

**EXECUTIVE REPORT – APRIL ATKINS, OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND  
SAFETY COORDINATOR**

July 8, 2020

- On February 5, 2020, the process started to replace Cam Kirkpatrick from the Occupational Safety & Health (OHS) Coordinator position. On June 15, 2020, Patrycja Fatla started this position as the successful incumbent.
- Extensive safety measures to deal with COVID-19 were supported by JOSH to protect those at the college in:
  - Reducing the maximum size of each public course
  - Restructuring group learning activities to allow physical distancing
  - Eliminating the need for the use of shared class materials
  - Checking for pre-entry wellness confirmation from all participants
  - Ensuring host facilities have appropriate no/low touch protocols in place (entrance/exits, washrooms, coffee)
  - Supplying readily available hand sanitizer and other hygiene precautions
- Participated with the Plumbing and Refrigeration site visit for new class 2020S start.
- Risk Assessments conducted in Massage Therapy and Camosun Innovates to participate in a physical walk-through risk assessment to help identify potential areas of increased risk and priority action alongside an assessment team.
- Available to do Incident Investigations when requested.
- Safety Inspections of the Camosun buildings will be preformed this summer. If you have any concerns regarding your workplace environment, please connect with me.
- Reviewed amendments to the Terms of Reference with the JOSH sub-committee for a 2020-detailed updated report.
- Supported members in graduated return to work through the Joint Early Intervention Program (JEIP) Committee. Gradual transitions to regular positions most effective.
- Available to participate with a Safe Start reopening plan.
- I feel there is a strong connection between the JOSH and JEIP Committees for the value of health and safety for our members.
- It is important for union members to know that supports are in place and as long as we continue to communicate effectively with each other, we can address areas of concern. Happy to help, please reach out to me when needed.

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