

**NPPTL
Stakeholder Meeting**

August 20, 2008

**Les Boord
Director, NPPTL**

NIOSH / NPPTL Update

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

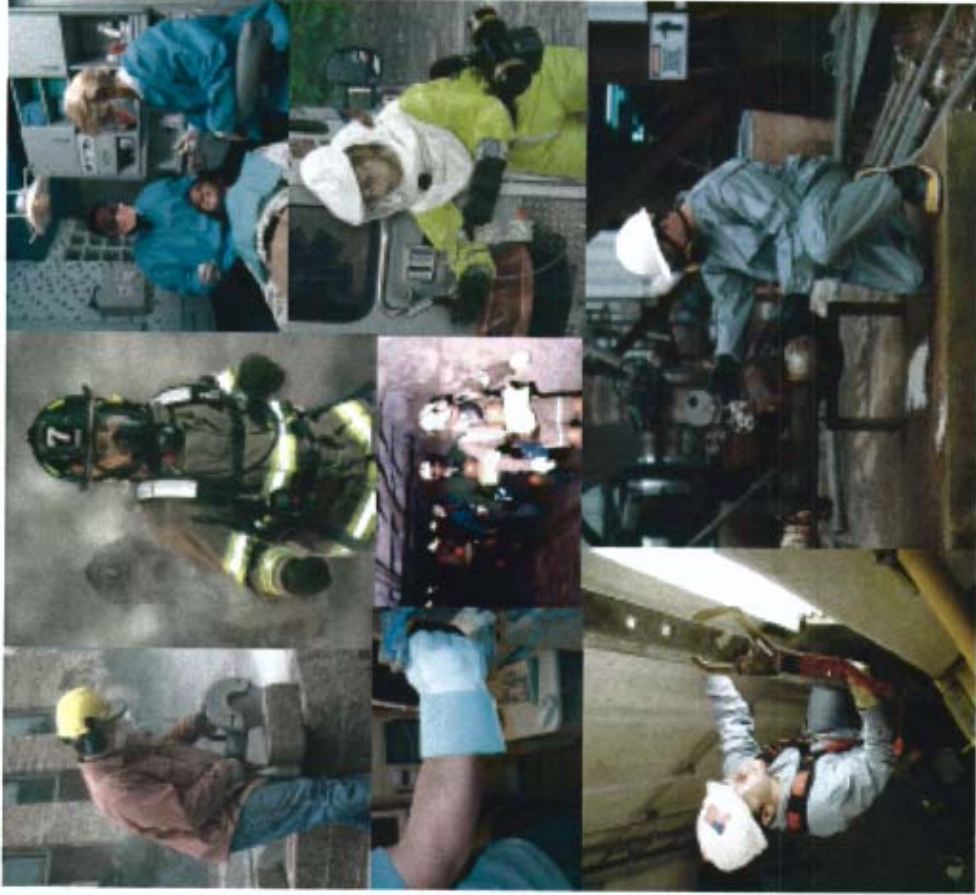
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NIOSH Acting Director

- **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**

Evidence for the National Academies' Review of the

NIOSH Personal Protective Technology Program



Presentations

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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
- Evaluation Committee Report – June 25, 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 Review by NIOSH OD → Dec. 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](#)
External link: <http://www.team-psa.com/dream2008/main.asp>
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](#)

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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

NIOSH PPT / NPPTL

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).

