

Helping to access health and safety advisory services

If you're a small to medium sized business in the manufacturing sector, you might be eligible for an ACC workplace injury prevention subsidy to help pay for a health and safety advisory service from a HASANZ-registered professional.

Collaborating with HASANZ to give your business a hand

In collaboration with the Health and Safety Association of New Zealand (HASANZ), ACC have designed a workplace injury prevention subsidy. It's to help small and medium sized businesses have better access to the health and safety (H&S) advisory services. The aim of this subsidy is to improve workplace H&S performance in the manufacturing sector.

Small to medium sized businesses have told ACC they would benefit from accessing H&S advisory services. They often need extra resources to improve their health and safety systems and/or practices. That's even more important in the case of the manufacturing sector.

Whatever your line of work, whatever your business structure, having a health and safety plan is critical. Putting it into practice every day will keep your team safe, reduce your risk and costs, drive productivity up and improve staff retention.

With support from HASANZ, you can search for professional help for the problem you're trying to solve. The HASANZ Register is a one-stop shop for businesses to find reliable, quality health and safety advice and services. Funding from WorkSafe and ACC helped develop the national, online register of verified workplace health and safety professionals.

H&S advisory services ACC can help pay for

The H&S advisory services must be undertaken and signed off by a H&S advisor on the HASANZ Register. You can find a suitable registered advisor, with experience in your sector, from the online HASANZ [Register](#).

Find a registered professional from the HASANZ Register

The types of H&S advisory services ACC will contribute to are:

Types of services	Description
Action plan	<p>The plan should respond to the question: what is the business <u>going to do</u> to have better health and safety in this workplace?</p> <p>An action plan is a documented list of objectives, activities, tasks, timelines, responsibilities and other information that outlines how you'll address a H&S gap or improve the overall H&S of a workplace.</p>
Improvement activity	<p>An improvement activity should respond to the question: what has the health and safety consultant helped us to <u>put in place</u> to improve the health and safety of our workplace?</p> <p>An improvement activity are the actions and/or tasks that have been implemented to address a gap or improve the overall health and safety of a workplace.</p>

ACC contribution

ACC will pay 50% of the cost of an advisory service from a HASANZ-registered H&S professional up to a maximum amount, depending on the size of your business.

Business size (employees)	Business size definition	Our maximum contribution*
Small to Small/Medium (approx.6-49 employees)	\$373k - \$3,050k liable earnings	\$500
Medium (approx.50-99 employees)	\$3,112k - \$6,162k liable earnings	\$1,300

*Maximum contribution excludes GST

The maximum contribution varies according to the size of the business, eg a H&S advisor is likely to spend more time providing their advice to a medium sized business, so the service costs may be more than the cost for a small business.

The subsidy will be available for 12 months from 30 September, but ACC review uptake after 6 months.

Example

If the H&S advisory service costs \$1,500, our contribution for each business size would be:

Business size	H&S advisory service cost	Our contribution*	Notes
Small – Small/Medium (6 – 49 employees)	\$1,500	\$500	Payment capped at maximum for this business size
Medium (50 – 99 employees)	\$1,500	\$750	Payment capped at 50% of cost

*Contribution excludes GST

How to apply

To apply for the workplace injury prevention subsidy, your business needs to be:

- a small to medium sized business with 6 to 99 employees
- in the manufacturing industry, including all its sub-sectors.

To apply, download and complete the application form, then email it to ACC.

[ACC8086 Application for injury prevention subsidy \(PDF 88 KB\)](#)

Email safety@acc.co.nz

Note: ACC determines the sub-sector a business belongs to through their Classification Unit (CU) code used for levy invoicing purposes, and the business size through the reported business liable earnings.

After ACC has received the application

1. They will confirm eligibility
2. Businesses can then go ahead and engage with a HASANZ-registered H&S professional
3. Send ACC a receipt and a copy of the Action Plan and/or the Improvement Activity report from your advisor
4. ACC will transfer their contribution to your nominated bank account