

Awardee Meeting

March 7, 2006
Birmingham, Alabama

Agenda Tuesday, March 7, 2006

- 12:00 noon **Registration** Birmingham Ballroom Pre-function Area
- 1:00 p.m. **Call to Order and Welcome from our Host** Birmingham Ballroom III
- Joseph “Chip” Hughes, NIEHS**
 Judith L. King, University of Alabama at Birmingham
- 1:15 p.m. **NIEHS Update**
- Joseph “Chip” Hughes, Sharon Beard, Ted Outwater, Patricia Thompson, Jim Remington,**
 and Carolyn Mason, NIEHS
- Katrina Deployment Update
 - Katrina Supplements
 - Minimum Criteria Finalized
 - Draft B/MWTP Brochure
 - Upcoming Meetings/Activities Schedule - Restoration 2006, APHA 2006, and Brownfields 2006
 - SBIR awards
 - Updates to the DMS
 - Progress Report
 - The Carryover Process
- 2:45 p.m. **Clearinghouse Update**
- Deborah Weinstock, NIEHS Clearinghouse**
- Summary of Clearinghouse Advisory Board Meeting
 - Summary of Strategic Planning Meeting
 - Katrina Field Office
 - Future Meetings and Workshops
- 3:15 p.m. **Break**

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Concurrent Sessions

Business Official Meeting

Grants Management Issues

Carolyn Mason, NIEHS

- A Peek at the 424 R&R

Medical Forum I

Program Official Meeting

HWWT/HDPT/DOE Issues

Joseph “Chip” Hughes, **Ted Outwater**, and **Jim Remington**, NIEHS

- HWWT/HDPT/DOE Issues
- Legislative Update
- DHS Liaison Issues
- DOE Issues
- Curricula/Courses Approval and Upload
- Minimum Criteria Issues

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MWT/BMWT Issues

Sharon Beard, NIEHS

- Katrina Supplements
- Progress Report to Date
- Reporting Accomplishments

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5:00 p.m.

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Technical Workshop

March 8-9, 2006
Birmingham, Alabama

Agenda

Wednesday, March 8, 2006

- 7:30 a.m. **Breakfast and Registration** Birmingham Ballroom Pre-function Area
- 8:30 a.m. **Call to Order, Introductory Comments and Welcome from our Host** Birmingham Ballroom III
Joseph “Chip” Hughes, Worker Education & Training Program, NIEHS and
Alan Veasey, UAB Workplace Safety Training Program
- 9:00 a.m. **Overview of Katrina Deployment to Date**
Joseph “Chip” Hughes and **Jim Remington**, NIEHS
- 9:10 a.m. **Panel 1, Lessons Learned in Mississippi**
This panel will examine Mississippi as a model for implementing NIEHS WETP training following a disaster. Panelists will discuss the initial obstacles they faced and how obstacles have been overcome to provide training to federal workers and federal contractors in Mississippi.
Moderator: **Ted Outwater**, NIEHS
Panelists: **Mac Wimbish**, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 Ellen Clas, FEMA
 Terry Jackson, AshBritt
 Carol Hanson, HMTRI
 Dan Snyder, HMTRI
- 10:10 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 a.m. **Panel 2, Lessons Learned in Louisiana**
This session will look at the challenges faced in providing training to federal workers and federal contractors in Louisiana. This panel will demonstrate the differences in the way federal agencies operate within various states.
Moderator: **Jim Remington**, NIEHS
Panelists: **Skip Weisberg**, U.S. EPA
 Jennifer Hornsby-Myers, NIOSH
 Don Ellenberger, CPWR
 David L. Moore, U.S. EPA, Emergency Response Team

11:30 a.m. **Panel 3, Lessons Learned Working with Displaced Residents**

This session will explore how awardees are adapting their training for the unique needs of residents in the Gulf Coast. Panelists will talk about what they've learned in the time they've been on the ground and how to work in ever changing conditions. In addition, information will be shared regarding job training and brownfields efforts, sustainable partnerships, and other resources to consider.

Moderators: **Sharon Beard** and **Patricia Thompson**, NIEHS

Panelists: **Daisy Kathleen Curry**, J.D., U.S. EPA, Region 4

Mark Holdbrooks, OAI, Inc.

Dr. Beverly Wright, Deep South Center for Environmental Justice at Dillard University

12:30 p.m. **Lunch** Birmingham Ballroom IV

1:30 p.m. **Panel 4, Lessons Learned from Partnerships in the Field**

Panelists will discuss their experiences working in the field interacting with community based organizations and other partners on efforts such as immigrant worker issues and incident command utilization.

Moderators: **Sharon Beard**, NIEHS and **Ken Oldfield**, UAB

Panelists: **Tomas Aguilar**, UCLA-LOSH

April Sells, Poarch Band of Creek Indians

Hien Phan, Boat People SOS

2:30 p.m. **Panel 5, Working with OSHA on Disaster Response**

Panelists will discuss the best way to maintain continuity in a long-term disaster response and ways to improve interagency communications.

Moderator: **Joseph "Chip" Hughes**, NIEHS

Panelists: **Cathy Cronin**, OSHA Training Institute

John Ferris, OSHA

Ken Atha, OSHA

3:10 p.m. **Charge to Breakouts**

John Moran, NIEHS Clearinghouse

3:20 p.m. **Break**

3:30 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

NIEHS Training Support Annex/ESAP

Medical Forum H

This breakout session will review how the Worker Education and Training Program, through its ESAP, relates to the overall National Response Plan. Participants will examine the current ESAP and see how it may be improved to accommodate the broadest array of incidents to which the program would be expected to respond. It will explore how to better incorporate WETP over the long-term prior to an activation.

Facilitators: **Joseph “Chip” Hughes**, NIEHS and **Craig Slatin**, New England Consortium

Training While in Disaster Mode vs. Pre-deployment Training

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This breakout session will discuss what it means to provide training in disaster mode, for example developing shorter curricula on the ground, compared to pre-deployment training. It will examine important questions such as when is each form of training appropriate and how to know when and if to insist on moving from disaster mode to the comprehensive training awardees are used to providing.

Facilitators: **Jim Remington**, NIEHS and **Chris Trahan**, CPWR

Building Sustainable Partnerships for Disaster Response

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This breakout will discuss how to create sustainable partnerships with contractors and other organizations that will work during disaster response and also work for normal program activity.

Facilitators: **Ted Outwater**, NIEHS and **Doug Feil**, Kirkwood Community College

Job Training for Residents

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This breakout will focus on disaster specific curricula development and job training strategies for working with returning and displaced residents.

Facilitators: **Sharon Beard**, NIEHS and **Kizetta Vaughn**, CPWR

5:30 p.m.

Break for the day

6:15 p.m.

Bus Departs for Group Dinner at Jim N’ Nicks

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Thursday, March 9, 2006

- 7:30 a.m. **Breakfast** Birmingham Ballroom Pre-function Area
- 8:30 a.m. **Report Back from Breakout Sessions** Birmingham Ballroom III
Moderator: **Patricia Thompson**, NIEHS
- 9:30 a.m. **Break**
- 9:45 a.m. **Panel 6, Future Disaster Planning (All-Hazards) Panel**

The session will explore the similar response needs when addressing emergencies such as the avian flu and the response and continuing work following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, for instance the need for early hazard assessment identification, and getting the threat information to first responders in a timely way.

Moderator: **Joseph “Chip” Hughes**, NIEHS
Panelists: **Ron Snyder**, HMTRI
 Judy Reilly, FEMA
 Richard Sexton, FEMA
 Skip Weisberg, U.S. EPA
 John Ferris, OSHA
- 11:15 a.m. **Closing Remarks, Next Steps**

 Joseph “Chip” Hughes, NIEHS