

Aaron Greer representing Cosentino's

Winner of the 2016 Comp Laude™ Award for Employer is Cosentino's Food Store, tied with Target Corporation.

In just four years, Cosentino's has revolutionized their approach to managing employee health from "Hire to Retire" through the innovative leadership of Aaron Greer, Risk and Benefit Manager.

Cosentino's began simply when family patriarch, Dante Cosentino Sr., an artist who made his living painting frescoes on the ceilings of Catholic churches, purchased a small fruit stand for his children to operate in downtown Kansas City in 1948. Today, headed by the second generation David, Donnie, Victor, Jamie, Jimmy and John Cosentino, the store has expanded to 28 grocery stores and over 3,600 employees throughout Kansas and Missouri.

Under Aaron Greer's direction, Cosentino's has experienced a 67% reduction in strain and lifting injuries. Severity, as well as number of injuries, also decreased, evidenced by a 94% reduction in costs per claim. Amongst the major projects Greer has implemented, notable is the adding of slip reducing flooring in all departments that have incurred a high number of claims due to slip and fall injuries. In addition to the upgrade in flooring, all employees in those departments have been issued slip resistant footwear at no cost to the employee.

Cosentino's financial savings are surpassed by the tangible improvement in corporate culture. They represent the future of Worker's Compensation as an industry leader on the path to improve healthcare for employees.

Aaron Greer comments, "It was a great honor to receive the award and just confirms our ownership's commitment and dedication to our valued employees well being."

