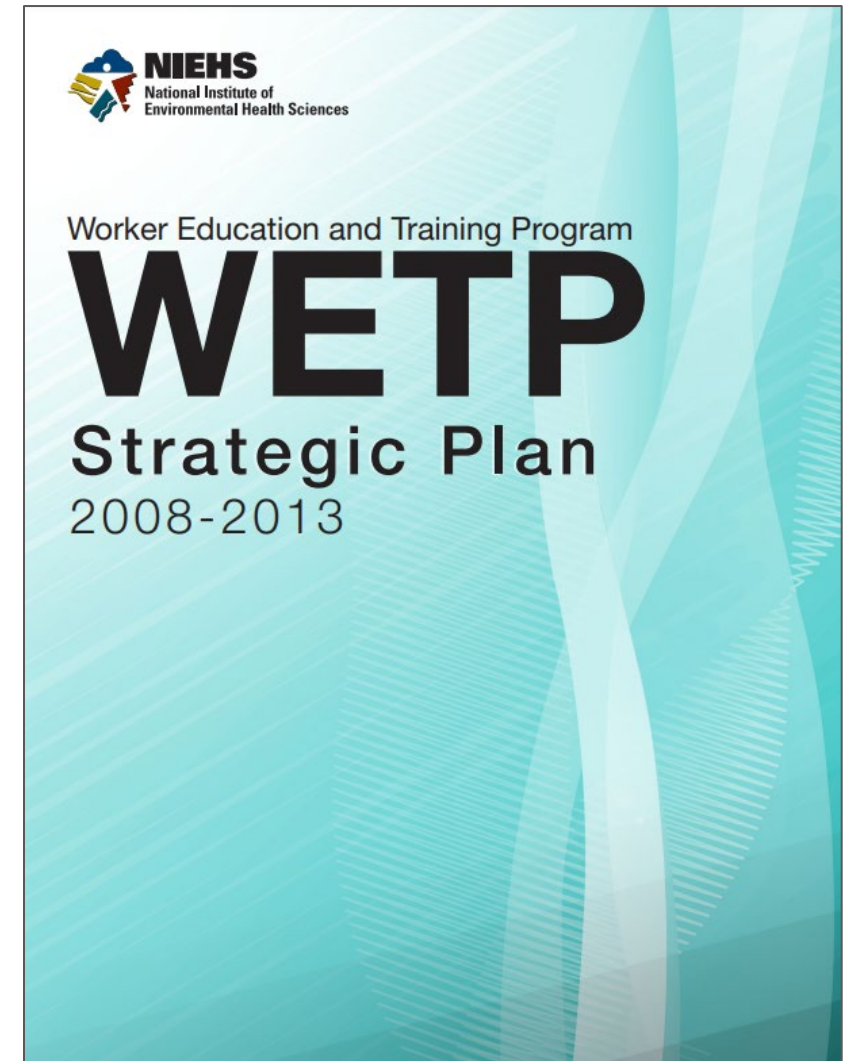


## WTP Strategic Plan Update

- **To date, WTP and Clearinghouse staff have:**
  - Met and discussed necessary updates
  - Added or renamed sections, such as: “Minimum Criteria” (new) and “Adaptability of WTP” (formerly Evolution of WTP)
  - Reviewed and updated text to reflect new goals and initiatives
- **Next steps:**
  - Gather grantee input/edits via “working group” assignments on different sections
  - Incorporate edits, review, and finalize prior to fall 2023 workshop



## 2023 Operational Matrix Now Available

Review the matrix for activities specific to Awardees, WTP, and the Clearinghouse

- 2023 activities in **red**
- 2024 activities in **green**
- 2025 activities in **blue**

	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Activity	Awardees			WTP			Clearinghouse		
Goal 1: Improved Safety Culture in the Workplace									
1a. Increased worker empowerment									
Train workers on worker (labor) rights, including wage and hour; particularly in Recovery Centers and ECWTP; explore metrics to include in progress reports under trainer development	A	AE		*	*	*			
Participate in DOE Labor Training Workgroup	AE	AE	AE	*	*	*	*	*	*
Increase diversity and inclusion training in programs; discuss DEIA during workshops and other meetings; explore metrics to include this in progress reports	A	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE	*	*	*
1b. Trained workers who can identify workplace hazards									
Continue to develop and disseminate information on infectious diseases	AE			AE			AE		
1c.Trained workers who understand how to take action									
Train workers and employers on the importance of meaningful worker involvement in safety and health programs	AE	AE	AE						
Train workers to advocate for protections from the highest level of the hierarchy of controls, including at DOE	A	AE	AE	*	*	*			
Encourage the use of apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship models	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE	*	*	*
Develop/update materials around climate related disasters such as wildfires, floods, tornadoes	*	*	*	*	*	*	AE	AE	AE
1d. Safer company practices and policies									
Promote Recovery Friendly Workplace report and other resources	*			*			AE	AE	
Integrate opioids, substance use disorders (SUD) and other curricula/resources into a focus on mental health	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	AE	AE
Advocate for diversity and inclusion training for managers and supervisors for all programs	A	AE	AE	*	*	*	*	*	*
Encourage employers to implement protections at the highest level of the hierarchy of controls for all programs	AE	AE	AE	*	*	*	*	*	*
Goal 2: Reduced Morbidity and Mortality									
2a. Improved policies and regulations/ Improved enforcement of health and safety practice/policy/regulation									
Update and simplify PSD module; emphasize risk assessment; integrate emerging infectious diseases/ threats	*			*			AE		
Bring an occupational health disparities lens to all safety and health training activities in all programs	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE
Develop materials and provide training related to COVID-19 and all infectious diseases	AE			*			AE		

## Sharing Info & Materials with Trainers

- How do you (grantee PIs) share information with trainers?
- How do you share Clearinghouse materials with trainers?
- How do you make trainers aware of new/ updated Clearinghouse materials?



## Want to Learn More Clearinghouse Materials & Resources?

- Stop by the Clearinghouse exhibitor table this week!
- Encourage PIs, program coordinators, and trainers to come learn about various resources available.
- Be on the look out for our team at the TRX registration desk or the Clearinghouse exhibitor table.



**Deborah**



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**Joy**



**Allison**



**Kenda**



**Meredith**



**Maura**


## Onboarding Materials for New Grantee Staff and Trainers

- You asked, we listened!
- During the fall 2022 workshop, several grantees mentioned the need for materials to share with new grantee staff and trainers about WTP and the Clearinghouse.
- Be sure to share the recording of Mitchel Rosen's presentation: [Looking Back, Looking Forward: How Did We Get Here and Where are We Going?](#)
- Currently working on “onboarding” slides to share more info about WTP and the Clearinghouse (e.g., history, mission, training resources, etc.)
- Potentially upload “onboarding” recordings on the DMS for PIs to share with new staff and trainers



## New Materials and Resources

- WTP Overview Flyer
- Respiratory Infections: An Overview for Workers and Employers
- History of Evaluation and Future Directions for WTP
- ECWTP Success Story: Historically Black Colleges and Universities Consortium
- Urban Flooding and Worker Health Effects Report
- Urban Flooding Fact Sheet



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Worker Training Program

### NIEHS Worker Training Program

**Program Overview**


- The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) Worker Training Program (WTP) provides awards to organizations to develop model safety and health training programs for workers involved in handling hazardous materials or in responding to emergency releases of hazardous materials.
- Since 1987, WTP has developed a strong network of nonprofit organizations that deliver high-quality, peer-reviewed safety and health curriculum to hazardous waste workers and emergency responders in every region of the country. These courses have established national benchmarks for quality worker safety training, including a strong emphasis on peer instructors and hands-on training.
- More than 4.6 million workers across the United States have received WTP-supported safety and health training.

**WTP Program Areas**

- Hazardous Waste Worker Training Program (HWWTP)** – This program provides training for workers who are or may be engaged in activities related to hazardous waste response.
- NIEHS/Department of Energy (DOE) Nuclear Worker Training Program (NWTWP)** – This program provides training for workers involved in environmental restoration, waste treatment, and emergency response.
- Environmental Career Worker Training Program (ECWTP)\*** – This program provides training to increase the number of disadvantaged and underrepresented minority workers in the hazardous waste industry, including safety, health, and emergency response training.
- HAZMAT Disaster Preparedness Training Program (HDPTP)** – This program provides specific training to prepare workers to respond to natural disasters and mass destruction.
- Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) E-Learning for HAZMAT** – This program provides e-learning products that support health and safety training of hazardous waste workers.

**AWARDEES**


- Alabama Fire College Workplace Safety Training
- Atlantic Center for Occupational Health and Safety
- Community College Consortium for Health and Safety



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### URBAN FLOODING: Hazards and Tips for Prevention

*This fact sheet is intended for workers, homeowners, and business owners impacted by flooding in urban areas.*



Flooding in urban areas has become more common due to the rising number of hurricanes and other extreme weather events. These flooding events are linked to high rates of rainfall that overwhelm urban systems' capacity for excess water.

Flooding events can be extremely dangerous, especially fast-moving water that rapidly fills streets, homes, and buildings before people can safely evacuate. Some urban communities experience repeated flooding events which can be stressful for homeowners due to the financial strain, emotional stress, and hardships of temporarily living in a damaged home.

Cleanup and repairs after flooding can expose people to a variety of hazards, all of which can be avoided. This fact sheet provides some tips to help workers and homeowners protect themselves during or after urban flooding events.

**What should I be aware of during or after a flood?**


Falling, stepping on sharp objects, and using chainsaws. **Broken injuries, and lacerations** may be caused by falling debris from roofs, working on ladders, or improper use of equipment.

Shock from live electrical wires. The burns and damage from electricity can be severe and even death.

Contaminated air when using gas powered equipment indoors, such as power generators. Carbon monoxide poisoning can lead to serious medical complications.


Contaminated floodwater. Sewage backups can contaminate floodwater. This water may contact open wounds, be swallowed accidentally, causing vomiting or diarrhea.

Respiratory health issues like asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. Mold growth on walls and furniture in flooded areas can lead to mold growth on walls and furniture in flooded areas. Gasoline, oil, or industrial toxins can cause skin irritation or other health problems.



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### Respiratory Infection: An Overview for Workers and Employers

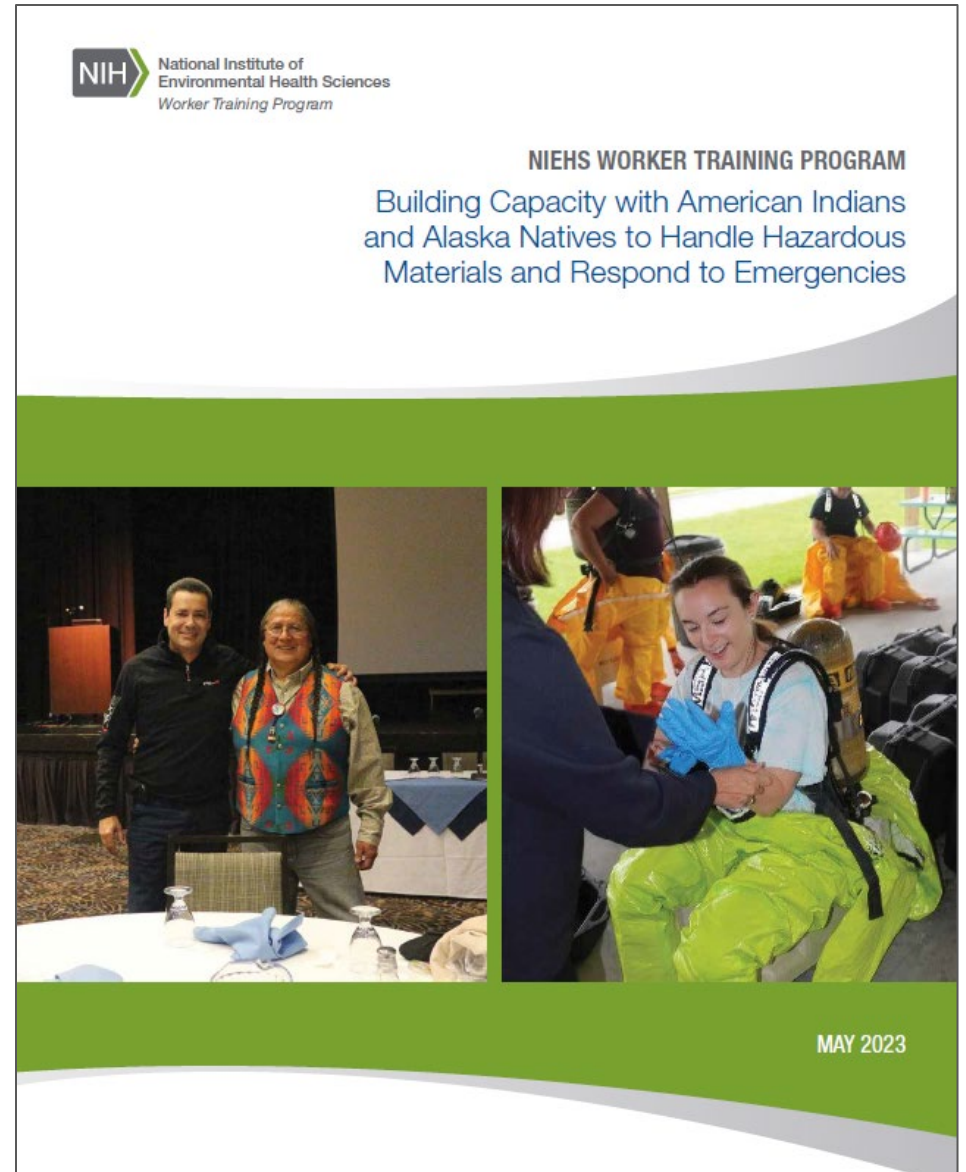


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## Materials In Progress (Coming Soon!)

- Building Capacity with American Indian and Alaska Natives to Handle Hazardous Materials and Respond to Emergencies (May 2023)
- SBIR E-Learning for HazMat Program Fact Sheet (May 2023)
- New design for weekly Newsbrief (coming in summer 2023)
- DOE Annual Report
- Recovery Friendly Workplace Landscape Analysis



## Upcoming Events

- **AIHce (AIHA):** May 22-25, 2023
- **Brownfields 2023:** Aug. 8-11, 2023
- **34<sup>th</sup> Annual Continuing Challenge HAZMAT Workshop:** Sept. 5-8, 2023
- **AEA Evaluation 2023:** Oct. 9-14, 2023
- **WTP Fall 2023 Awardee Mtg and Workshop:** Oct. 17-19, 2023





## Upcoming Events

- **National Safety Council:** Oct. 23-25, 2023
- **National Healthcare Coalition Preparedness:** Nov. 28-30, 2023
- **Work, Stress, Health:** Nov. 8-11, 2023
- **APHA Annual Meeting and Expo:** Nov. 12-15, 2023
- **National COSH:** TBD (likely Dec.)
- **HBCU Climate Change Conference:** TBD



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