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What's New in September – Please visit our [What's New](#) page and our [Online Resource Library](#) updated on a monthly basis (see below).

A **Critical Topic Update on H1N1** has been added to the Hot Topics section of the [Online Resource Library](#).

Pandemic influenza and small business preparedness is the topic of an OSHA [small business](#) forum on pandemic influenza workplace planning and preparedness September 30th from 1 to 3pm. An expert panel of OSHA, state and county health officials and a small business representative will discuss the current H1N1 threat, explore preventive measures and identify resources for small businesses on preparing their workplaces for a pandemic.

Bully Proof Your Child for Life is a book from the nationally-renowned "Bully Coach", [Dr. Joel Haber](#). The book is designed to help parents and educators deal with the ever growing problem of bullying among kids. It is a great resource for parents and fall staff training.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration ([NHTSA](#)) is committed to reducing school bus-related crashes, injuries, and fatalities through both behavioral programs and vehicle regulations. NHTSA works to educate school bus drivers, students, and other motorists about safe behavior that reduces the risk of being involved in a school bus-related crash. More information about their programs, School Bus Safety week programs and an in-service training series is available at their [Website](#).

Flip flops are an extremely popular style of footwear for many staff members. However, not only can they be considered an unprofessional form of workplace footwear; they also carry a more serious risk. This style of shoe

is associated with a number of problems, injuries and accidents. Learn more in this month's [Staff Safety Focus](#).

The most critical skills for a lifeguard are those that prevent accidents. While rescue and resuscitation skills are extremely important, scanning skills used in victim recognition are the primary function of the lifeguard. Lifeguards must be constantly vigilant and attentive. Lifeguards may appear to be Rescue Ready and actively scanning but tests continue to show that less than 10 percent of the lifeguards tested spotted a submerged silhouette manikin within 10 seconds of its placement on the pool bottom. Safe-Wise Consulting provides workshop training presentations that focus on the critical behaviors that encourage a high level of vigilance and aquatic safety at your aquatic venues. For more information on this training and other program contact [Safe-Wise Consulting](#).

Aquatic Safety Articles Online:

[Losing Focus? A Study Reveals Where Managers Should be Focusing Their In-Service Training Efforts](#) - *Aquatics International Magazine*

[From Victim Recognition to Victim Prevention](#) - *Athletic Business Magazine*

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has found preventable injuries resulting from swimming pool chemicals cause as many as 5,200 emergency room visits every year. Many are attributed to inhalation and improper handling. Please review the [Safe Chemical Handling Practices](#) to prevent injuries and accidents.

Learn more about these and other topics in the [Online Resource Library](#)