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Saint Mary's Hearing Conservation Program was established to prevent occupational hearing loss and comply with the Cal-OSHA Standard, Title 8, Section 5097. The program includes:

- noise monitoring
- audiometric testing annually
- hearing protectors

Section 9 – Safety, Health & Environmental Services

- education and training annually
- record keeping

Applies to – all employees occupationally exposed and/or potentially exposed to harmful noise at certain levels proscribed by Cal-OSHA. If monitoring reveals that for a particular employee the noise level is exceeded, the employee would be included in this program. Currently all Facilities Services Grounds employees fall under this requirement.

Training required – Applicable employees are required to repeat this training every 12 months plus hearing monitoring every 12 months

Standards' location – EH&S website, and hard copy in Facilities Services.