



### ◆ NASA OH Conference Coming to Historic

**Charleston:** The NASA OH Conference is just around the corner; at press time over 65 personnel had registered. The OH conference is dedicated solely to discussing NASA OH issues and programs and brings together professionals from all OH disciplines and at 14 NASA Centers. This year's timely theme "*Occupational Health Response to Catastrophic Events: Disaster Preparedness for a Healthier NASA*" is designed to ensure that our OH programs are well prepared to handle any type of disaster whether it be a pandemic threat, natural disaster, or a weapons of mass destruction threat. The meeting will be held at the beautiful [Francis Marion Hotel](#). If you are planning to attend it is very important that 1) you register online at the main [OH Conference](#) site and 2) make your own hotel reservations. Less than a month remains to ensure you receive the government rate (\$89.00/day plus tax) at the hotel. Call 843-722-0600 or 877-756-2121 no later than Wednesday, June 21, 2006, and identify yourself as an attendee at the NASA Occupational Health Conference to guarantee the government rate. Come join your NASA OH colleagues at the [Francis Marion Hotel](#) in Charleston!

◆ **HealthierYou Update:** Sixty copies of "The Mayo Clinic Plan: 10 Essential Steps to a Better Body & Healthier Life" have been purchased for distribution to the clinics and fitness center coordinators. Our subscription to the Mayo Clinic HealthQuest Newsletters have been renewed for an additional two years. The newsletter will bear the HealthierYou logo on the masthead. The content of the HealthierYou 2007 calendar has been developed. We extend our appreciation to the planning committee for their review and comments.



◆ **Recognizing a New Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIHs):** Less than 6 months after completing his MPH, Marvin Bunting from NASA Wallops has successfully completed his CIH exam. Congratulations to Marvin on a great professional achievement!



### ◆ Electronic Health Record System (EHRS)

**Update:** The EHRS Project Team recently expanded. Gregg Bendrick, MD (DFRC) agreed to participate as the team's Physician Consultant and assist in matters demanding the review and comment from an active occupational health physician. With regard to Information Technology security issues, the EHRS Project Team is fortunate to have Diana Kniffin and Carol Taylor (KSC IT Security) on board, to work this very important aspect of the project. The EHRS Project continues to benefit from Indian Health Service's EHR experience and guidance, and two members of the NASA EHRS Project Team attended week of training in Albuquerque, NM receiving, "EHR CAC & Implementation Team (Basic Set Up)" instruction. This IHS EHR training is for facilities that have Resource and Patient Management System (RPMS) running and are about to set up the EHR Graphical User Interface. Also, the EHRS Project is excited about presenting a project briefing to the NASA CIO Board during their teleconference on Tuesday, June 6 at 12:00 noon EST. As a reminder, please visit the [EHRS webpage](#) for more information and expect to learn more about the EHRS Project in the very near future!



◆ **NASA IHs Meet in Chicago:** On May 15, **over 30 NASA IH staff** from 9 of the NASA Centers gathered in Chicago as part of the American Industrial Hygiene Conference and Exposition.



The meeting featured an agency presentation, recognition of IH staff (Kevin Oliver/SSC and Alan Rovira/MAF), Center presentations, and [reception](#). The evening was a great time for NASA IHs to meet and network with IH staff from across the agency while attending the premier national IH conference.



### ◆ Laser Course Coming to West Coast NASA

**Centers:** The agency office has tentatively scheduled a Laser Safety Course at Ames (9/11-12) and (9/13-9/14) at JPL. If you have any interest in attending please contact [Kurt Geber](#) in the Agency OH Support Office.



### ◆ NASA OH Center Review Calendar:

- June 12-16 – Glenn Research Center
- ◆ **Upcoming Occupational Health ViTS:**
  - Health Promotion ViTS – June 8, 11:00-12:30 PM EDT
  - Fitness Facility ViTS – June 13, 3:30-5:00 PM EDT
  - Health Physics ViTS – June 21, 12:30-1:30 PM EDT
  - EH ViTS – June 26, 12:30-1:30 PM EDT

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