL
Workplace Identification: McMaster University
1280 MAIN STREET WEST, HAMILTON, ON, CANADA L8S 4K1
Telephone: (905) 525-9140
JHSC Status: Active
Work Force #: 8000
Completed %:

Persons Contacted: Dane Deman - OHS Advisor
Visit Purpose: Enforcement of the Occupational Health and Safety Act and the Regulations
Visit Location: Campus Services (Facilities - Physical Plant)
Visit Summary: No Orders Issued

Detailed Narrative:
This Inspector accompanied by Joe O’Grady Ministry of Labour RPC attended the workplace and contacted Dane Deman - OHS Advisor, Alicia Westfall - OHS Specialist and Jeff Gauthier - Worker Certified Member.

A complaint was made as follows:
"It was reported that the custodians (cleaners):
- do not always have the required PPE available
- that required training, such as WHMIS training, has not been completed for all staff and is not documented
- that the employer does not follow up on outstanding health and safety issues
- that the employer does not follow up on health and safety issues reported by workers using the reporting forms
- that the electrical outlets are not maintained properly"

The Inspector checked the cabinets that contained the Personal Protective Equipment. There were supplies of gloves, hearing protection, glasses, goggles, aprons, respirators, and sunscreen.

It was confirmed by the Worker Certified member and the employer that WHMIS training has been conducted including updates.

Joint Health and Safety Committee minutes were reviewed for the past three months and incidents and safety concerns are raised, discussed and addressed.

Outlets throughout the building were inspected and the inspector did not find any outlets that were not being maintained.

GFCI outlets were being used in locations near water.

Workers were spoken to and did not have any concerns or issues with the outlets.

Recipent

Name Dane Deman
Title Health & Safety Specialist

Inspector Data

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Worker Representative

Name Jeff Gauthier
Title H+S Rep

Signature

Signature

Signature

You are required under the Occupational Health and Safety Act to post a copy of this report in a conspicuous place at the workplace and provide a copy to the health and safety representative or the joint health and safety committee if any. Failure to comply with an order, decision or requirement of an Inspector is an offence under Section 66 of the Occupational Health and Safety Act. You have the right to appeal any order or decision within 30 days of the date of the order issued and to request suspension of the order or decision by filing your appeal and request in writing on the appropriate forms with the Ontario Labour Relations Board, 505 University Ave., 2nd Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M5G 2P1. You may also contact the Board by phone at (416) 596-7500 or 1-877-359-3335 (toll free), mail or by web at https://www.olrb.gov.on.ca/english/homepage.htm for more information.
The Worker Certified Member had no outstanding concerns.

No Orders Issued