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NEW TOOLS FOR MINE WORKER SAFETY

New tools to ensure the health and safety of workers at mine and petroleum sites are being rolled out across the state.

Minister for Resources Don Harwin today announced the NSW Resources Regulator will conduct workshops across NSW to help operators manage health risks in the workplace.

“Protecting our workers is a responsibility this Government takes extremely seriously,” Mr Harwin said.

“NSW has a comprehensive regulatory scheme in place to protect workers in the mining industry and we expect it to be followed at all times.

“A key requirement for mine operators is to develop health control plans and undertake health monitoring of their workers, and the NSW Resources Regular has developed a suite of new tools to help operators meet these requirements.”

New tools and resources being made available for the industry include:

- educational videos on identifying and controlling health risks, exposure monitoring and health monitoring;
- a health control plan guide, a practical guide of the steps to be taken to develop a health control plan;
- tools that provide guidance on identifying, assessing and controlling health hazards as well as documenting and evaluating your health control plan;
- resources that provide information about specific health hazards, their health consequences, exposure limits and control measures; and
- fact sheets with information on developing aspects of health control plans.

In addition to these new tools, the regulator will host a series of workshops tailored to various mines, both large and small, to ensure their health control plans meet current legislative requirements.

The workshops will be held at regional locations during February and March. For more information on health control plans or to find a workshop near you [click here](#)