

Agenda
Combination Unit Respirator Webinar
March 31, 2015
1:00 – 3:00 EST

- 1:00 Welcome and Brief NIOSH Regulatory Overview
Chris Coffey
- 1:10 Background of NIOSH Combination Unit Respirator (CUR) Standards
Development Efforts and Summary of NIOSH Docket Comments
Frank Palya
- 1:30 Discussion of Proposed Questions for (IOM) CUR Workshop
Chris Coffey/Frank Palya

Synopsis of Proposed Questions:

What combination unit respirator technology is currently available in the U.S.? Describe the unique features of the manufactured devices and according to the RPD types included in the combination(s).

What are the primary user groups interested in using NIOSH-certified combination unit respirators? What are the anticipated hazardous atmospheres/conditions that each user group is expected to encounter or enter and how are they assessed?

What are the current regulations limiting the use of combination unit respirators by the identified user groups and how do they limit use?

What regulatory options should NIOSH consider related to developing and adopting a NIOSH certification performance for combination unit respirator?

Optional/potential follow-on topics (questions 3 and 4) may include:

- Identify potential performance standards or requirements to be used or to be developed to include the identified features in certified combination unit respirators
- Identify potential research needed to validate the performance standard or requirements
- Estimate timelines and resources needed to complete the required research

Are there other questions that should be presented at the workshop?

- 2:30 Information for Action by Stakeholders
Chris Coffey