



◆ Stennis Fitness Program Coordinator Uses AED to Save a Life!

Dr. Scott Burks, fitness program coordinator for the [Wellness Center](#) at Stennis Space Center (SSC), received a Frontline Award July 31, from SSC Deputy Director Gene Goldman for his quick thinking and life-saving efforts in providing critical emergency aid to an SSC employee through the use of AED and CPR on July 5. The award is given by the office of SSC's Center Director to employees who demonstrate selfless commitment to protecting and preserving human life while maintaining personal safety and the safety of others. Scott relates how the employee was talking to him and then went down. He stated "everything was right there, the AED was 5-10' away." Scott then instructed a coworker to call 9-1-1. After determining no breath or pulse, Scott used the AED which indicated defibrillation was needed. The patient responded after defibrillation and a few rescue breaths by Scott. The SSC employee, who was transported to SSC's medical clinic and to a local hospital, is back to work and is using the wellness center again. AEDs have been a requirement in NASA fitness centers for many years.



◆ Mayo Clinic [EmbodyHealth](#):

Registrant type	Completed HRA
Civil Servant	1,195
Contractor	73
Other	< 50
Spouse, dependent, partner	< 50
Total Completed HRAs	1,293



Mayo Clinic EmbodyHealth web portal and its companion HRA were obtained on a 1-year trial based on the collective request of the OH community. Unless the numbers are improved, at least 2,250 completed HRAs, we will not be able to get the analysis needed to make the necessary business case to continue the effort so that all Centers may benefit equally. Remove all filters in your marketing efforts and promote the product throughout your Center. We have until December 2007 to meet the quota.

◆ [2008 HealthierYou Update](#): Two sets of printed material will be mailed to the HPW POCs during the September-December 2007 time frame. The topics of interest are the challenges of being a caregiver and melanoma. The Health Calendar is in the printing cycle and is due on September 31, 2007.

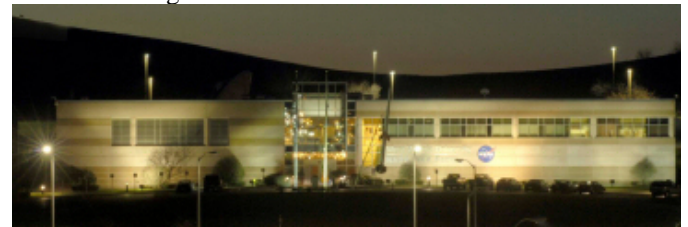


◆ [EHRS Update](#): It was recently announced that NASA EHRS Project will be pursuing a Commercial Off the Shelf (COTS) Occupational Health (OH) EHRS software application. This change in direction will allow us to find a solution that will ultimately be more cost effective for the Agency and avoid having to develop OH functionality available in commercial applications. The EHRS Project Team is reviewing the market research done several years ago on several OH EHRS products available commercially and updating the functional requirements.

◆ [Welcome New IH Staff at White Sands](#): Rich Urie comes to us from the HAZMAT team at the DOE's Los Alamos National Laboratory and subsequent contract work locally and in Iraq. He is a Certified Industrial Hygienist and Certified Safety Professional, holds a BS in Health from the University of Northern Colorado and a MS in Environmental Science out of the University of Colorado. Rich formerly owned and operated his own health and safety consulting firm out of Denver, Colorado for approximately 12 years, and has preformed work in 7 countries.

◆ NASA's Independent Verification and Validation (IV&V) Facility Receives OSHA's VPP STAR Recognition:

OSHA has scheduled to be at NASA's [IV&V](#) Facility in Fairmont, WV, for a STAR certification ceremony on September 10-11. IV&V is a Facility of NASA Goddard. Operations & Safety Manager David Sheldon worked at NASA Langley from 1989-2005 and helped the LaRC team achieve VPP success in 1998. In 2005, David moved to the IV&V Facility, not long after arriving he asked the question, Do we want to move forward to become an [OSHA VPP](#) site and be nationally recognized for our exceptional Health and Safety record here at our Facility? The resounding answer for the entire IV&V team was *YES*. After developing a plan, forming a VPP leadership team and working closely with OSHA IV&V finally made the VPP challenge. Thanks to the entire IV&V team the site is one of only a few in the entire state that is VPP certified. Congratulations to IV&V!



◆ Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) Course at Stennis is a Success:

The 5 day RSO course sponsored by OCHMO and held at Stennis on August 13-17, was attended by representatives from 4 NASA Centers including Stennis, Michoud, JPL/Goldstone, and Dryden. We are beginning to plan for a non-ionizing radiation course to be held at Marshall in Huntsville, AL sometime in early FY08.



◆ NASA OH Center Review Calendar:

- October 23 - 25 – Headquarters

◆ Upcoming Occupational Health ViTS:

- Environmental Health – September 12, 11:00-12:00 PM EDT
- Health Physics – September 18, 11:00-12:00 PM EDT
- Health Promotion – September, 26, 11:00-12:00 PM EDT

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