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HSE London construction health inspection initiative

WHAT: This week sees the start of HSE's latest construction inspection initiative running until 17 February. This initiative will target **London sites primarily** focusing on [health](#) and [asbestos](#) work in particular, looking at the measures in place to protect workers from occupational lung disease when carrying out [common construction tasks](#).

WHY: Priority is often given to safety but thousands more workers suffer ill-health at work than are harmed by at-work accidents. Asbestos is a 'slow killer'. HSE estimates that annually there are around 8,000 work-related cancer deaths a year. The construction industry [accounts for around 3,500 of these](#) with asbestos and silica the major causes.

HOW: HSE inspectors will be looking to ensure those involved with construction projects [know the risks](#), [properly plan their work](#) and [use the right controls](#). Where poor standards are found, enforcement action will be taken. Work right so you and your workers [Go Home Healthy](#).

Further information

- [Where asbestos can be found](#)

For advice on how to improve workplace safety and how to reduce your risk please get in touch or visit us at www.4see.co.uk.

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