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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Stakeholder Listening Session in Preparation for the 66th World Health Assembly

Time and date: May 6, 2013, 3 p.m.–4:30 p.m. EST.

Place: Great Hall of the Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201.

Status: Open, but requiring RSVP to OGA.RSVP@hhs.gov or Rebecca.Powell@hhs.gov.

Purpose

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)—charged with leading the U.S. delegation to the 66th World Health Assembly—will hold an informal Stakeholder Listening Session on Monday, May 6, 3–4:30 p.m., in the Great Hall of the HHS Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201.

The Stakeholder Listening Session will help the HHS's Office of Global Affairs prepare for the World Health Assembly by taking full advantage of the knowledge, ideas, feedback, and suggestions from all communities interested in and affected by agenda items to be discussed at the 66th World Health Assembly. Your input will contribute to US positions as we negotiate these important health topics with our international colleagues.

The listening session will be organized around the interests and perspectives of stakeholder communities, including, but not limited to:

- Public health and advocacy groups;
- State, local, and Tribal groups;
- Private industry;
- Minority health organizations; and
- Academic and scientific organizations.

It will allow public comment on all agenda items to be discussed at the 66th World Health Assembly http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA66/A66_1-en.pdf.

RSVP

Due to security restrictions for entry into the HHS Hubert H. Humphrey Building, we will need to receive RSVPs

for this event. Please include your first and last name as well as organization and send it to OGA.RSVP@hhs.gov. If you are *not* a US citizen please note this in the subject line of your RSVP, and our office will contact you to gain additional biographical information for your clearance. Please RSVP no later than Monday, April 29th.

Written comments are welcome and encouraged, even if you are planning on attending in person. Please send these to the same email address OGA.RSVP@hhs.gov.

We look forward to hearing your comments relative to the 66th World Health Assembly agenda items.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Partnership Opportunity on a Research Project To Evaluate the Performance of Isolation Gowns

AGENCY: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice of opportunity to support research.

SUMMARY: The NIOSH National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory is initiating a research study in support of American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) International standards development to establish minimum performance requirements for isolation gowns for health care workers. NIOSH is seeking to identify currently marketed isolation gown products. All manufacturers are requested to submit samples to NIOSH free of charge for testing. There will be no cost to the manufacturers for testing. Not all submitted products may be tested, depending on the response to this announcement and the results of screening tests. Each manufacturer that submits gowns that are tested will receive the test results from their gowns. Through submission of the gown samples, manufacturers will be making an important contribution to ASTM, International's process to establish an

important standard for evaluating the protection provided for health care workers by isolation gowns. Participating manufacturers will be recognized as contributing to the establishment of the performance standard. Manufacturers whose products are tested will also receive the results of all gowns tested in a blinded format.

Gown Criteria: Candidate gowns for inclusion in the research program must meet the following criteria: (1) The gowns must be identified (labeled) as "isolation gowns" and have full coverage in the back to provide protection for the health care worker and the patient; (2) A minimum of 100 units for each code (model) of disposable (single use) gown submitted; (3) A minimum of 200 "new" (unprocessed, unused, unwashed) reusable gowns for each model submitted. Reusable gown submissions must include a labeling recommendation for the maximum number of laundering cycles to be included in this study. Half of the gown samples will be tested after one laundering and drying cycle and half of the gown samples will be tested as laundered for the maximum number of cycles claimed by the manufacturer; and, (4) Samples should be provided in finished package format, with any claims that may not be noted on the packaging or labels provided by the manufacturer. NIOSH will not return any gowns submitted for this testing.

DATES: Submit letters of interest to provide gowns and participate in this research program prior to May 13, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Interested manufacturers should submit a letter of interest with information about their isolation gowns' capabilities to: NIOSH, National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory, Attn: Selcen Kilinc, PO Box 18070, Pittsburgh, PA 15236, Email address: [jqc8@cdc.gov](mailto:jcq8@cdc.gov)

Background: It has been reported by user groups (e.g. Association of Perioperative Registered Nurses and Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology) as well as U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), that performance properties and levels of protection for isolation gowns are poorly understood and defined. NIOSH and FDA are currently working with the ASTM International Committee on Personal Protective Clothing and Equipment—Biological Subcommittee, to establish a standard that defines criteria for measurement and minimum levels of performance for isolation gowns. Development of a standard is expected