

Speaker Fact Sheet

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TOPIC: Navigating Changes in Fall Protection Regulations and Standards

SPEAKER: Mr. Thom Kramer

THREE LEARNING OBJECTIVES: (at least)

1. Identify key references to OSHA regulations and ANSI standards
2. Determine next steps to better protect workers at height
3. State upcoming changes to ANSI standards that may affect equipment purchases

DESCRIPTION OF PRESENTATION: (min, 2-3 sentences)

Recent and forthcoming changes to OSHA regulations and the ANSI Z359 fall protection standards encourage a new view of an organization's fall protection program. Adhering to the guidance provided in these documents can affect everything from overall policy to equipment purchases to training. This session addresses how to implement guidance in the standards and regulations in a way that will reverse the negative trends of incidents and violations and reduce your overall risk.

SPEAKER TITLE AND EMPLOYER: (as you wish it to be displayed)

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SPEAKER BIO: (paragraph)

Mr. Kramer is a safety consultant and structural engineer with 25 years of experience. As a dually registered professional engineer and certified safety professional, he has spent much of his career consulting with clients to reduce risk for workers at heights. He specializes in the assessment and design of fall protection systems, as well as fall protection program development. Mr. Kramer is Chair of the ANSI Z359 Committee and chairs ANSI Z359.1. He also serves as an At-Large Director for ASSP and the president of the International Society for Fall Protection. He is widely considered as a thought leader in the fall protection industry, having given more than 200 technical sessions and workshops on the topic in the U.S. and around the world.

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