

International Facility Management Association Course Outline: “Fall’s Aren’t Funny”

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Outline

The Center of Disease Control (CDC) refers to the growing problem of slips, trips-and-falls as a “national epidemic.” Slips, trips-and-falls are the leading cause of emergency room visits and leading cause of accidental death for people over the age of 85. The estimated annual costs of same-level falls tops \$80 billion but up to recently little attention has been paid to this ever-growing problem.

This program will outline the slip, trip-and-fall problem faced by facilities maintenance professionals and provide real-world solutions as to how to reduce such injuries. The course will cover the following segments:

- Segment 1. Understanding the magnitude and costs of slips, trips-and-falls
- Segment 2. Causes of slips, trips-and-falls
- Segment 3. OSHA’s proposed new Walking and Working Surface requirements
- Segment 4. An overview of the NFSI Walkway Auditing Guideline and the new ANSI/NFSI B101.1-2009 standard
- Segment 5. Legal implications of slips, trips-and-falls

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