

**Consortium of Occupational State-based Surveillance (COSS) and  
Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE) Workgroup Meeting**

January 12-13, 2010  
Fairmont Newport Beach, CA

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**Tuesday, January 12**

**COSS Meeting**

**Update on State Based Surveillance PAR (*Linda Frederick*)**

Applicants were notified of scores in December. The next step for NIOSH is to finalize summary statements which will be posted by Jan 20<sup>th</sup>. NIOSH targeted regions 3, 4, and 8 and regions 4 and 8 for pesticides. Applicants will be given a priority score, the secondary review council will meet in late February/early March then funding notifications will be sent out in March. **Note:** An indication that your application will be funded is that you will be asked to forward your 'Just in Time' documents (IRB, etc).

If you are not funded, the application is still active for a period of 1 year and still may get funded theoretically. States may re-apply if the \$5.5 million is not exhausted. If NIOSH funding has been exhausted, Linda will send out a notification.

***Action Item***

1. If an applicant is asked for their just in time documents, notify Erin Simms who will let other states know.

**Surveillance Program Update (*Allison DeVries, B. Raudabauth and Yvonne Boudreau*)**

The new surveillance website was initiated in response to states that wanted a way to share information. NIOSH has created a centralized, searchable library of state publications. Documents will be archived internally, but the public interface will point outwards meaning the user will be directed from the surveillance website to the original destination of a document (ie-state website) upon clicking on a document link.

States will be sent an RSS feed to be able to update information related to a document already sent to NIOSH or enter information for a new document. The RSS feed asks for information such as: title, description, publication date, NORA sector, etc.

***Action Item***

2. Please send NIOSH your feedback on the CD you received at the meeting. Contact Allison DeVries ([allison.devries@cdc.hhs.gov](mailto:allison.devries@cdc.hhs.gov)) if you did not receive the CD.

Max Kiefer from the NIOSH Denver regional office is the NIOSH liason to Karen White's office of state and local support.