

Governance & Board Support

Workplace safety is important for all organisations, but many Boards and their governance committees struggle to understand the real level of safety performance, and sometimes adopt ineffective strategies, and even worse increase the risk to themselves, the Board and organisation.

Why is Governance & Board Support so important?

Traditionally workplace safety for Boards was driven by personal experience and opinions. Today the legislated requirements for health and safety (and environment) have outstripped the usefulness of personal opinions. Compliance is a provable fact, not an opinion.

Some board members have misinterpreted the requirement for “proactive due diligence” to mean they should get closely involved in operational issues and some have even dangerously given technical or operational directions. This behaviour is inefficient and has contributed to successful workplace safety prosecutions of directors and organisations.

Why Use Safety Action?

Safety Action can help Boards and Governance Committees to:

- Identify the most appropriate measures to monitor workplace safety performance
- Take control of safety vision and strategy
- Guide consistent credible Board reporting
- Minimise surprises and workplace safety failures
- Protect directors and the organisation

Services available

- Presentation to Board or Committees on effective workplace safety management
- Board OHS reporting
- Coaching on workplace safety role for directors e.g. during site visits
- Effective governance committee practices

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