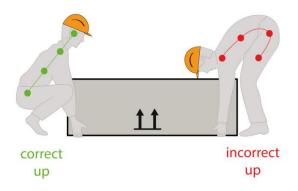


Lessons Learned

Date: 10/2/2023 Region: National Facility Service - Montana Project: Aurora, MT Incident Title: Shoulder Strain

Summary Picture

An Apollo plumber was attempting to pick up a 10' stick of 4" PVC pipe. The pipe was in a bundle with about 9 other pieces and was banded together with straps. The worker reached down and grabbed a piece off the top thinking the bands had been cut. When they lifted the pipe there was more weight than expected and the worker strained a muscle in their right shoulder/neck.



What Went Right?

- The worker called his foreman immediately after the injury took place.
- The employee was not attempting to lift anything too heavy that couldn't be handled by himself.

What Went Wrong?

- Inadequate planning and inspection of pipe bundle.
- The worker was having issues with their back and shoulder prior to the incident which was not addressed.

Lessons Learned

- There is a lack of appropriate ergonomics and material handling training for the division. This will be addressed with the team along with other training courses over the coming weeks.
- The division will be systematically put through Apollo Orientation to catch up the division.
- PTP's need to be filled out in more detail and addressed by the crew at stretch and flex.
- Local clinics will have Apollo discounts for individuals interested in seeking pro-active treatment for body maintenance and injury prevention.