

2026 Workplace Violence Priority Award

The Workplace Violence Priority Award, part of SCHA's Zero Harm Priority Awards, is given in partnership with Antum Risk and recognizes facilities that embrace Zero Harm through the adoption of specific Workplace Violence prevention strategies during January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025.

Please note: All attested information will be reviewed and validated. You may be asked to provide additional information.

If your hospital has never won a Workplace Violence Priority Award, you must attest to all components of at least four categories. If your hospital has previously won the Workplace Violence Priority Award, you must attest to all components of all five categories.

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COLLABORATION

- Participation in the SC Workplace Violence Collaborative, to include annual completion of the Organizational Assessment and submission of all workplace violence incident data
- Development of a hospital/health system Workplace Violence committee or designated group that meets regularly to review incidents and discuss on-going workplace violence efforts
- Partnership with local law enforcement (such as participation in annual training drills, regular meetings)

WRITTEN PROGRAM

- Comprehensive written workplace violence program
- Annual review of written workplace violence program
- Written workplace violence program includes criteria for inclusion of an after-action review for incidents

TRAINING

- Workplace violence drills are conducted annually and involve staff from all levels of the organization
- Mandatory staff education on the workplace violence program upon hire and annually
- Staff in high-risk areas receive additional annual workplace violence training above what general employees receive

RESPONSE

- Designated group of responders to provide assistance and support in de-escalation and physical safety
- Designated group to provide medical care and counseling for affected staff
- Outstanding items in the after-action report are tracked to completion

PATIENT EVALUATION

- Patients with a history of staff assault are identified and communicated to appropriate staff
- Established protocols for the application of restraints (chemical, manual, and device)
- All patients assessed for agitation level (such as interviewing, screening tool)