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Monterey County Workforce Development Board provides no-cost monthly HR webinars and HR hotline to assist employers in Monterey County

Friday, January 7, 2022 — In partnership with the California Employers Association (CEA), the Monterey County Workforce Development Board (MCWDB) is providing a series of webinars and a free hotline to assist Monterey County employers with Human Resource (HR) support.

The HR Hotline is live Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Employers can call the HR Hotline toll-free at (888) 589-7577 for English or (888) 217-6899 for Spanish. Topics include: Claims for Unemployment Insurance, Labor Commission, and/or Discrimination; COVID-19 Related and Return-to-Work Inquiries; Employee Discipline and Termination; Employee and Labor Relations; Harassment Prevention; Paid Sick Leave Laws and Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA); and Workers' Compensation Regulations.

Below are descriptions of and hyperlinks to upcoming webinars for Monterey County businesses:

January 12 – 2022 Labor Law Update

2021 was an unprecedented year in so many ways. 2022 looks to be a bit brighter regarding the pandemic, however, with all of the laws the California Legislature and Governor passed in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, it's been difficult to keep up on what is and isn't new. This presentation will inform you of the latest updates and new bills that touch on almost every facet of employment for 2022.

January 27 – What Employers Need Today

Employers are facing challenges today in recruiting, hiring and retaining employees. This training explores today's trends in the workplace. With record high resignations and employees reassessing their work life balance, employers are learning that they need to work hard to find and retain key employees. This presentation will include collaborative ways to ensure that employers are able to obtain employees that are ready to hire and resources that will help everyone succeed.

February 17 – Employee Handbooks

An employee handbook is one of the most important communication tools you can have between your company and your employees. Not only does it set forth your expectations for your employees, it also describes what they can expect from you and ensures your business complies with state and federal employment laws.

Additional webinars will be offered in 2022, on topics ranging from Leave Laws for Smaller Employers to Wage & Hour Updates.