



◆ H1N1 Influenza - Agency News and Updates:

The Office of the Chief Health and Medical Officer (OCHMO) continues to monitor the 2009 H1N1 influenza situation and its potential impact on employee health and business operations. Several updates on H1N1 have been published and sent to the NASA workforce; these updates can be found on the [OH Website](#). OCHMO is also working on obtaining H1N1 influenza vaccine for healthcare providers and childcare workers at NASA Centers. Additionally, each Center is working with their state health department to obtain a supply of H1N1 vaccine. The Office of Protective Services is heading the Agency Pandemic Working Group with membership from a number of other organizations. Dr. Vince Michaud is representing OCHMO on this team. An Agency Pandemic Plan is being developed by this group addressing key issues. From the [NASA OH Homepage](#) a series of past [H1N1 presentations](#) and NASA's [Pandemic Plan](#) can be found.

◆ Mayo Clinic [EmbodyHealth 2009](#):

The engagement data reflects employee participation including JSC's (4,988 out of 7,097).

7,097 Total Health Assessments completed

2,016 Civil Service Employees

4,742 Contract Employees

339 Other, Spouse, Children

Our cohort numbers are looking better than last year, we are up to 553. However, to obtain a cohort analysis we would need 1,500 returning employees. To keep abreast of your Center's health profile and engagement data visit the [Mayo Clinic Report Suite](#). Contact [Mae Hafizi](#) for the user name and password.

◆ [2010 HealthierYou Campaign Components](#): In the coming year, the 2010 HealthierYou will continue to promote the same message of Personal Accountability for Health and Safety by enlisting the same variety of tools: 1) For a HealthierYou Quarterly E-newsletter, will introduce one EmbodyHealth feature and one health challenge per each of the four quarters, 2) HealthierYou Calendar will address self-management of chronic illnesses, 3) Mayo Clinic EmbodyHealth hard copy Newsletters serve as credible print education material. 4) Influenza Vaccination Drive, will return as the longstanding component of the Agency's wellness efforts, and 5) Mayo Clinic EmbodyHealth, will also return as the Agency's online e-health package for the purpose of health assessment and promotion.



◆ [EHRIS Project Update](#): The EHRIS roll out has been delayed pending resolution of several IT security issues and a final decision regarding the hosting location. During this delay, the [EHRIS](#) Project Implementation Team has continued to work on building Medical Surveillance Groups that include Center-specific requirements. Industrial Hygiene configuration requirements for LaRC, GRC, and WFF are ongoing. A revised rollout schedule will be provided after final resolution of the security issues. An Agency EHRIS Records Management (RM)

Plan is being developed with support from the KSC Records Manager and the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). We have been working with the KSC staff to develop a comprehensive medical and EH records management plan, work instructions, and file inventories. The KSC documents will be shared with you as templates for development of your Medical and EH record management documents.

◆ 2010 NASA OH Meeting to be Held in San Antonio Texas:

The 2010 NASA OH Meeting will be held in San Antonio, TX June 7 - 11, 2010, and will be held [Hotel Contessa](#). We encourage all NASA OH staff to plan and budget to attend the annual Meeting. This is the only meeting dedicated exclusively to NASA OH Staff.



◆ 2009 NASA OH Meeting Continuing Education Update:

Attendees who completed the required forms should be receiving their attendance certificate from the University of South Florida (USF) in the next couple of weeks. If you do not receive please contact [Gail Bantugan](#).

◆ Dr. John Howard Returns to Lead NIOSH:

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Kathleen Sebelius announced the selection of John Howard, M.D., as the new director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), effective immediately.



◆ [NASA OH Best Practices Goes Live](#): We are pleased to announce the addition of a [Best Practices webpage](#) to the NASA OH Website. The Best Practices page provides a means for Centers to showcase and share their programs with their colleagues in the Agency. This includes all disciplines in the NASA OH Program. We encourage you to submit your program for posting on the NASA OH Website.

◆ Environmental Health (EH) Training in Emergency Response Course Coming to KSC:

The Agency OH Office is pleased to announce that in coordination with the CDC and KSC we are offering an [EH Training in Emergency Response Course](#). The course is scheduled for November 16 - 19 at KSC and is open to all NASA Center EH personnel at no registration cost. Regardless of the emergency Center EH Staff will play a vital role in protecting people's health. This course is designed to better prepare EH Staff to respond to a wide range of Emergencies.

◆ NASA OH Center Review Calendar:

- October 27 - 30, Goddard Space Flight Center

◆ Upcoming Occupational Health ViTS:

- Fitness Center - October 6, 11:00-12:00 EDT
- Environmental Health - October 14, 11:00-12:00 EDT
- EHRIS - October 29, 11:30-12:30 EDT

NASA OH Newsletter is published by the NASA OH Support Office

Send information, comments or questions to:

◆ E-mail - Bart.D.Geyer@nasa.gov ◆ Telephone - 321-867-3473

Find OH Monthly on the Internet at www.ohp.nasa.gov/newsletter/current.pdf