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	Training Occupational Health and Scientific Research Group B Surveillance	
Assignment	Participative screening B 3.2 ass (Group work)	

Learning objectives:

- To be able to perform a participative detection of health risks in the working environment.

Instructional Method: Working in groups (3 different groups)

Suggested time : 20 minutes

Description of the assignment :

You will be working with 6 or 7 colleagues for this assignment. One takes the role of an external health and safety specialist. All the others are workers.

The work you do is this course, from Monday until now. You stay in a classroom and follow the course. In between lessons you make use of the facilities of the hotel. While doing so you may be exposed to physical or mental health risks.

In a participative identification of health risk, the information has to come from the workers.

The external HS specialist is only an organizer- coordinator and reporter. His task is to organize the discussion, to make sure that all possible risks are covered and to give all workers equal opportunity to give their opinion. He also has to make a report with the main risks according to the view of the group.

The workers have to evaluate if they are exposed to health risks.

“Do you think you are exposed to ... and do you think this can harm your health? Can you be more specific. Explain a little bit”

- *Chemical risks: indoor air quality, dust and fume, use of chemicals.*
- *Physical risks: noise, vibration, heat, cold, draught, light, ionizing and non-ionizing radiation.*
- *Biological risks: biological contamination of air, water, soil, waste, body fluids.*
- *Ergonomic risks: sitting, standing, walking, lifting, pulling and pushing, repetitive tasks, inactivity.*
- *Psychosocial risks: stressors, workload, time pressure, organization, relationships, emotional strain.*

When all the risks are discussed the group has to decide on priorities. The group has to decide (if possible in agreement) what the 3 main health risks are and what could be done to minimize these risks.

The coordinator will present the conclusions (priorities and proposals) orally to the other 2 groups.