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MAJOR SAFETY AWARD TO WA!

A Perth businessman's passion for minimising workplace accidents has been recognised with one of Australia's most prestigious safety awards.

Dan Smetana, chairman of Joyce Corporation, which produces polyurethane foam products, has been presented with the Ian Chisholm Award by the National Safety Council of Australia (NSCA).

The award recognises the outstanding contribution of an individual to occupational health and safety beyond their own workplace.

Dan Smetana's voluntary contribution to workplace safety issues has received acclaim from the National Safety Council.

Dan is serving his second term as president of WA-based IFAP, an independent non-profit organisation which is responsible for training more than 12,000 people a year. He's been on the IFAP board for 17 years and has also been a member of the board of the National Safety Council of Australia.

He praises the commitment of large companies to industrial safety and says it has become an exception for a company not to give safety a significant focus.

"What is quite unique at IFAP is that the board is made up of CEO's or the equivalent and all give their time voluntarily."

Dan Smetana says that IFAP and the NSCA are working very closely together to ensure that both organisations continue to lead in training and awareness of workplace safety.

NSCA president Bernie Doyle says that for someone of Dan's calibre to fly the flag for workplace safety has played an important part in furthering its awareness in industries across the nation.

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