NPPTL
Stakeholder Meeting

August 20, 2008

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Director, NPPTL
NIOSH / NPPTL Update

- NIOSH Director
- PPT Program Evaluation – Update
- NPPTL / PSD Activities – Update
- Future Activities
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NIOSH Acting Director

- Dr. Christine Branche,
  - Effective July 14, 2008

- Dr. Branche’s Professional Background
  - Occupational Injury & Environmental Epidemiology
  - Joined NIOSH July 2007, Principle Associate Director
  - Director of the Unintentional Injury Prevention Division,
    CDC’s National Center for Injury Prevention & Control
  - CDC Goal Team Leader in the Office of Strategy & Innovation

- Program Continuation During Transition
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NIOSH Goals for NA Review

• Conduct a series of studies to review NIOSH activities with respect to:
  — Impact of completed research in the workplace
  — Relevance of research conducted
  — Significant emerging issues
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- **NA PPT Program Recommendations:**
  - #1 Implement and Sustain a Comprehensive National Personal Protective Technology Program
  - #2 Establish PPT Research Centers of Excellence and Increase Extramural PPT Research
  - #3 Enhance Respirator Certification Process
    - Expedite Revision of Regulations
  - #4 Increase Research on Use and Usability of PPT
  - #5 Assess PPT Use and Effectiveness in the Workplace Using Life-Cycle Approach
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Program Evaluation Completed Activities:

- PPT Evidence Package to NA — Sept. 2007
- Meetings, Lab Visit, Q&As — Sept. 2007 → June 2008
  
  http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/nas/

Current & Future Activities:

- Study Report & Prepare Follow Through Action Plan
- Action Planning August through September 2008
- Action Plan Development October / November 2008
- Action Plan to Board of Scientific Councilors (BSC) → 1st Qtr 2009
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Policy & Standards Development Branch (PSD)

- PSD Branch Staff
  - 5 to 13 Since April 2007

- 42 CFR, Part 84 → Revise by Section (Modules)
  - Rulemaking Process Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM)
  - PSD Goal 2 Modules per Year

- Module Development Status
  - Modules in NPRM Review
  - 2008 Developed Modules
  - Other Module Developments
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Future Activities

- November 6, 2008
  "No Fit Test" Respirator Workshop
  External link: http://cpheo.sph.umn.edu/mcohs/
  (Registration is free, but required)
  Embassy Suites Airport, Pittsburgh PA

- November 13-14, 2008
  2008 NIOSH Direct-Reading Exposure Assessment Methods (DREAM) Workshop
  Hilton Crystal City in Washington, DC

- November / December 2008 (In Planning)
  Public Stakeholder Meeting, PAPR Concept Development

- March 2009 (In Planning)
  Public Stakeholder Meeting, NIOSH PPT Program Update
Today's Meeting

- Two Technical Concept Modules
  - Closed Circuit SCBA
  - Supplied Air Respirator

- Two Respirator Program Issues
  - CBRN APR Connector
  - NIOSH Oxygen Prohibition

Meeting Format

- Presentations & Posters
The **VISION** is to be the leading provider of quality, relevant, and timely PPT research, training, and evaluation.

The **MISSION** of the PPT cross sector program within NIOSH is to prevent work-related injury, illness and death by advancing the state of knowledge and application of personal protective technologies (PPT).