Contractor safety is ultimately the responsibility of the mine operator. Whether the contractor is a overnight delivery truck driver, a contract maintenance worker, or a driller working on a highwall, it is the mine operator who needs to ensure that he is ready to fulfill the contract… safely.

Best Practices:

- Know your contractor(s).
- Verify that contractor has a training plan when required.
- Ensure contractor understands minimum requirements of MSHA, State, and company rules, regulations, and policies.
- Verify that all contractor employees have completed their new miner training, annual refresher, etc.
- Include contractors in weekly tailgate safety meetings.
- Provide adequate site specific training to contractors, tailored to the work they are to perform.
- Establish a direct contact person to interact with contractors.

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