

## Engineering and Maintenance System Wide Accredited uLearn Training for Licensing Compliance, Reduced Expense and Enhanced Associate Safety Education

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## **Project Statement**

The goal of the project was to create a consistent training program for compliance.

- Standard Core Training program for all facilities within UPMC
- Cost Savings
- Time Savings
- Automated reporting on training completion



# **Project Team**





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## **Project Abstract**

There was a need for consistent and standardized work safety training to meet regulatory requirements. In a partnership the UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside Engineering and Maintenance Department (E&M) and Environmental Health and Safety Department (EHS) developed a set of courses that E&M had certified by the City of Pittsburgh to meet the accreditation requirements for renewal of Stationary Engineering Licenses. EHS training associates would conduct one course at each of the monthly E&M departmental safety meetings. E&M managers tracked training completion and conducted makeup sessions.

The process was time consuming and there was no automated reporting, making it impossible to implement on a large scale. The Learning and Development (L&D) department was engaged to transform the current in-person process to computer based uLearn work safety training courses.

The pilot program was rolled out in 2012, will expand to 100% of facilities in 2013 and be measured using the following:

- Actual and estimated cost savings for EHS
- Actual and estimated cost savings for E&M
- Actual and estimated cost savings for outside training for licensing

The success of the uLearn program positively impacts patient safety, improving the overall environment of care at all facilities. It will ensure that 100% of the facilities have consistent and standardized safety training being used across the UPMC Health System.

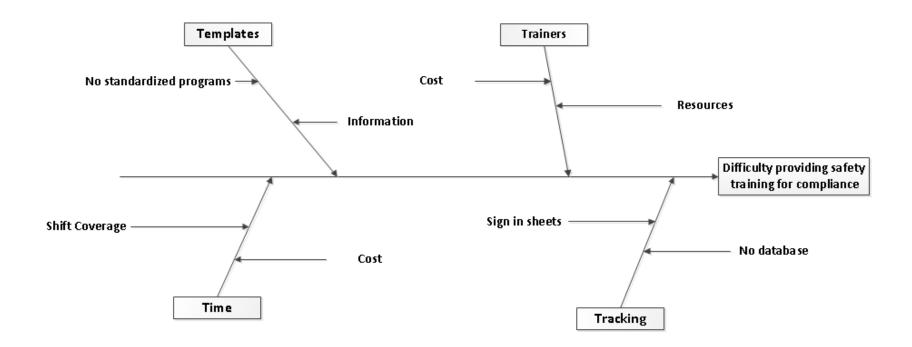


## **Quality Indicators**

- Actual and estimated cost savings for the Environmental Health and Safety Department that conducts the trainings
- Actual and estimated associate work hour cost savings for the Engineering and Maintenance Department
- Actual and estimated cost savings for acquiring outside training for Engineering and Maintenance associate's licensing and compliance



# **Continuous Quality Improvement Tools (CQI)**





## **Base Data**

#### Who needs training?

265 Maintenance Associates Presbyterian Shadyside Hospital

345 Maintenance Associates at other UPMC Facilities

#### What is the cost?

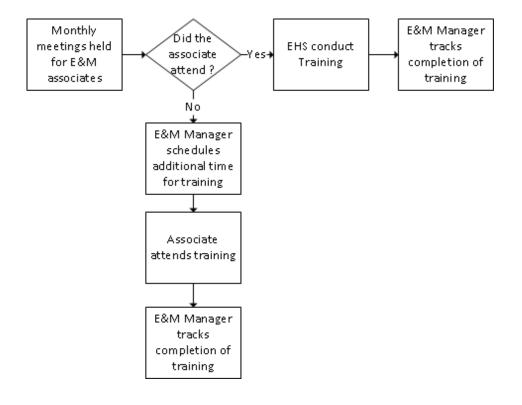
\$4,000 = Environmental Health and Safety
Department onsite training

1100 = Number of hours spent conducting training



## **Current Process**

#### **Presbyterian Shadyside Process**

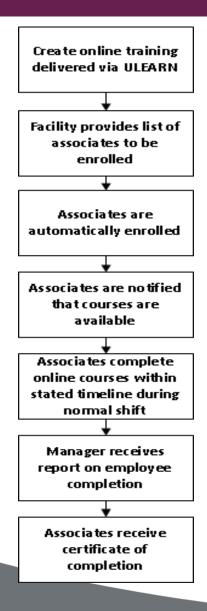


#### **Other UPMC Sites**

No formal process to document



## **New Process**



All classes completed within 6 weeks



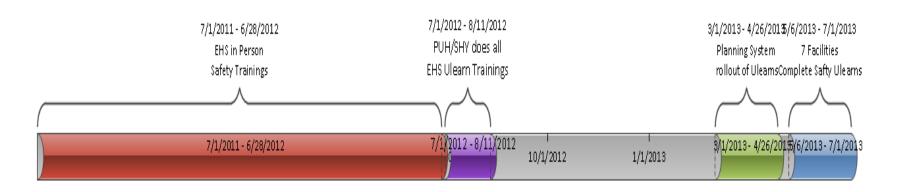
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- \*Confined Space Entry Electrical Safety
- \*Fall Protection & Ladder Safety
- \*Haz/Com and Waste Training
- \*Laboratory Safety
- \*Lock Out-Tag Out
- \*Machine Guarding and Tool Safety Maintenance Area Safety and Security Maintenance Dept. Customer Service

Excellence

- \*MRI Safety
- \*Respiratory Protection

\*Contact Hour Credited LIFE CHANGING MEDICINE

# **Timeline**



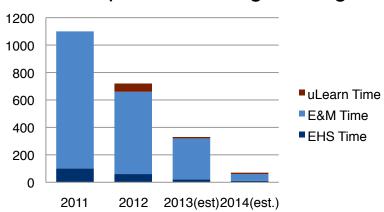
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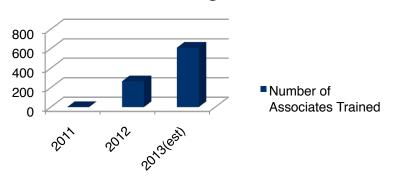


## **Outcome Results**

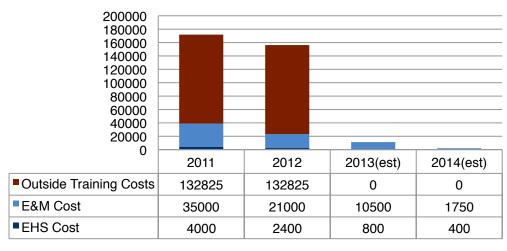
## Time spent delivering training



# Number of staff associates trained using uLearn



#### Cost savings



Proof by the numbers

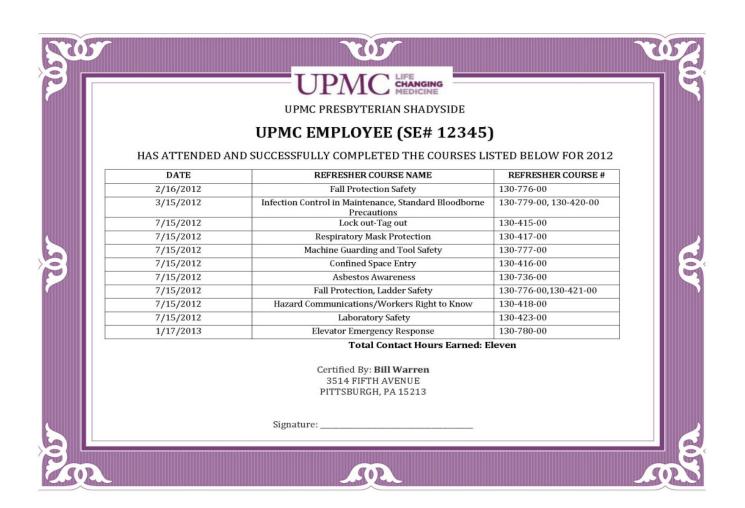


## **Outcome Results**

- 100% of UPMC Hospital facilities enrollment in the 2013 Work Safety uLearn program
- 610 employees receiving consistent work safety training annually
- Automated reporting for OSHA compliance
- 1000 hours of effort being saved for delivery of UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside program
- 100% UPMC hospital facilities will now have a formal safety training program
- Allows time for additional training programs to be developed... more safety to come!



# **Training Certificate Awarded**





## **Barriers and Lessons Learned**

#### **Barriers to Success**

Converting instruction led training into online format

Acquiring accreditations for multiple municipalities

Tailoring training to meet the needs of all facilities

#### **Lessons Learned**

Development of training that can be used system wide while also delivering facility specific information

There was a desire for this type of program at all of our facilities



## **Next Steps**

- Identify other areas that require training
- Identify additional training requirements
- Create additional courses
- Provide additional reporting
- Communicate the process for transitioning to uLearn



### References

- The Joint Commission Environment of Care Standards
- OSHA Requirements
- PA Department of Health
- City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Building Inspection(BBI), and The National Institute for the Licensing of Power Engineers, Inc. (NIULPE). \* \*

\*\* NIULPE – "The National Institute for the Uniform Licensing of Power Engineers, Inc. (NIULPE) is a third-party certification organization mandated to establish and maintain international standards of education and competency for the power and energy related trades and professions. A few trades and professions include in these standards are boiler operators, fireman, water-tenders, operating engineers, stationary engineers, power plant operators, refrigeration plant operators, turbine operators. NIULPE also mandates quality control through the commissioning of examiners, proctors, instructors, educational facilities and their programs.

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