

NSW mining and extractives industry

Purpose and objectives

The health control plan must be documented as part of the safety management system. The purpose is to maintain a record of identified health hazards and control measures. The plan must be evaluated and reviewed if:

- changes are made to the operation
- new substances are introduced
- after a health-related incident
- if new information becomes available.

Information about hazards and risks must be made available to workers who are exposed to health hazards and any personal exposure and health monitoring results. Health monitoring results must also be retained.

Process

- The information that must be documented in the safety management system should already be known. The previous tools should have identified much of the information required.
- Use an existing health control plan or the form attached to record the hazards, controls and any monitoring results.
- Have the responsible person, identified in the 'Health responsibilities worksheet' record relevant information and make the details available to workers who come into contact with the health hazards.
- Record exposure monitoring and health monitoring if undertaken for the hazard.
- Each time there is a review of health hazards at the mine the plan should be updated. How often you do that review should be based upon the particular health risks in the workplace.