

## **Introduction to the Utilization of RESAP Self Assessment Guides**

RESAP self assessment guides are meant to provide a means for safety improvement teams to begin the process of candidly assessing various components of their safety systems for effectiveness.

These guides can be used by senior staffs, safety improvement teams, safety committees, etc., to evaluate their current state of performance against attributes of strong performance in a given area. This evaluation also helps identify both strengths and opportunities for improvement that can guide priorities within the context of a safety improvement plan.

These guides can also be used as simple survey instruments to obtain honest feedback from employees. This feedback can be obtained from safety meetings, specific departments or individual employees, or from a random sample of employees, to roll up their views of strong or weak practices in each area. When used in this manner, the surveys should be conducted in a confidential way to ensure the feedback is meaningful.

These self assessment guides are not meant to be all encompassing, but rather general guides for assessing the effectiveness of various components of a co-ops safety system. Teams may want to modify or adjust these guides as necessary to address their unique situations and/or conditions to better fit their specific needs.

The possible topics covered by these self assessment guides are limitless and will be expanded over time as necessary.

These assessment guides are not etched in stone but are meant to be flexible, dynamic documents that can be updated and improved over time on a continuing basis with input from the various stakeholders of the RESAP process.