



# Safety Professional

## PEER GROUP



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## Join Our Safety Professional Peer Group

TAKE THE NEXT STEP OF YOUR SAFETY JOURNEY WITH US.

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**The ABC of Metro Washington Safety Professional Peer Group (SPPG) is designed to cultivate leaders who openly share experiences, challenges, and successful safety outcomes with their peers. It is a semi-structured format to create a safe place to talk about safety. A place where no questions are off limits so you can speak freely knowing that others have been where you are and ultimately leads to improved safety performance for all peer group members.**

As a person tasked with safety responsibilities, you give your all every moment of the work day to make sure your coworkers go home every day, safe and sound. This SPPG is a place for you to come and be recharged every month so you can stay sharp, informed, and motivated to continue your fight against complacency.

Questions about compliance lead to conversations about going beyond. You can discuss your fears and explore the trickiest topics of safety, free from pressure and judgement. Your voice matters, you may ask a question that others were too afraid to ask and the conversation that follows makes all of us stronger. Or you may be fresh from the battle with a victory story to inspire others. Invest your time to save you more time. Share your insight to gain more insight.

### EVENT:

ABC OF METRO WASHINGTON SAFETY PROFESSIONAL PEER GROUP

### DATE:

2020: 3rd Thursday of the Month

Check [www.abcmetrowashington.org/Calendar](http://www.abcmetrowashington.org/Calendar) for updates

### TIME:

10:00 AM TO 11:30 AM

### LOCATION:

ABC of Metro Washington

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# FAQ

## **Q: What does this cost?**

A: As a member of ABC of Metro Washington, this is a member benefit, so we encourage your monthly participation free of charge. If you are an invited guest of an ABC of Metro Washington member and RSVP in advance, the first one is free. Please be kind enough to follow up with Claire Callas so you can join us in time for the next meeting.

## **Q: What is the format?**

A: It is a 90-minute forum with 15 to 30 members. There is a 20 to 30-minute main topic based on one of the 20 key components for STEP designed to generate interactive discussion. Then there is a 20-minute break to discuss the topic in smaller conversations, meet a vendor, respond to an urgent email, or network. And we wrap up with a 15 to 20-minute open discussion on topic(s) from the members.

## **Q: I'm not exactly a safety professional but I have safety responsibilities, is this for me too?**

A: Yes, absolutely! We encourage project managers, training specialists, HR coordinators, and others who have safety as a collateral duty. They have much to gain, can be significant allies in the safety journey, and with their slightly different perspective, much to give as well.

## **Q: How is this different from a Safety Committee?**

A: In general, a safety committee is a small group of people who meet for the benefit of the organization. This Safety Professional Peer Group is designed to benefit the individual members.

## **Q: So this is a round table discussion?**

A: Not exactly, you don't have to be an expert to join and there is no expectation that you must share your point of view. If you have something to add value to the discussion, share it. If you don't, just listen or ask a question.

## **Q: Is this a lunch & learn or infomercial from a host vendor who will call me a dozen times after the meeting?**

A: Not at all, Vendors are members of the SPPG and their activities are monitored to ensure optimum conditions for the peer group. They are encouraged to participate in the networking and discussion to learn about the concerns we all have. There is no food or anything else to create a distraction or sense of debt to the host. This is a member benefit to help ABC of Metro Washington meet our goal of having the safest members in the construction industry.



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