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Is a Diversity, Equity & Inclusion focus really needed in the construction industry?



Is a Diversity, Equity & Inclusion focus really needed in the construction industry? Yes, it is and we have a wonderful member making the case on our behalf. Kathleen Dobson, Safety Director for Alberici and NAWIC member in the Detroit Chapter, has taken the torch and composed an article for Construction Tech Review. In this article, Dobson brings to light that despite the changes in society and this industry, it has mostly remained unchanged. The construction industry has held onto biases and prejudices that not only hurt the individual but the whole workforce. By marginalizing women and people of different ethnicities, collaboration, experiences and insight that could improve the process is lost.

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NAWIC Benefits Spotlight

The Coaching Corner with Michael Riegel: Why is it Still Hard to Tackle Mental Health Stigma?



The Coaching Corner

WITH MICHAEL RIEGEL

Over the last 18 months, we have heard a lot about front line or essential workers and the challenges they have faced in dealing with pandemic impacts from burnout and exhaustion to medical exposure and health risks. Too often, those workers were considered the doctors, nurses, hospital workers, bus drivers, and supermarket employees. After a short pause to consider safe approaches to maintain projects, construction resumed and has not stopped. I wish I could explain why construction workers were not cast in the same light. Perhaps because they are not public facing. Maybe the stereotype of being strong and stoic worked against them and their risks. After all, they are not office workers, did not have remote work opportunities, and work in an industry that is already regulated to promote physical safety.

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Driving Innovation from Concept to Construction



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Industry Update

Is construction at high risk for COVID-19? It depends on how you look at it.

There have been persistent contradictions between states' COVID-19 metrics and the experiences reported by contractors on jobsites.

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Construction exec helps other women find their way to careers in the industry

Kelley Cowan, director of XL Construction's Sacramento Region office, talks about the plentiful job opportunities in construction.

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'The homes where legends are made:' A glimpse into stadium construction

Building a pro sports venue comes with more risks, more money on the line and stricter deadlines than most other projects. Nevertheless, it's a rewarding experience, experts told Construction Dive.

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