LA County Department of Public Health I Silicosis



QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CONTRACTOR



ARTIFICIAL STONE

Have you heard the recent news about workers cutting artificial stone getting sick with silicosis due to silica dust exposure?



WET-CUTTING METHODS

Does your shop use wet-cutting methods or integrated water delivery systems to help minimize dust?



SAFER ALTRNATIVES

Are there other products available that have low-silica content? What substitutions are good alternatives for my project?



HEALTH & SAFETY PROTECTION

What are you doing to protect the health and safety of the workers that are cutting and fabricating these products?



EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Does your shop provide education and training to workers in various languages on using the correct respirator, how to handle this product safely and how to minimize their exposure to silica dust?



LONG-TERM EXPOSURE

Does your shop inform workers about the dangers of cutting engineered stone, including silicosis and the risk of respiratory diseases and cancer from long-term exposure to silica dust?



Contact Cal/OSHA at 833-579-0927 to connect with a live representative.

You can also visit: worksafewithsilica.org

