



National Institute of
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Worker Education and Training Program

WETP Awardee Meeting

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Update Items

- Sequestration and Funding
- Hurricane Sandy Response
- Responder Resilience Project with SAMHSA
- Program Updates
- Progress reports
- Web Page, DMS, and Curricula Catalog Issues
- Upcoming meetings and workshops
- NIH/Grants Management Update



FY 2013 Funding

- Total reduction in NIEHS Superfund Program of 5.2% (including recission plus sequestration). Reduction in the DOE Hazmat Training Program of 8.2% for sequestration.
- Total reduction in the overall program's budget of over \$2 million.
- Reduction in program budgets came from a mixture of taking unobligated balances, reducing our program activities and making across the board reductions.
- New funds for supplements include \$1.8 million for Sandy-related training and \$365K for the responder resilience project with SAMHSA.



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Topics:

NIEHS Strategic Plan

Minority Worker Training Program Update and Highlights

Occupational Health Disparities Update

Brownfields 2013

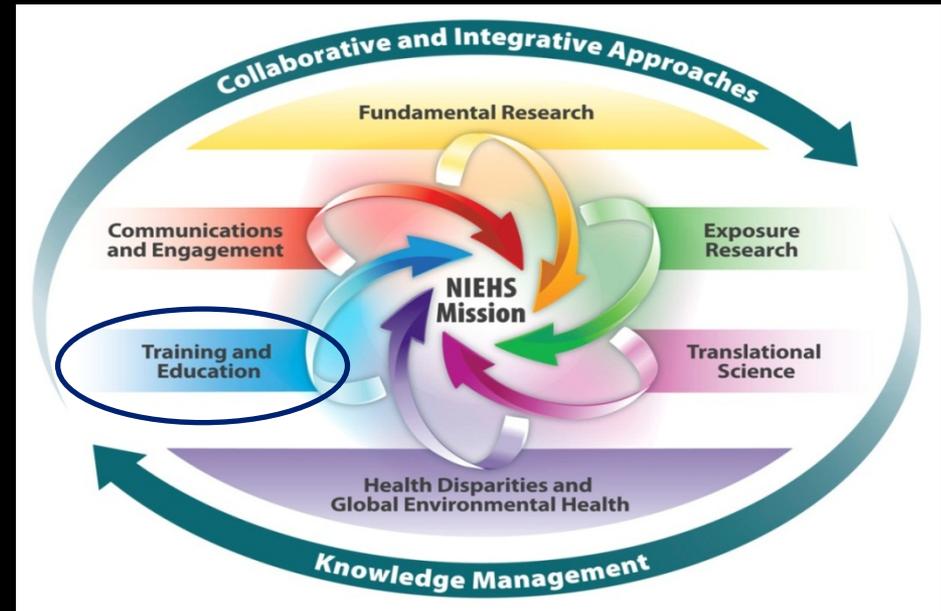
NIEHS Environmental Health Disparities/Environmental
Justice Meeting

Mission Statement

The mission of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences is to discover how the environment affects people in order to promote healthier lives.

Vision Statement

The vision of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences is to provide global leadership for innovative research that improves public health by preventing disease and disability from our environment.





NIEHS Minority Worker Training Program Update Fifteen-Year Summary of Training For Budget Period 09/01/1996-05/31/2013

Year	Students Trained	Placed in Jobs	Percentage of Students Placed in Jobs
1996-2006	3,499	2,346	67%
2007	385	241	63%
2008	317	222	70%
2009	379	285	75%
2010	531	372	70%
2011	396	291	73%
2012	366	274	75%
2013	367	223	61%
Total	6,240	4,250	68%



MWTP Training Accomplishments

**NIEHS MINORITY WORKER TRAINING PROGRAM
WORKER EDUCATION AND TRAINING AWARDS
TOTAL TRAINING (ONE YEAR)
FOR BUDGET PERIOD 08/01/2012-07/31/2013**

AWARDEE	COURSES COMPLETED	STUDENTS TRAINED	CONTACT HOURS
Western Region Universities Consortium	54	81	36,508
NJ/NY Hazardous Materials Worker Training Center	37	48	20,476
CPWR - The Center for Construction Research and Training	61	61	52,612
OAI, Inc.	61	77	25,013
Dillard University	60	100	36,144
TOTAL	273	367	170,753



Minority Workers Training Program: Success and Best Practices Report

- Purpose: To document the importance of the MWTP and illustrate the program's best practices and major successes
 - How the MWTP works: Components of the program and why is it successful (best practices)
 - Life skills and social support network
 - Holistic approach to promote capacity building.
 - Partnership development: *joint partnerships with communities, unions, universities (e.g. HBCUs)/academia and contractors/employers*
 - Sustainability - *ability to sustain itself through leveraging funds (e.g. drawing in funds from other organizations)*
 - Approaches to addressing impediments or barriers to successful program implementation
 - Evaluation component (Results of the Program): Impacts and Outcomes

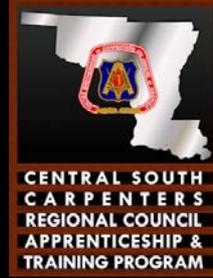
OAI, INC





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"NJ Jobs4Vets" : Jobs for Our Nation's Veterans



- Target returning U.S. military as well as the New Jersey National Guard and Reserve
- New Jersey/New York Hazardous Materials Worker Training Center at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, School of Public Health (UMDNJ–SPH)
- Twenty-five veterans receive stipends covering all costs for the five-week training program as well as the application fees to apply for NJ state licenses in asbestos and lead abatement.





Eliminating Health and Safety Disparities at Work: A Panel Discussion Background

- Conference: September 14 & 15, 2011 in Chicago, Illinois
- ~275 attended: academics, state and federal government workers, local and national non-profit leaders, community organizers, outreach workers, union members, clinicians, local, business representatives, chamber of commerce, occupational safety and health consultants



- Conference organized around 5 issue papers:
 - Effects of Social, Economic, and Labor Policies on Occupational Health Disparities
 - Discrimination, Harassment, Abuse, and Bullying in the Workplace: Contribution of Workplace Injustice to Occupational Health Disparities
 - Education and Training for Underserved Populations
 - Work Organization, Job Insecurity, and Occupational Health Disparities
 - The Health of the Low-Income Workforce: Integrating Public Health and Occupational Health Approaches
- Papers available at:
<http://www.aocedata.org/conferences/healthdisparities/whitepapers.html>



Promoting Integrated Approaches to Reducing Health Inequities Among Low-Income Workers: Applying a Social Ecological Framework

Sherry Baron, NIOSH; Sharon Beard, NIEHS; Amy K. Liebman, Migrant Clinicians Network; Letitia Davis, Mass Department of Public Health; Linda Delp, UCLA, Linda Forst, Univ. of Illinois Chicago; Laura Linnan, Univ. of North Carolina; Laura Punnett, Univ. of Mass Lowell; Laura S. Welch, Center for Construction Research and Training

CITATION: AMERICAN JOURNAL OF INDUSTRIAL MEDICINE: April 2013



There are about 39 million low income workers (31% of all workers)





Social-Ecological Framework

**Health
Departments**

**Community
-Based
Programs**



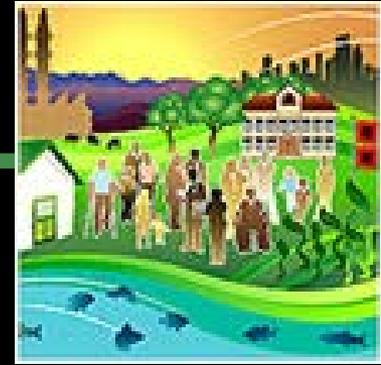
**Community
Health Centers**

McLeroy et al., 1988; Stokols, 1992; Green et al., 1996

Worksite

- NIEHS and HHS Region 4 Meeting:
Community Engagement to Support Capacity
Building for Community Based Organization
- Environmental Justice Caucus –
 - Congratulations to Dr. Mildred McClain
- Three panel presentation:
 - Protecting Future Generations Through
Effective Public Health Approaches
and Monitoring
 - Brownfields Redevelopment and Local
Hiring
 - Partnerships for Transforming Lives
Through Workforce Development





Environmental Health Disparities & Environmental Justice Meeting

- Date: July 29-31, 2013
- Location: NIEHS Research Triangle Park, NC
- Sponsors: NIEHS, EPA, NIHMD, CDC, HHS OMH and IHS
- Focus: To identify priorities for action to address environmental health disparities (EHD) and environmental justice (EJ).
- Goals: The main goals of this meeting will be to: Acknowledge and build off past meetings that have identified historical EHD & EJ issues; Prioritize research areas to ensure the most vulnerable populations' issues are addressed; Identify emerging EHD or EJ issues (new exposures that have not been considered in the past that may lead to new or additional health disparities); and, Develop a set of priorities that enables participants to set multi-year plans to address the most critical EHD and EJ issues.



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The Good News.....

- DMS New Login System Coming

After the final data and progress reports are uploaded in the Fall a new system will be implemented. This new login system will allow users to use institution or public (yahoo, google, etc) login credentials for accessing the system.



The Not So Good News.....

Sequestration

- Fact sheet: Impact of Sequestration on the National Institutes of Health

http://www.nih.gov/news/health/jun2013/nih-03.htm?utm_source=twitterfeed&utm_medium=twitter

Governmental Restrictions



NO WETP SBIR RFA This Year

- You May Apply for the Newly Reissued NIH Omnibus RFA:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-13-234.html>



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- 8,444

- 137,358

- 1,348,264

- 7,775

- 134,539

- 1,306,807



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Worker Resiliency Project

Hazmat Disaster Preparedness Training Program (HDPTP)

FY 2012

Courses: 684

Students: 9,327

Contact Hours:

94,096



Hurricane Sandy



Don Ellis and Pam Clark

Grants Management

NIH Updates



NIH Budget News

NIH Fiscal Policy for Grant Awards FY 2013

- NIH is still operating under a Continuing Resolution – **NOT-OD-13-002**
- FY 2013 Funding Levels - [NOT-OD-12-036](#)
 - Non-competing awards issued without cost of living/inflationary adjustments
- No Inflationary Increases for Future Years
- Overall effort to keep average size of grants consistent to the FY2012 levels or lower
- NIH Guide Notice issued May 8, 2013 at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-13-064.html>
- Commitments for continuation awards in FY 2014 and beyond are unknown at this time.
- **Additional Information:**
 - **Additional details on Fiscal Operations, including specific funding strategies for ICs are at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/financial/index.htm>**

NIH Fiscal Policy for Grant Awards FY 2013

- No Stipend Increases for Kirschstein – NRSA Grants
- All FY 2012 legislative mandates and priorities remain in effect.
- Salary Limits: Continues with Executive Level II.
- Many of the funding principles used in FY2012 are being continued; details on IC funding plans still being finalized.
- New Investigators: NIH will continue to support new investigators on R01 equivalent awards at success rates equivalent to that of established investigators submitting new (Type 1) R01 equivalent applications.

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ARRA

- Timely Quarterly and Closeout Reports Required;
- Accelerating Unspent ARRA Awards
 - OMB Memorandum M-11-34 Issued 9/15/2011, directs agencies to assure ARRA funds are spent by 9/30/2013 and to “revise the terms of Recovery Act discretionary grant agreements, to the extent permitted by law, to provide for reclamation of funds that remain unspent after September 30, 2013, absent a waiver issued by OMB pursuant to this memorandum.”
 - **We continue to strongly encourage grantees to accelerate expenditures for all active ARRA grants regardless of the current or projected project period end date.**

Policy Updates

Revised NIH Grants Policy Statement

Effective 10/1/2012;

- Incorporates all policy changes implemented since the 10/1/2011 version;
- Other minor edits to clarify text based on user feedback;
- A summary of the significant changes
http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps_2012/Significant_Changes_NIHGPS_2012.doc

POLICY REMINDERS

2011 Revised FCOI Regulations

- 42 CFR Part 50 Subpart F (grants and cooperative agreements)
- 45 CFR Part 94 (contracts)

Revised Final Rule published on 8-25-11

- <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-08-25/pdf/2011-21633.pdf>

Compliance Date: August 24, 2012

Audit Requirements

All NIH Grantees that expend \$500,000 or more within a year in Federal awards are subject to an audit requirement.

- Audits are due within the earlier of 30 days after receipt of the auditor's report(s) or 9 months after the end of the grantee's audit period.
- Grantees delinquent in submitting audits risk the imposition of sanctions and potential loss of Federal funds.

Progress Reports

- Failure to submit complete and timely progress reports may affect future funding to the organization!



Additional Updates

--Will be discussed at the Business Breakout Session

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