

## Uneven ground, slip, trip and fall x 2

### What happened?

#### Incident 1 – Fractured leg

The IP was carrying items and walked over a short steep slope covered in long wet grass. They slipped and as a response twisted their body and leg in opposite directions with their right foot bending underneath them. The IP was taken to hospital and it was determined that the IP had a fractured leg.

#### Incident 2 – Sprained knee

IP was walking down a steep slope as they descended, they misjudged the ground level. Their foot sunk lower than expected and as a result their knee bent outwards and caused a sprain

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### What did we learn?

#### Findings Incident 1

- Incorrect PPE for the terrain
- IP not familiar with location and not in normal job scope
- Weather conditions were not favourable
- Work area poorly planned

#### Findings Incident 2

- Weather conditions not favourable
- Uneven and rugged terrain
- Moment of inattention by IP

#### Recommended Actions:

- Remind teams of slips, trips and fall risk (don't rush)
- Assess current PPE to assess suitability to the task i.e. anti-slip footwear
- Complete a risk assessment before work task begins and complete a hazard review
- Pre-plan site layout to prevent unnecessary movement on uneven terrain (check path is clear)
- Stop work and reassess risks if conditions change

