



Organisational and Management Investigation (O&M)





O&M Factors

Conditions which:

- Contribute to other unsafe conditions
- Negatively impact human performance; or
- Negatively impact the organization's ability to proactively identify and deal with these conditions.





Why the investigation into O&M factors is important?

- Improving safety by going beyond "what" happened
- Explaining "why" an occurrence happened
- Examining organizational factors which will provide insights into safety key aspects
- Further, we need to examine an organization's ability to prevent similar occurrences in the future





O&M investigation challenges

- Scope
- Completeness
- Weak or missing links
- Potential for hindsight challenges
- ☐ Interviewing challenges
- Experience with management issues





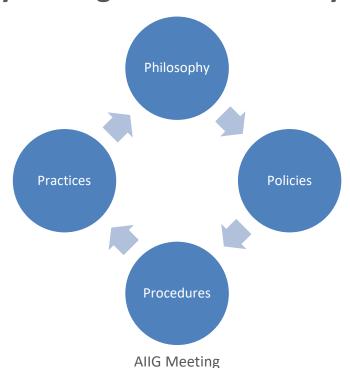
AAIS Policy

- ✓ Investigation effectiveness depends on O&M factors analysis
- ✓ The scope of the O&M investigation is determined during the initial investigation scoping and revisions during the course of investigation
- ✓ James Reasons *epidemiological* analysis model can serve the O&M investigation
- ✓ As the resources would permit, the *total system approach* maybe applied where interlinks organisation-to-organisation SMS(s) or organisation-to-SSP are identified
- ✓ O&M relevant information shall be included in the Final Reports of accident and serious incident investigations (if determined in the scoping) at least those involving commercial or large aircraft





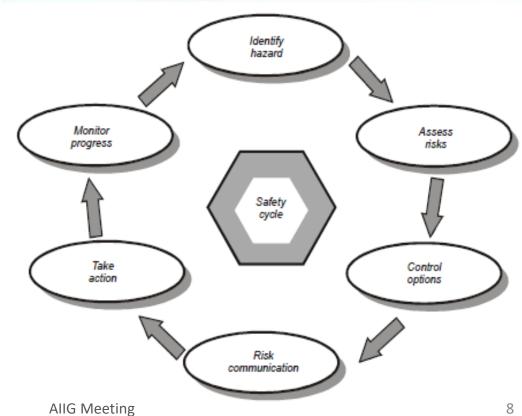
What do good safety management and safety culture look like?







Safety management cycle







Two investigation phases

- ✓ Phase 1 Information and documents to collect. Provides type
 of information that should be collected: Documentation, areas
 for interviews and things to look for in observations of actual
 operations.
- ✓ Phase 2 Starting Points: Possible Latent Conditions. Provides a non-exhaustive list of the types of latent conditions that would be expected to increase risk or reduce an organization's ability to effectively manage risk.





Five simple processes for the O&M investigation

Scoping the investigation

Determine the level of effort to be invested in investigating for O&M factors, document the decision and assist in planning the investigation

Information flow

To demonstrate the effectiveness of safety management by documenting the flow of information with respect to a specific hazard in the organization

O&M Factors Assessment Tool

To explicitly demonstrate the link between hazards (unsafe conditions) that were unmitigated or unaddressed and the unsafe O&M conditions/underlying factors identified

Safety Culture Assessment Tool

Develop a clear picture of an organization's safety culture (the organization's capability to foster safe work and effective safety management practices)

Quality Assurance Tool To ensure that a compelling argument for change has been developed and presented in the analysis





Process	Scoping Tool
Purpose	To determine the level of effort to be invested in investigating for O&M factors,
	document the decision and assist in planning the investigation.
Trigger	Completion of initial field phase and any time new information results in a review of the
	scope of the investigation.
Input(s)	Preliminary interview data
	Review of previous occurrence data
	Knowledge of operator
	Available resources for investigation
	 Initial sequence of events and underlying factors diagram (ISIM)
Outputs	Decision – description of O&M issues to be pursued.
	 Plan of action – description of next steps to investigate these issues.
Process	□ Complete scoping tool worksheet.
description	□ Review worksheet and outputs with Regional Manager or Director of Investigations.
	□ Save worksheets in occurrence workspace.





Process	Who Knew What? Analysis
Purpose	To demonstrate the effectiveness of safety management by documenting the flow of information with respect to a specific hazard in the organization.
Trigger	Hazard or risk identified that contributed to the occurrence or that presents a risk, and questions arise as to whether handling of hazard was reasonable.
Input(s)	 Identified hazards (unsafe conditions from ISIM) Safety management documentation (e.g. occurrence reports, database entries, company investigations, internal audits) Documented procedures for reporting and acting upon hazards Interview data.
Outputs	 Description of the management of the hazard, its effectiveness, its consistency with documented procedures and the decision as to whether this is indicative of a systemic problem.
Process description	 Work through decision tree to guide your thinking. Complete analysis worksheet for each identified hazard to document results. Update ISIM safety analysis as required. Save worksheets in occurrence workspace.





Process	O&M Factor Assessment Tool
Purpose	To explicitly demonstrate the link between hazards (unsafe conditions) that were unmitigated or unaddressed and the unsafe O&M conditions/underlying factors identified.
Trigger	Completion of Who Knew What? Analysis with systemic issues identified. Completion of ISIM safety analysis with O&M issues as unsafe conditions or underlying factors.
Input(s)	ISIM safety analysisWho Knew What? Analysis
Outputs	 Description of O&M factor Description of how the factor contributed in the occurrence Description of how the factor increased risk
Process description	 Complete an analysis worksheet for each identified O&M factor identified as a contributing factor in the ISIM safety analysis. Complete an analysis worksheet for any additional O&M issues identified as probable findings as to risk (i.e. ones that did not play a role in the occurrence and, as such, are not in the ISIM diagram). Update ISIM safety analysis as required. Save completed worksheets in occurrence workspace.



Process	Safety Culture Assessment Tool
Purpose	Develop a clear picture of an organization's safety culture (the organization's capability to foster safe work and effective safety management practices).
Trigger	Completion of ISIM safety analysis with indications that safety culture may be an issue.
Input(s)	 ISIM safety analysis Who Knew What? Analysis O&M Factors Assessment Tool Interview and other occurrence data.
Outputs	 Description of an organization's maturity with respect to safety management.
Process description	 Using the worksheet provided, document specific examples where organizational norms are hindering or helping the organization to manage safety effectively. Prepare a conclusion statement that encapsulates the organization's safety culture. Take the analysis to the next level. What is the implication of your conclusion with respect to the level of oversight that is required for the organization? Is this level of oversight being provided? Update ISIM safety analysis as required. Save the completed worksheets to the occurrence workspace.



Process	Quality Assurance Tool
Purpose	To ensure that a compelling argument for change has been developed and presented in the analysis.
Trigger	Draft review at any level or time (Investigator, IIC, or the AAIS management).
Input(s)	 Draft analysis (report or other safety communication). Other O&M investigation worksheets developed in the course of the investigation
Outputs	Decision to revise analysis or move to next level of review.
Process	1. Use questions in worksheet to review analysis.
description	 Determine if modifications are required or if report is ready to proceed to next level of review. Use output to review conclusions with author (if applicable).
	 Update analysis and ISIM safety analysis as required. Save worksheets to occurrence workspace.





AIS O&M investigation checklist

Organizations _{1/2}

- The SMS manual
- Latest managerial decisions
- GCAA latest audits and findings (including SMS audits)
- Training manual
- FDM reviews
- Hazards register
- Risk management (process, forms, records, and mitigation strategy assessments)
- Change in policy, procedure, equipment, etc.
- Safety data analysis





Organizations _{2/2}

- Internal audit/investigation reports and management
- Normal operations reports
- Assessment of external information
- Training feedback forms
- Safety survey format, results, and analysis.
- Internal safety investigation records
- Change management records
- Safety action group activities records
- Safety training and promotion





SSP

- Latest copy of SSP
- SSP Coordination Group records
- SMS inspectors training
- Audits scheduling (including SMS)
- Audits findings management
- Hazards register
- State-level risk management
- Safety recommendations management



Interviews

- The SMS post holders
- Operations post holder
- Training manager
- Other personnel in the organization for inferring organizational issues





Analysis questions

- Detecting the hazards and risks that were related the development of the accident.
- Hazard and risk identification.
- Risk handling practices.
- Risk management.
- The handling of safety anomalies.
- Safety management system instructions.
- The adequacy of safety training.
- The effects of performance pressures.
- The effects of safety culture.
- Learning from experience.

