Beware: OSHA Keeping Tabs on Temp Worker Hiring

Stephen Dwyer, general counsel for the American Staffing Association, had a blunt warning for staffing companies and employers hiring temporary workers: “OSHA is on the lookout. You are going to be much more susceptible in terms of your contracts with staffing agencies and training for temporary workers,” when he spoke to the Safety Leadership Conference recently.

Dwyer told the conference that OSHA will be examining the contracts between companies that hire contract workers and the staffing companies that supply them, the hazard assessments that are conducted for workplaces staffed with temporary workers and the general safety and site-specific training provided to temporary workers, reports *EHS Today*.

Ed Foulke, a partner in Fisher & Phillips, also addressed the conference. He told of one of his clients who drew OSHA scrutiny of safety for temporary workers after a temp was killed on the job two hours into his shift on the first day of work.

Read the story.