



TRIPPING ACCIDENT IN MEETING ROOM RESULTS IN LOST TIME INJURY

SAFETY ALERT

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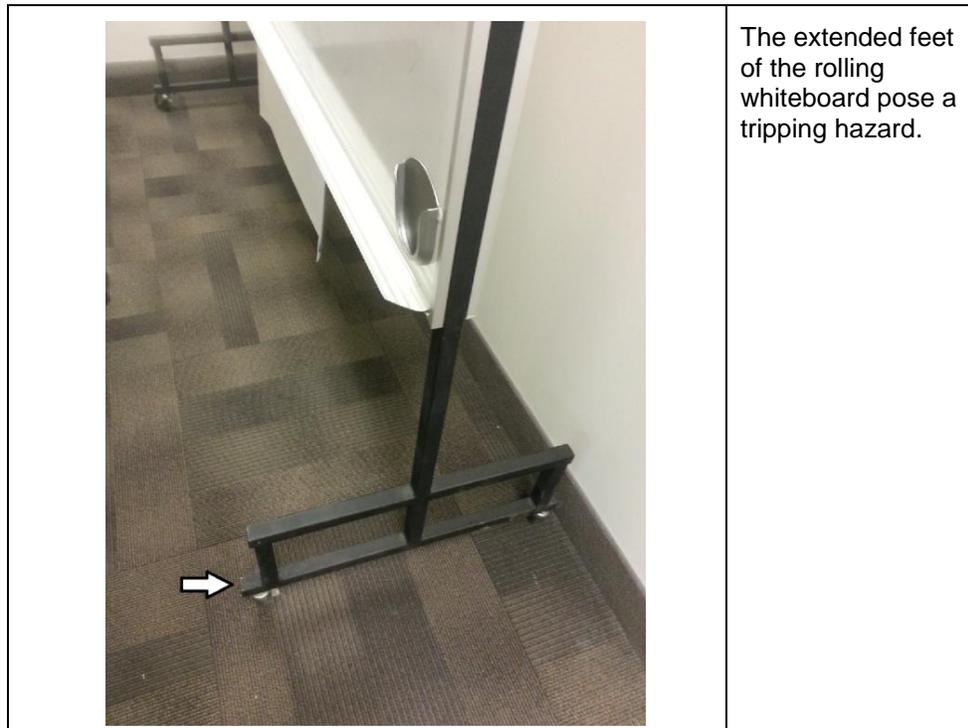
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Description of Incident:

An employee was attending a meeting in a conference room. After the meeting was adjourned, the employee went to exit the room by walking around the table, and then tripped on the extended feet of a rolling whiteboard. This caused the employee to lose balance and fall, striking a planter located beside the wall.

The employee received first aid but eventually went to hospital for further treatment, resulting in a lost time injury.



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Corrective/Preventive Actions:

- Meeting host should conduct a pre-meeting walkthrough to evaluate any hazards within the meeting room.
- If there is equipment located in the room that is not required for the meeting, it should be removed if possible.
- It is recommended that whiteboards be mounted on meeting room walls, eliminating the risk from rolling/wheeled whiteboards entirely.
- Reduce congestion by ensuring the meeting room booked is appropriate for the number of attendees.

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