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## Airport Event Encourages Everyone to Think Safety First

*PHL Safety Fair participants learn valuable tips to keep them, their children and pets safe*

**PHILADELPHIA** – Getting people to think about safety first and offering practical information on safe practices at home, in the workplace, in leisure activities and in taking care of children and pets was the aim of this year’s Safety Fair that took place today at Philadelphia International Airport (PHL). Anyone passing by the Food Court area along the B/C Connector or the Tour Room near Terminal C was greeted by tables staffed with representatives from various organizations offering literature, displays and conversation on best safety practices covering a range of relevant topics.

The Philadelphia Fire Department Engine 78 shared information on fire prevention, while the American Red Cross demonstrated the proper technique for administering cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and using automated external defibrillators (AEDs). The Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia distributed maps of bike-friendly routes and literature on bicycle safety. Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia shared information on pediatric injury prevention and teen driver safety.

Med-Tex Safety Services offered tips on avoiding injuries at work. IMX Medical Services provided blood pressure checks and gave pointers on proper lifting techniques to prevent back injuries. Human Scale demonstrated ergonomically-friendly office equipment, and Allegheny Family Chiropractic Center performed spinal assessments. Alley Cat Pet Rescue provided helpful advice on keeping pets safe, and the Center for Disease Control shared information on staying healthy and safe while traveling.

The Philadelphia Health Department Vector Control unit and Medical Reserve Corps provided useful information on home and personal health and safety. PECO offered tips on electrical safety, and SEPTA gave advice on staying safe while riding public transit.

Interactive games and quizzes tested participants’ knowledge of “on-the-job” and “off-the-job” safety awareness and injury prevention methods. XpresSpa offered massages.

“Safety is something that all of us relate to and affects our lives in many ways every day,” said Airport CEO Mark Gale. “Our Safety Fair is a great opportunity to teach people how to stay safe at home, at work, in our activities and in taking care of our kids and pets. I want to acknowledge the Airport’s Safety unit for organizing this event that benefits everyone in a practical way.”



*Travelers participated in our Safety Fair and received a pair of safety gloves to take home.*

Philadelphia International Airport is owned and operated by the City of Philadelphia. The Airport is a self-sustaining entity that operates without the use of local tax dollars. It is one of the largest economic engines in Pennsylvania, generating an estimated \$14.4 billion in spending to the regional economy and accounting for more than 141,000 jobs.