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Board on Health Sciences Policy

**Standing Committee on
Health Threats and Workforce Resilience**

AGENDA

May 4, 2016

**Keck Center of The National Academies-Room 208
500 Fifth Street NW
Washington, DC 20001**

Meeting Goal: Provide committee feedback and input to the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Health Affairs (DHS/OHA) Chemical Defense Program

Meeting Objectives:

- Explore the most effective balance between prevention and response planning for the chemical defense program;
- Discuss the federal role in chemical responses, specifically where can DHS make the most difference in supporting states and localities;
- Identify what gaps exist that DHS might be uniquely qualified or positioned to fill; and
- Provide Committee members with an overview of the Chemical Defense Demonstration Project

OPEN SESSION

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

08:15 A.M.

LISA GORDON HAGERTY, *Chair*
President
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KATHRYN BRINSFIELD
Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs
Office of Health Affairs
Department of Homeland Security

SESSION I: SETTING THE STAGE: CHEMICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM

Session Objective:

- Provide committee members with an introduction to the DHS Chemical Defense Program including a brief overview of current activities

08:35 A.M. **Overview: The DHS Chemical Defense Program**

MARK KIRK
Chemical Defense Program Director
Office of Health Affairs
Department of Homeland Security

08:55 A.M. **Discussion with Standing Committee**

SESSION II: CHEMICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM STATE AND LOCAL COLLABORATIONS

Session Objectives:

- Provide Committee members with an overview of the Chemical Defense Demonstration Project
- Discuss collaborations between DHS and states and localities around chemical defense and explore where DHS can make the most significant impact in support of states and localities.

09:15 A.M. **Panel I: Collaboration with States and Localities: The Chemical Defense Demonstration Project & Building Capacity for Chemical Defense**

Panelists:

- Christina Catlett, *Associate Director, Johns Hopkins Office of Critical Event Preparedness and Response*
- William Leahy, *Nassau County Police Department*
- Dev Jani, *New Orleans Office of Homeland Security*
- Erik Svendsen, *Professor and Leader, Division of Environmental Health, Medical University of South Carolina*
- Amanda Lubit, *Sr. Program Analyst, Pandemic and Catastrophic Preparedness, NACCHO*
- Kathleen Fox, *Assistant Administrator, National Preparedness Directorate, FEMA*
- Gary Milner, *Assistant Director, Chemical, Ordnance, Biological, and Radiological Training Facility, Center For Domestic Preparedness*

10:00 A.M. **Discussion with Standing Committee**

10:45 A.M. **BREAK**

SESSION III: USG CHEMICAL DEFENSE ENTERPRISE

Session Objectives:

- Explore the most effective balance between prevention and response planning for the chemical defense program

- Identify what gaps exist that DHS might be uniquely qualified or positioned to fill

11:00 A.M. **Panel II: US Government Chemical Protection, Prevention and Planning Enterprise**

Panelists:

- D. Chris Hassell, *Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Chemical and Biological Defense*
- Simon Limage, *Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Nonproliferation Programs*
- Gabriel Sampoll-Ramirez, *Chief Scientist, Weapons of Mass Destruction Directorate, FBI*
- Reggie Cheatham, *Director, Office of Emergency Management, EPA*
- Judith Laney, *Chief, Chemical Medical Countermeasures, BARDA*

12:00 P.M. **Discussion with Standing Committee**

12:30 P.M. LUNCH

1:15 P.M. **Panel III: Current Federal Collaborations with Chemical Defense**

Panelists:

- Susan Cibulsky, *Medical Countermeasure Strategy and Requirements Division, HHS/ASPR*
- David Jett, *Director, CounterACT Program, NINDS/NIH*
- Bert Hakkinen, *Acting Head, Office of Clinical Toxicology, NLM/NIH*
- Charles McKay, *American College of Medical Toxicology*
- Captain Jennifer Jackiw, *Branch Chief, Neurobehavioral Toxicology, USAMRICD*

02:15 P.M. **Discussion with Standing Committee**

SESSION IV: NEXT STEPS

Session Objectives:

Reflect on day's objectives and discuss possible next steps for Chemical Defense Program

03:00 P.M. **Discussion with Standing Committee**

03:30 P.M. **Closing Remarks**

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03:45 P.M. **ADJOURN OPEN SESSION**