

ENVIRONMENTAL SCANS

INSTRUCTIONS

Arrange to have this huddle in a space where you can project the environmental scan image for everyone to see. If this is not possible, print a copy of the image to pass around so each staff member has an opportunity to examine it.

Using the guiding questions, facilitate a discussion about workplace hazards and the importance of doing a point of care assessment, including an environmental scan, before starting a new task.

Image available at: www.safecarebc.ca/safetyhuddles

AFTER THIS HUDDLE

Staff should be able to:

- Assess an environment for hazards before providing care.

NOTES TO THE HUDDLE LEADER

- Dealing with hazards should include preventative measures, not just reactive ones.



GUIDING QUESTIONS

- What hazards can you see in this image?
- How can the hazards be minimized or eliminated?
- If you were this care aide, how would you approach this situation?