



National Institute of  
Environmental Health Sciences  
*Worker Training Program*

# WTP Awardee Meeting

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## Operational Matrix Update

- 2017 Operational Matrix is complete
- What has changed?
  - We eliminated activities that were completed
  - We added some new activities
  - Infectious Disease program has its own column
  - Added indicators to show progress of the activities

Activity	Awardees					WTP					Clearinghouse				
	HIWTP	ECMT	HDPT	ID	DOE	ECMT	HDPT	ID	DOE	ECMT	HDPT	ID	DOE	ECMT	
Goal 1: Improved Safety Culture in the Workplace															
1a. Increased worker empowerment															
Ensure worker trainer concept survives (AE)	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X						
Focus on infectious disease / biosafety training (AE)			X					X							



## Activities that were removed

- Develop pathogen safety data resources
- Develop/distribute training preparedness/pre-deployment guide to grantees for use
- Develop training modules based on the climate vulnerability assessment
- Organize/participate in DOE trainers' exchanges
- Integrate disaster resilience & mental health materials into training
- Support Good Jobs Green Jobs conference
- Document program history and common messages for NIEHS 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary



## Activities that changed focus or were reworded

- *Use HHS Strategic Plan to engage with Native Americans and Hispanics* became *Continue focus on vulnerable populations/workforce development*
- *Develop and implement communications plan* became *Develop strategic communications plan, including success stories on the value and merit of WTP*
- *Update the Strategic Plan* became *Continue using the operational matrix as the update to the strategic plan*



## New activities

- Develop/provide training module on California PSM standard
- Develop/provide safety culture training specific to DOE
- Develop interagency guidance on infection control for workers
- Develop training technology guidance for minimum criteria
- Hold briefing with CDC
- Pilot PSD and site visit
- Facilitate completion of DOE reciprocity among DOE awardees
- Begin planning for 2018 trainers exchange

## What does this mean for you?

### **HWWT Program** (*to the extent possible and that it makes sense for your organization*)

- Ensure worker trainer concept survives
- Develop/provide a training module for California PSM
- Develop/provide training on California ATD Standard
- Focus on meaningful worker involvement in all W&SH programs (VPP, 851, I2P2, etc.)
- Engage with EPA officials regarding CA PSM regulation and TSCA implementation
- Monitor regulatory activity and engage with EPA (i.e., Brownfields, TSCA etc.)
- Continued outreach to and collaboration with local/state governments and contractors
- Convene a working group on control banding to result in a white paper
- Share best practices and model training (methods, partnerships, evaluation, etc.)
- Encourage succession planning



## Environmental Career Worker Training Program

To the extent possible and that it makes sense for your organization...

- \*Focus on meaningful worker involvement in all W&SH programs (VPP, 851, I2P2, etc.)
- Continue to focus on vulnerable populations/workforce development
- \*Continued outreach to and collaboration with local/state governments and contractors
- Review Work & Health Equity curricula to see what can be used to train workers in Flint and other areas
- \*Share best practices and model training (methods, partnerships, evaluation, etc.)
- \*Encourage succession planning

\* Indicates it is also an activity reflected in the HWWT Program



## HAZMAT Disaster Preparedness Training Program

To the extent possible and that it makes sense for your organization...

- \*Ensure worker trainer concept survives
- Develop and incorporate training modules for emerging threats
- \*Focus on meaningful worker involvement in all W&SH programs (VPP, 851, I2P2, etc.)
- Continue to focus on vulnerable populations/workforce development
- \*Continued outreach to and collaboration with local/state governments and contractors
- \*Share best practices and model training (methods, partnerships, evaluation, etc.)
- \*Encourage succession planning

\* Indicates it is also an activity reflected in the HWWT Program



## Department of Energy Program

To the extent possible and that it makes sense for your organization...

- \*Ensure worker trainer concept survives
- \*Convene a working group on control banding to result in a white paper
- Develop/provide safety culture training specific to DOE
- \*Focus on meaningful worker involvement in all W&SH programs (VPP, 851, I2P2, etc.)
- Schedule DFNSB briefing on worker safety culture and strive for more integration with EFCOG
- \*Continued outreach to and collaboration with local/state governments and contractors
- \*Share best practices and model training (methods, partnerships, evaluation, etc.)
- \*Encourage succession planning

\* Indicates it is also an activity reflected in the HWWT Program



## Infectious Disease Response Program

To the extent possible and that it makes sense for your organization...

- \*Ensure worker trainer concept survives
- Focus on infectious diseases/biosafety training
- \*Develop/provide training on California ATD Standard
- \*Focus on meaningful worker involvement in all W&SH programs (VPP, 851, I2P2, etc.)
- Monitor regulatory activity and engage with OSHA (i.e., infectious disease standard)
- \*Continued outreach to and collaboration with local/state governments and contractors
- \*Share best practices and model training (methods, partnerships, evaluation, etc.)
- Pilot PSD and coordinate site visits
- \*Encourage succession planning

\* Indicates it is also an activity reflected in the HWWT Program



## Small Business Innovation Research

To the extent possible and that it makes sense for your organization...

- Develop training technology guidance for minimum criteria
- \*Share best practices and model training (methods, partnerships, evaluation, etc.)
- Use SBIR as an ambassador to progress

\* Indicates it is also an activity reflected in the HWWT Program



## Where can you find the Operational Matrix?

- The Operational Matrix will be located on the Clearinghouse web page under the *News and Resources* menu and then under the *WTP History and Assessment* heading.



## Time for a Small Group Activity!

- Please sit with others from your organization
- Review the document entitled “2017 Operational Matrix Lead Responsibilities for Awardees”
- Review the sections that apply based on the WTP programs for which your organization is funded
- Discuss which of the activities are most applicable to your organization
- Be prepared to report back which activity/activities you are currently working on or plan to work on