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Employers to be Surveyed by Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board

The Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board (YWCHSB) has contracted the Bureau of Statistics to conduct a survey of employers. Every employer registered with the Board in 2001 will be called by the Bureau and asked if he or she would like to participate in the survey.

The Bureau of Statistics will be making its first calls to employers on May 24. Interviews will continue through the month of June.

The main purpose of the survey is to give the YWCHSB the information it needs to improve service. "We want to hear from employers how to improve our services," said Tony Armstrong, president and CEO of the YWCHSB. "Employers access a variety of our services from safety audits and training, to financial services, to working with our rehabilitation counsellors returning injured employees to work."

The survey is being conducted by the Bureau of Statistics so employers can feel free to comment on all aspects of their dealings with the board.

"The board has asked us to do all of the interviewing and compiling of results so that employers can be certain that their responses will be treated confidentiality," said Sally Stitt, project supervisor at the Bureau of Statistics. "Individual employers will not be identifiable to the board."

Besides improving service levels, the results will also provide the YWCHSB with information on general awareness levels, safety attitudes and prevention activities at workplaces.

The employer survey is the third phase in the YWCHSB's stakeholder survey project. Injured workers were surveyed in

February/March and board staff were surveyed in March/April. The results of the injured worker and employer surveys will be published and publicly released this fall.

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