



Sixth Inter-Island Public Health Forum

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Health at Work

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Scotland's Health at Work Scheme (SHAW), is a National Award Scheme specifically designed to encourage and reward employers in their efforts to improve the health of their workforce and to build a "healthy workplace", and, by extension, a "healthy organization".

The scheme encourages participating workplaces to promote the health of its employees by introducing policies on health topics such as healthy eating choices, smoking and its cessation, on local exercise facilities and in the provision of health information and appropriate training. The importance and awareness of sound health and safety practice in the workplace is also included.

The Western Isles Health Board's Headquarters building achieved the Bronze Award in 1998 and has recently been working towards renewing the award following re-validation.

The Western Isles Health Board's Human Resource Directorate, in collaboration with other departments, has been working towards achieving the SHAW Bronze Award for the Western Isles Hospital (Ospadal nan Eilean) based in Stornoway on the Isle of Lewis.

The presentation will include setting about the task, how the group organised into a multi-disciplinary Steering Group, set performance criteria and short, medium and long term objectives leading to the ultimate submission of collated evidence to the Award's External Assessor.