Greetings! EH&S launched the Lab Safety Initiative in July 2016 with a pilot group of about 90 labs, encompassing 33 scientific departments. The first round of surveys was completed in October 2016 and the second round of Pilot Group surveys was conducted this summer. We have seen great improvements in the pilot group’s Lab Safety Ratings and we continue to develop strategies to address their specific barriers to safety. EH&S is conducting regular laboratory safety surveys of all UW labs concurrently.

Announcements

- **Sign up now** for the [Lab Safety and Compliance class](#) being held on September 19. This class is required for all PIs, Lab Managers, and Lab Supervisors.
- Incoming graduate students should **register** to attend the [Laboratory Safety Seminar](#) being held on September 26 at the HUB.
- The [Lab Safety Award](#) program has been launched! If you recently received a lab safety rating of 85 or higher, update your [Caution Sign](#) to display your award.

Review your **LAB SAFETY TRAININGS and DOCUMENTS:**

- Use our [Lab Safety Training Matrix](#) to determine necessary trainings for all lab personnel. Trainings on [Globally Harmonized System (HazCom)](#) and [Managing Lab Chemicals](#) are required for everyone working in labs with chemicals.
- Ensure your lab has [Lab-specific training](#) completed and documented for all personnel.
- Depending on your chemical inventory, [Formaldehyde](#) and [Hydrofluoric Acid](#) trainings may also be required for your personnel.
- Update and print out your [lab floorplan](#); a [multi-room floorplan](#) template is also available.
- Review and update your [PPE Hazard Assessment](#). Have all personnel review and sign it.
- Review the [Responsibilities](#) section of the Laboratory Safety Manual and use it to complete your necessary [laboratory-specific documents](#). Do you know who your [Chemical Hygiene Officer](#) is?
- Review the new [UW Safety Responsibility Matrix](#).

Popular Resources

- [Laboratory Safety Surveys Response Dashboard](#): Access and review your latest Laboratory Safety Survey; respond to and document correction of deficiencies.
- Attend one of the monthly [Fisher Friday](#) product shows to learn about PPE products available at UW-discount prices and tell them if you have specialized PPE needs.
- Schedule a [Chemical Collection](#) to get rid of unwanted chemicals in your lab. Collection is free as long as you can identify the chemical!