

# Worker Care Spectrum Ability Management: Job Analysis

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# **OBJECTIVES**



• Understand the Role and Importance of Assessment in Ability

Management

# **CONTENTS**



- Job description
- Job analysis



# **GROUP ACTIVITY-Pre Test**

Imagine you are tasked with designing a comprehensive employee wellness program for a newly established company

1. How will you conduct job description, job analysis, task analysis & ergonomic evaluation?

2. How would you plan injury prevention & employee fitness program?

# Defining Worker Care Spectrum Ability Management



- What is it? Comprehensive approach
- For what? Supporting employees' well-being & optimizing their abilities within workplace
- What does it consists of? Practices, policies & initiatives

# Aim Worker Care Spectrum Ability Management



Prevention (OHH)

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Promotion (physical, mental, emotional & professional health)

# Worker Care Spectrum Ability Management: Components



Assessment

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**Prevention & Promotion** 





### **Job Description**

- Written or verbal description of function of job done
- Principal purpose of classifying the job in terms of wages, hiring, promotion, general responsibilities
- Lacks standardization
- Varies from job to job
- Usually it is taken from employer

# Worker Care Spectrum Ability Management: Assessment



### **Job Description**

- Title of job
- Department
- Job location
- Person reviewed
- Reviewed by
- Date of review
- Pay scale: non-exempt/ exempt





# **Job Description**

- Duties: Essential tasks and Non Essential tasks (not essential to the specific job or those shared by many different employees)
- Job requirements:
  - Qualification:
  - Demands of job:
- Working conditions:
  - Time of work
  - Rest period
  - Overtime duties/Shift hour
  - Number of employee
  - Tools handled





Definition

- What is it? Systematic process
- Of what? Examining & documenting various aspects of a job
- Where? within an industrial setting
- For What? To understand its requirements, tasks, hazards, and environmental factors that may affect the health and safety of workers





Application/Benefits

- 1. Worker And Job Match
- 2. Rehabilitation Need
- 3. Job Modification
- 4. Training And Injury Prevention Program
- 5. Tool Design & Redesign





#### Types of evaluation

- Measured/observed w.r.t. time frame: short period of time(min-hrs) or long period of time(days-years)
- Qualitative: Interviews, observation, questionnaire, focus group, job diaries or log
- Quantitative: Technology assisted (camera based/sensor based)





Subsets

- Job demand analysis
- Task analysis
- Ergonomic evaluation





Subsets-Job Demand Analysis

- What is it?: Objective & systematic procedure to identify demands of a particular job (essential & non-essential)
- Demands of job may be classified into
  - Cognitive
  - Physical
  - Sensory
  - Motor
  - Balance & Coordination
  - Cardio respiratory
  - Environmental condition





Subsets-Task analysis

- More detail evaluation of individual components of job which are considered to be essential, frequent or potentially at risk in terms of frequency, force & duration
- JDA: Lifting causative factors for low back pain
- TA: X pounds of weight, lifting X number of time, height lifted, distance carried





Subsets: Ergonomic Evaluation

- Ergon= Work, Nomos= Laws of work
- It is a mathematical analysis of any aspect of a job that is identified during JDA & TA
- To use that information in designing jobs, products, workplaces & equipment





**Ergonomic Evaluation Subsets** 

- 1. Work station/ work place design evaluation
- 2. Tool evaluation
- 3. Environmental evaluation





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#### **Ergonomic Evaluation Subsets**

Work station/ work place layout

- Should be appropriately matched to tool, environment & task of job
- 3 types of reach zone to be considered while planning the reach zones:
  - Primary Reach Zone:
  - Secondary Reach Zone:
  - Tertiary Reach Zone:





#### Ergonomic Evaluation Subsets

Work station/ work place layout

- 1. Primary Reach Zone:
  - Area of reach from with elbows beside the body
  - Frequently accessed items
- 2. Secondary Reach Zone:
  - Reach distance from shoulder with arms stretched out
  - Occasionally accessed
- 3. Tertiary Reach Zone:
  - Reach distance when torso is flexed from waist and the arms are stretched out
  - Infrequently accessed items

## Work place Physical Dimensions

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- 1. Clearance under the work surface
- 2. Work surface height
- 3. Width & depth of work surface
- 4. Types of work surface

#### Clearance under the workplace



#### Height clearance for thigh

- Thigh height + popliteal height
  - Thigh clearance : sitting surface to highest point on the top of right thigh
  - Popliteal height: foot support surface to the back of right thigh



#### Height clearance for knee

❖ Knee height: Foot support level to the top of knee cap while seated with leg at 90 degree

#### Depth clearance for knee

- ❖ Buttock to knee length abdominal extension depth
  - ❖ Buttock to knee length: back of the buttock to front of the knee right knee
  - ❖ Abdominal extension depth: front of abdomen to back at the

#### Clearance under the workplace



#### Width clearance of thigh

Hip breadth: lateral point of thigh or pelvis (highest point)

#### Height clearance for foot

❖ Foot height: standing surface to right lateral malleoli

#### Depth clearance for foot

- Buttock to popliteal length+ foot length-abdominal extension depth
  - ❖ Buttock to popliteal length= back of the buttock to back of the right

#### Work surface height



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#### Work surface width & depth



Depends on the width & depth of tool used

Summation of tools kept in primary & secondary zones

#### Type of work surface



- Adjust independently & that move relative to each other are ideally preferred
- If multiple surfaces are used = should not interfere with seating arrangement
- Edges & corners should be rounded & have non reflective surface

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#### **STANDING**

- Standing work operators often work in an area around a machine instead of at a given workplace.
- Factors to be considered in the evaluation of seated workplace is
- 1. Work station/ work place layout/ or placement (refer sitting)
- 2. Physical dimension.