



# NIOSH Program Update

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**Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health, 141st Meeting**

Virtual

August 18 & 19, 2021

# Contracts, Staffing

- Hired one health physicist due to retirement
- Another health physicist will be retiring this month so we will begin the recruitment and hiring process later this year

# Workshops, Town Halls, Outreach

- **Since April 2021**
  - None finalized at this point
- **Upcoming outreach, workshops**
  - None finalized at this point

# Record Requests to Department of Energy

- **160** outstanding
- **16** more than 60 days

# Case status report (current as of August 9, 2021)

- **53,392** cases to NIOSH from DOL
- **51,653** returned to DOL
  - **772** at NIOSH for DR
  - **967** administratively closed
- **46,397** submitted DOL with DR
  - **1,689** pulled from DR by DOL
  - **3,567** pulled for Special Exposure Cohort (SEC)

# Probably of Causation Summary

- **46,397\*** DRs sent for final adjudication
  - **12,564** greater than 50 percent
  - **33,824** less than 50 percent

\*as of 8/09/2021

# Active Cases

- **772\*** active at NIOSH for DR
  - **578** in the DR process
  - **91** initial draft DR reports with claimants
  - **103** cases preparing for DR

\*as of 8/09/2021

# IT Modernization

- DOL continues to forward cases to us for dose reconstruction
- DOE continues to collect personal dosimetry for cases and send that to us
- ORAU continues to complete dose reconstructions for cases already received
- The Dose Reconstruction production and approval process is manual
  - Focusing on terminal cases
- Site research database access is extremely limited. Once DCAS has access, so will the Advisory Board and SCA.