# **CDC I-Catalyst Program Project**

# **Occupational Safety Resources Interview Protocol Guide and Questions**

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**Background Information**:

The construction industry is one of the most dangerous industries with high rates of injuries and fatalities among workers. The smaller the company, the greater the risk for injuries, illnesses, and fatalities. 92% of construction firms in the U.S. have fewer than 20 employees. Therefore, small residential construction businesses are at risk of increased injuries, illness, and fatalities among workers. The CDC’s National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) develops new knowledge in the field of occupational safety and health and to transfer that knowledge into practice. The project team hopes to gain insights and develop tools to provide relevant, helpful, easy to implement, and impactful safety and health information, recommendations, and resources to small residential construction business owners and managers. Resources should be informed by the hierarchy of controls and tailored and accessible to the target audience.

**Interviewer to Respondent**: Hi, my name is ...Thank you for your time. I know you are busy, I only need about 30 minutes of your time. I’m from CDC’s National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) working on a project construction firms activities, and want to ask some questions to learn more about your construction firm and planning activities and measures. Thank you for participating in this data collection effort. We will use the opinions and impressions you provide only for analyzing the general trends and information useful for developing safety and health information tools and resources for small residential construction business owners. You will not be identified in any published reporting. Individual respondents will not be identified in study reports except with their express permission.

1. When was the last time you sought out information on occupational safety and health information related to residential construction?
   1. How did you find it or who did you reach out to?
   2. Where did you go to find it? Why?
2. What does safety mean to your firm and the work you do in residential construction? Can you give me an example?
3. What makes it easier to do things in a safe manner at the workplace or worksite?
   1. What makes it more difficult?
4. What is the most helpful piece of safety information you have received related to residential construction? Please share an example.
   1. How and why was it helpful?
   2. Where did it come from? Tell me about how you used this information and why.
5. What do you think is the most serious health and safety concern you face at work/in residential construction?
   1. How do you deal with that?

Thank you for your time.