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Health Links™ awarded \$147,000 to improve worker health and safety in Weld County

AURORA, Colo. (July 9, 2018) — Health Links™ has been awarded \$147,000 in Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) funds through the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) for a project to improve worker health and safety in Weld County. Health Links will use this funding to lead an employer coalition, host trainings, grant funding for sustainable workplace health and safety improvements, and offer their assessment and advising services to employers in the community.

SEPs are public health or environmental sustainability projects that use funds from environmental enforcement cases. This particular project will focus on reaching major industries in Weld County including oil and gas, agriculture, manufacturing, and transportation.

“With this funding, we are in a unique position to work closely with the business leaders in Weld County to reach workers in some of the highest risk industries,” said Lili Tenney, the director and co-founder of Health Links. “We have the opportunity to make a significant impact on the health, safety, and well-being of thousands of workers by implementing solutions that are based on community needs.”

Health Links provides organizations with an assessment, advising services, and resources to help them evaluate and improve the health and safety culture of their workplace. With this new financial support, the program will be able to dedicate additional resources to gathering community input and reaching at-risk workers.

This project will be undertaken in connection with the settlement of an enforcement action taken by the CDPHE, Air Pollution Control Division, for violation of air quality laws or regulations.





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About Health Links

Health Links is a signature program of the Center for Health, Work & Environment at the Colorado School of Public Health. We collaborate with employers to build a culture of health and safety in the workplace. Backed by the expertise of researchers and our local community advisors, we assess organizations' health and safety policies and programs, advise on actionable goals in one-on-one advising sessions, connect like-minded businesses with one another and to local resources, and certify qualifying employers as Healthy Businesses. For more information, visit healthlinkscertified.org.

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