

To: General Plenary Session Nominees

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As I will explain while giving you each this document, the workshop committee has met and nominated you to serve as one of the 7 panelists for the closing plenary. Given your historical willingness to contribute, we will assume you are accepting this nomination unless we hear to the contrary. Thanks!

I will be the moderator describing the purpose of the plenary, introducing each of you and raising the below questions. We would like for you to respond to these specific areas as well as provide any other feedback you believe the group would benefit from hearing.

Here is an outline of my PowerPoint presentation as it stands now subject to revision:

Theme: Next steps in developing a NIEHS-OSHA/OTE collaborative interaction to advance the “state-of-the-art” in worker training.

NIEHS/OSHA Collaboration

1. Basis in common interests & activities
2. Basis in common audiences

This session should identify most important areas for collaborative activity.

NIEHS/OSHA Next Steps

It should be guided by your collective advice on the most important areas for collaborative activity.

I have a series of questions for response and comment by the panelists and group:

1. What would be the most important possible collaborative efforts for advancement of Advanced Training Technology approaches?
2. Would the development of joint consensus guidance document be useful?
3. Is there merit in updating the “Minimum Criteria Guidance” (or .120 Appendix E)?
 - a. If so, should ATT be included?
 - b. If so, would a joint workshop serve that purpose?

4. Are there sub-group entities within each grants program for which collaborative efforts would be useful?
5. Is there value in a focused joint collaborative effort specifically addressing employer's training needs?
6. Is there value in pursuing a joint collaborative effort to enhance and extend training opportunities for minority worker populations?
7. Can we identify specific strengths unique to each of the training grant programs that can be the basis upon which a joint mentoring program might be undertaken?
8. What suggestions do each of the panelists have for advancing collaborative efforts between the OSHA/OTE and NIEHS Programs and grantees?
9. What suggestions do you participants have?