

**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**

# **NIOSH / NPPTL Update**

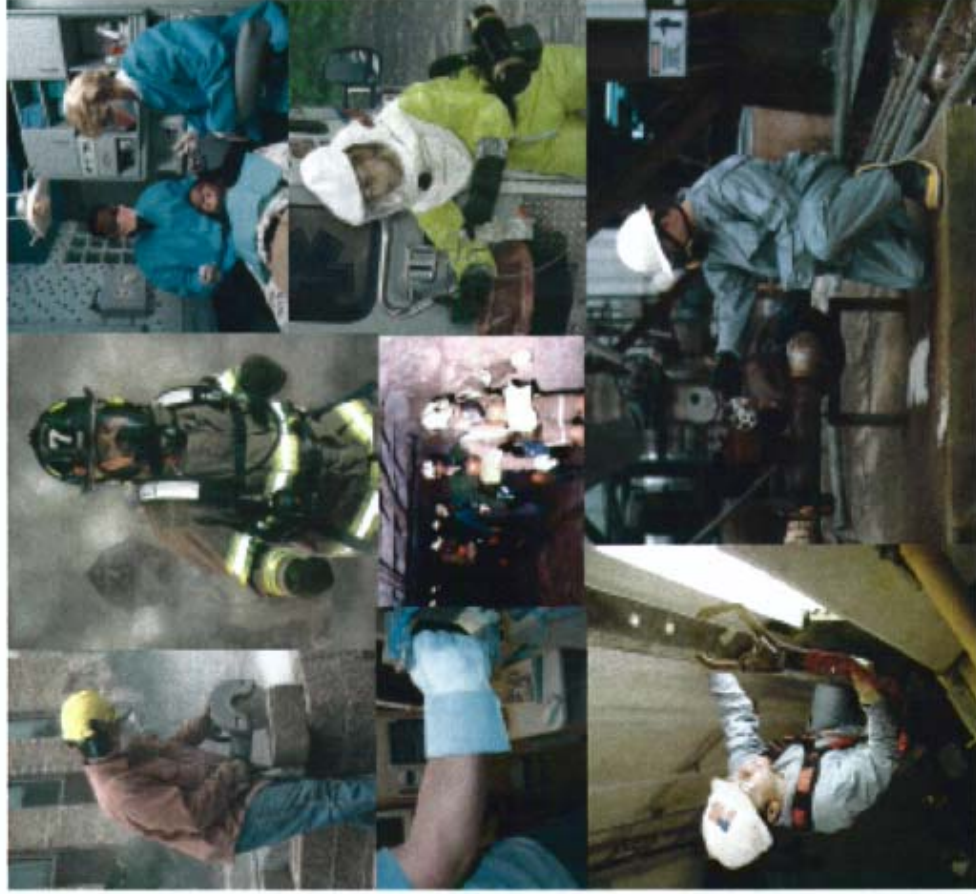
## **NIOSH Acting Director**

- **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

**CDC** Workplace  
Safety and Health

**NIOSH**

**NPPTL** Research to Practice  
through Partnerships

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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).

