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Workshops on workplace drug use

FRONTLINE Diagnostics are currently holding a series of workshops to educate Australian employers about the prevalence and impact of drugs at work and how to develop policies to ensure a drug-safe workplace.

The Drug-Safe workshops, designed for business owners and managers and OH & S managers, will be held in Sydney, Canberra, Wollongong, Newcastle, Brisbane and Melbourne until June.

The two hour workshops will feature a number of speakers including Frontline Diagnostics MD Michael White, a legal expert and a toxicologist who specialises in identifying the effects of drugs in the body.

“Most managers are oblivious to drug use and drug impairment at work. It’s not easy to monitor the presence of drugs at work, yet 70% of drug users in Australia are employed. Organisations need to remember that a reputation for drug use will kill a business just as fast as it will kill a drug user.

“The upcoming workshops will focus on a number of areas including how to develop and implement a drug and alcohol policy; training managers and teaching employees about company policy; differences between the types of drug testing available; how Frontline Diagnostics can screen your entire workplace for the presence of drugs and finally, how to structure an effective random drug testing program for employees,” he said.



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White has experienced first-hand how drug use can be overlooked in the workplace and the damaging consequences.
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