

# Voluntary Protection Program

VPP: The *Standard of Excellence* in Workplace Safety and Health



Learn how the Voluntary Protection Program recognizes occupational safety and health excellence and leads to a safer workplace, lower costs, community recognition and improved morale.

## Everyone benefits when a company achieves VPP status:

- Employers lower their costs.
- Employees come home safely after work.
- Labor and management work together cooperatively.
- Industries have a “best practices” model.
- Communities recognize leadership in safety and health.

## And there's more. Being a VPP work site:

- Lets you establish a positive working relationship with L&I's Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH).
- Helps you avoid surprise workplace inspections.
- Gives you access to L&I's extensive safety and health resources.
- Creates confidence that you are in compliance with safety and health regulations.
- Lets you display the nationally recognized VPP flag at your work site.

## For more information:

- Visit the VPP website at [www.Lni.wa.gov/Safety/Topics/AtoZ/VPP](http://www.Lni.wa.gov/Safety/Topics/AtoZ/VPP)

Or

- Contact the Voluntary Protection Program  
**Phone:** 360-902-5431      **Mailbox:** VPPProgram@Lni.wa.gov

## What VPP companies say about the program

“Our motto ‘No One Gets Hurt On My Shift Today’ and our VPP partnership encourages continuous improvement and employee ownership in our efforts to achieve an injury-free workplace. The VPP STAR flag flying at the entrance to our facility is a way to show others our culture, expectations, and commitment to the safety of anyone entering our facility.

*Tricia Sweat,  
Employee Safety Program Coordinator  
Nucor Steel  
Seattle, Washington*

“It is an honor to be recognized as a VPP STAR work site. The result of our participation in the Voluntary Protection Program is a safety process that is continuously improving and a safer workplace for our employees.”

*Bill Rippon,  
Safety/Environmental Manager  
Georgia-Pacific Gypsum LLC  
Tacoma, Washington*

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The Department of Labor & Industries, Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH), administers VPP in Washington State.