Planning for the NORA 2016 Evaluation

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Purpose

Assess the investment, approach and impact of NORA₂₀₀₆₋₂₀₁₆

 Collect input from different stakeholder groups as to the strengths and weaknesses of NORA₂₀₀₆₋₂₀₁₆, including general strategic approach and tactical execution of the approach

 Recognizing that NORA₁₉₉₆₋₂₀₀₆ and NORA₂₀₀₆₋₂₀₁₆ had different origins and responded to different challenges, to compare the strengths, weaknesses, and impacts of the 2 decades.

Scope

- Big picture including both Intramural and Extramural activities
- All NORA-funded activities
- R2p
- Impact
- Designed to evaluate leveraging of NORA funds, resources, information, outputs, etc.
- Designed to answer questions:
 - What did we do in NORA₂₀₀₆₋₂₀₁₆?
 - How well did we do it?
 - What was the impact?

Audiences

- Funding agencies 'the people who give us money'
- Stakeholder groups Councils; professional, trade and labor associations, employers and employees
- NIOSH intramural and extramural research community
- Policy making groups regulatory groups, advisory boards, think tanks
- Other occupational safety and health organizations and agencies
- Thought leaders

Products

• Final printed reports (comprehensive)

Electronic information for easy download and quick messaging

Bibliometrics of the second decade of NORA

• Short pieces that may be group or focus area-specific

• Stories, aural histories, and other evidence of impact

Timeline

•	April	- Jul	ly 20	13
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 Present plan to internal and external stakeholders and request input

• Aug – Sept 2013

 Finalize data collection plans (including whether OMB clearance)

Oct 2013 – Sept2014

Data collection

• Oct 2014 – Dec 2014

Data analysis

• April 30, 2015

Final report delivered for review

• May 2015 – April 2016

Prepare final products described

• April 30, 2016

 Kick-off third decade, Symposium in May or June

Evaluation Framework

Domain	Level	General Evaluation Questions	
Sector Councils	Process	What were the activities of the Sector Councils?	
	Effectiveness Efficiency	How effective were Sector Councils?	
	Impact	What was the impact of the Sector Councils?	
Partnerships	Process	What were the partnership activities involved in advancing NORA goals?	
	Effectiveness Efficiency	How effective were the partnerships in advancing NORA goals?	
	Impact	What was the impact of using partnerships to advance NORA goals?	
Research	Process	What were the NIOSH and Other Research Activities related to NORA goals?	
	Effectiveness	To what degree did NIOSH research activities align with NORA	
	Efficiency	goals?	
	Impact	What was the impact of the research activities?	

Concurrent evaluation of the efficiency and effectiveness of NORA management/coordination

Vetting of Evaluation Plan	Timeline
• NIOSH LT	April and July Update
 NORA Sector Management 	June
 NORA Partnerships Public Meeting 	June
NORA Cross Sector Management	July
• NIOSH BSC	September

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Questions?



