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Building occupational health surveillance and research capacity at the state and regional levels...

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OBJECTIVES

- Provide epidemiology and program planning tools for establishing Occupational Health (OH) surveillance capacity
- Build OH epidemiology surveillance and research capacity on work-related injuries and illnesses at both the state and southeast region levels
- Promote multi-state scientific research collaborations among occupational epidemiologists, public health departments, community partners, worker organizations, NIOSH, and academic colleagues in the southeast region
- Develop common priorities for development of occupational risk assessment, applied epidemiology, worksite interventions, and occupational health practice

ACTIVITIES

- Establish southeast regional partnerships and collaborations among state health departments, academic partners, NIOSH-funded agricultural centers and ERCs, agencies, organizations, and other stakeholders
- Develop occupational injury and illness research hypotheses
- Establish southeastern occupational injury and illness surveillance
- · Optimize state and southeast regional OH surveillance capacity
- Translate southeastern occupational injury and illness research into public health action and planning
- Publish research findings and provide online OH best practice resources

BENEFITS TO STATES

- Establish strategic relationships
- Obtain user-friendly tools to perform basic occupational surveillance activities
- Learn to develop interventions and inform policy change
- Address occupational health issues through collaboration with new partners
- Learn about grant funding opportunities, travel & training resources, meeting announcements, and occupational health intern programs
- Obtain on-site mentoring on OH program development
- Obtain outreach and educational materials from NIOSH's Surveillance e-Clearinghouse



