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As the Director of Safety and Risk Management for Pioneer Hi-Bred, Jim has worldwide responsibility for safety, health and environment (SHE) and risk management, including risk financing, insurance, loss control & loss prevention, industrial hygiene and claims management (workers compensation, liability, etc.). He is a member of the Enterprise Leadership Council.

Jim began his career at Pioneer in 1988 with responsibility for risk financing and insurance; subsequently became Director of Healthcare & Risk Financing and then assumed the current role of Director of Safety and Risk Management.

Prior to joining Pioneer, Jim spent 15 years in the telecommunications industry with US West Inc. He received his Bachelor of Science and Education from Wayne State College, in Wayne, Neb.; and his Master of Business Administration from the University of Nebraska, in Lincoln, Neb.

Jim is the President of the Iowa Chapter of RIMS (Risk & Insurance Management Society). He also serves on the Board of Advisors to the University of Iowa College of Public Health; the Board of Directors and Vice Chair for Farm Safety 4 Just Kids; as an Advisor to the Board of Directors for the Iowa/Illinois Safety Council; as well as is involved in several other community organizations.