



Learn about the Voluntary Protection Program Meet the OSHA VPP staff & VPP participants

Friday, October 23, 2009

One session: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Refreshments will be available on arrival

**AT: OSHA Training Institute
Education Center/Region 1 at
Manchester/Boston Regional Airport
175 Ammon Drive • Manchester, NH 03103**

Seminar Topics:

Welcome:

Robert Baker, *Director*, OSHA Training Institute
Education Center, Region 1 and Director, Continuing Education
and Extended Studies, Keene State College,

Introduction

David Buck, Ed.D., *Professor Emeritus, Keene State College*
Founder New England OSHA Training Institute Education Center

What is VPP?

Bob Sands, *VPP Manager, Region 1*
Department of Labor/OSHA

How does VPP Work?

Galen B. Williams, Sr., *Director of Safety*
Hanscom Air Force Base

Why VPP?

Darwin Irish, *Safety & Environmental Manager*
FLEXcon Company, Inc.



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VPP Outreach Meet & Greet



Speaker Bios:

David Buck, Ed.D; Professor Emeritus, Keene State College

David is the founder of the OSHA Training Institute Education Center (Region 1) Keene State College, is an OTIEC Outreach Trainer and has spent 25 years teaching and promoting Undergraduate Safety and Health Programs, Safety Graduate Program Director, Graduate Certificate in Safety and Health Management, Keene State College.

Robert Sands, CSP; Region 1 VPP Manager, Boston Regional Occupational Safety & Health Administration Office

Bob is the VPP Manager in the Boston Regional Office where his duties include VPP program management, VPP promotion, assisting employers in developing VPP Management Systems, and acting as Team Leader during VPP on site evaluations. Prior to his current assignment, Bob served in Boston Regional Office, Federal and State Operations, where his responsibilities included responding to congressional inquiries, screening significant enforcement cases, and drafting letters of interpretation. He was a compliance officer in the Methuen Area Office for 10 years. Bob is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts at Boston. He is a member of the American Society of Safety Engineers and is a Certified Safety Professional (CSP).

Galen B. Williams, Sr, Director of Safety and Occupational Health, 66th Air Base Wing, Hanscom Air Force Base, Massachusetts

Galen leads and manages safety support services for over 5000 base located personnel, tenants and contractor activities as well as providing support to 1400 personnel at geographically dispersed in six states. He is responsible for the multi-billion dollar ground, flight, and weapons safety mishap prevention programs. Galen orchestrated the Wings' Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) initiative in 2006. His efforts in partnering with industry to benchmark best VPP practices and facilitating a significant safety culture change helped lead Hanscom AFB to become the first Air Force Installation to be awarded VPP Star Certification on August 3, 2009.

Darwin Irish, Safety & Environmental Manager, Flexcon Company, Inc., Spencer, Massachusetts

The facility was first approved as a Merit VPP in 1995 and has been Star VPP since 1998. As the 4th VPP site in New England, Darwin has been very active in the VPPPA for years. Darwin has held various positions on the Executive Board for the VPPPA and as VPPPA Mentor Coordinator. In addition, the site has been the recipient of the following Regional Star-Among-Star Awards: 2004 Bronze; 2005 Gold and 2006 Gold. The facility manufactures pressure sensitive materials such as label stock and currently has 51 employees.



For VPP Information, visit:

www.osha.gov/dcsp/vpp/index.html



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**OSHA Training Institute Education Center
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The Ammon Center, Manchester Airport**
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From Boston

1. Take 93 North to 293 North/101 West.
2. Take Exit 2; turn left onto Brown Avenue south.
3. Follow Brown Avenue for approximately 1.4 miles. Follow airport signs.
4. After entering the airport, go under the overpass and follow the signs to Ammon Drive. Turn left onto Ammon Dr. (at control tower).
5. Drive .7 miles to stop sign and bear left into Ammon Center parking lot. Parking is in front of the Ammon Center. Enter through the middle entrance doors. The OSHA Training Institute Education Center is located on the first floor to your left.

From points North of Manchester

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From 101 West/293 South

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