

Health and safety statement

UBS is committed to ensuring that all staff have a working environment that protects their health, safety and well-being. Our Code of Conduct and Ethics includes a commitment to follow health and safety rules and implement best practices to ensure as safe a workplace as possible.

We have health and safety guidelines that stress the importance of having a physical infrastructure and working environment that support our staff in performing to their potential. As work patterns and employee expectations have changed, UBS has taken a proactive approach to ensure that our workspaces continue to meet the needs of our businesses, our staff, our clients and our business partners, while also meeting our legal obligations.

UBS complies with all health and safety standards and restrictions imposed by applicable laws in all the countries in which we operate. We also apply internal policies and guidelines, both globally and regionally – which may go beyond the legal health and safety requirements.

An environment without incidents or accidents is in everyone's interest. In addition to applying our own health and safety measures, we ask third parties conducting business with us or operating on our premises to consider health and safety matters too, and all vendors and contractors are required to comply with our health and safety guidelines when dealing with us.

All of our staff are expected to conduct themselves in a way that helps to ensure their own health and safety and that of their colleagues.

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Health and safety principles

- We aim to maintain a working environment that supports the general health and well-being of all staff.
- We build and maintain innovative workplaces that allow employees to work efficiently and collaboratively.
- Our agile working arrangements (and our leave and benefit arrangements) are designed to support employees' work and personal lives.
- With employees enabled to work in a flexible way, we have published a good practice guide to support the comfort, health and wellbeing of employees working from home.
- Our Global Inclusive Accessibility Standard (GIAS), describes the design principles and standards that are applied to our premises to deliver safe, frictionless and inclusive physical accessibility for all. We actively promote an open and respectful work environment.
- We strive to ensure that our working environment is as safe as possible, including addressing issues such as protection of non-smokers, radiation exposure risk assessments, etc.
- We have measures in place to mitigate potential emergencies in the workplace and while travelling on business.
- Travel and security experts, crisis management committees, first aid providers, health specialists, social counselors and other specialists are available to employees.
- UBS has a range of services and programs (for example, our employee assistance programs, social counseling and online support materials) to help employees navigate through various personal issues, including health, family care, addiction and dependency problems.
- Workplace issues can also impact employee well-being. We have appropriate routes for employees to raise any concerns, including documented grievance, complaint and whistleblowing processes.

Measures taken to ensure health and safety

- UBS provides information to employees on topical issues and initiatives.
- Our line managers help to maintain a safe and healthy work environment and UBS gives them the information and support that is relevant to their role.
- We regularly review our health and safety activities to ensure issues are effectively managed and improvements are made where necessary. Our reviews also include employee consultation (where appropriate).

Health and safety governance

Responsibility for the governance and review of health and safety sits with the Head Group Corporate Services and the Group Head Human Resources.

Day-to-day responsibility for health and safety matters is shared between Group Corporate Services and HR Reward.

The CCRC has oversight of health and safety matters.

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