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## ASSP and SAIA form alliance to advance worker safety

ORLANDO, FL (July 22, 2025) — The American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP) and the Scaffold and Access Industry Association (SAIA) signed a memorandum of understanding today to advance worker safety and health nationwide. The three-year agreement was finalized by organizational leaders at the Safety 2025 Professional Development Conference and Exposition at the Orange County Convention Center.

"We recognize the benefits of collaboration to improve occupational safety and health practices while elevating the voice of our profession," said ASSP President Linda Tapp, CSP, ALCM, CPTD. "Together we strive to strengthen advocacy efforts that reduce worker illnesses, injuries and fatalities across the board."

The two organizations will take advantage of opportunities to jointly advance national consensus standards and explore key regulatory and legislative issues. They will also cross-promote volunteer opportunities while sharing content and amplifying stories of member communities. The purpose is to build a larger and more engaged safety community and encourage the sharing of trusted guidance to drive positive workplace safety outcomes.

"Our mutual interests in increasing engagement and advancing worker safety will create many opportunities to work together in areas of professional practice," said SAIA President Michael Bredl. "It's important for organizations to share best practices in workplace safety and health for the benefit of the greater community."

The new alliance is among <u>many joint agreements</u> ASSP has in place to improve the well-being of workers in all industries. SAIA has also created <u>several partnerships</u> to promote the safe use of scaffold and access equipment.

ASSP is the world's oldest professional safety organization with 36,000 members advancing worker well-being and the safety and health profession since the Society's inception in 1911. ASSP provides member communities, serves as a trusted advisor and elevates safety through workforce development. Learn more at <a href="https://www.assp.org">www.assp.org</a>.

SAIA aims to ensure that those who make, install, depend on or govern the use of scaffold and access equipment pursue the highest standards of safety, craftsmanship and ethics. Learn more at <a href="https://www.saiaonline.org">www.saiaonline.org</a>.