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Consultation representation and participation

Section 72 of the WHS Act should be re-written to make HSR training mandatory. Many HSR's are unaware that they have the right to request HSR training-that's because they haven't been trained. Having untrained HSRs serves no-ones interests. By having the possibility HSR's with no skills and knowledge the door is opened for poor decision making, misunderstanding about the role of HSR and many other problems around consultation. HSR training needs to be mandatory for all HSR's. The current obligation on PCBU's under Section 72 is poor legislation.