## **BEST PRACTICE**

**LOCATION:** All sites **ARTICLE YEAR:** 2004

ACTIVITY: Occupational Health COMPANY: Lafarge Aggregates

SUB ACTIVITY: Air and dust COMPANY LOCATION: Lafarge Contracting, Leicestershire

**BEST PRACTICE No:** BP205 **COMPANY TEL:** 0116 230 4041

## Hand arm vibration Œ addressing the risks

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When Lafarge Contracting conducted a thorough survey of plant and equipment to identify and categorise the exposure rates, it decided that more needed to be done to raise awareness about Œ and hopefully reduce Œ hand arm vibration.

The safety department at this Mountsorrel site was set a number of tasks, which it responded to with the following changes:

L purchasing improved equipment, such as a replacement for the heavy duty breaker and a vibration meter

L reviewing current work methods and amending to reduce operatives™ exposure to hand arm vibration

L identifying those in the workforce who may have symptoms of hand arm vibration and carrying out further medical examinations and monitoring with the help of an occupational medical company

- L developing a toolbox talk
- L developing a training package
- L making presentations at national safety days.

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