

Health and Safety Representative Training

The PSA is running the SafeWork NSW-approved Health and Safety Representative (HSR) training course in November.

The course runs for five days and will be held at PSA House. It is available for elected HSRs. The cost of the course is \$800 and must be paid by your employer. To register for the course you must fill out the registration form (HERE) and have it approved by your manager. Please return the completed form either by email to training@psa.asn.au or by fax to 9262 1623.

Dates: Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th, Thursday 15th and Monday 26th, Tuesday 27th November 2018.

The course will run 9am-5pm each day.

Cost: \$800 (payable by your agency).

Course prerequisite: to be eligible to attend this course you must be an elected HSR and not already undertaken the five-day training.

What is a HSR?

Under the Work Health and Safety Act 2011, Health and Safety Representatives are elected by workers in their work group to represent and support workers around work, health and safety issues in their work group.

HSRs monitor the health and safety actions taken by the person conducting a business or undertaking (employer), investigate workers' complaints and look into anything that might be a risk to the health and safety of the workers they represent.

If a HSR has completed approved HSR training, they can also direct unsafe work to stop when they have a reasonable concern that carrying out the work would expose a worker to a serious risk.

HSRs can also issue a <u>Provisional Improvement</u> <u>Notice</u> (PIN) when they reasonably believe there is a contravention of the Work Health and Safety Act 2011.

Under section 72 of the Work Health and Safety Act 2011, HSR training must be provided on request by the HSR. The PCBU must give HSRs time off to attend a course that is SafeWork approved. The elected HSR has the right to choose the approved training course.





