

# NIOSH Work Group: Human Performance Laboratory Excellence – FY12 (927ZKRH-3)

## Objective

- To conduct an assessment of NIOSH / NPPTL physiology research laboratory practices and procedures.



Task	Deadline	Status
Assessment Definition	Q4 2010	Completed
Survey Design	Q1 2011	Completed
Implement Survey	Q2 2011	Completed
Final Report	Q4 2011	Completed

## Background

- In 2010, 4 of the 10 protocols deemed by the HSRB to be “greater than minimal risk” were from NPPTL
- In October 2010, NIOSH/OD requested information from NPPTL regarding typical subject safety practices on human physiology studies
- WG team was formed
- No recognized standard for assessment of physiology research laboratories
- Benchmark existing practices for human subject studies against peer organizations doing similar work involving life-safety equipment such as PPE

## Working Group Members

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## Outputs

- Benchmark survey and gaps report (completed Dec 2011)

## Outcomes

- Improve safety practices at NPPTL
- Better recognition of industry standards by NIOSH HSRB

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