

# ALASKA VPP NEWSLETTER



## January 2021

Good day VPP Safety Coordinators

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Another year has come and gone. In some ways it flew by, yet in other ways it seemed 2020 would never end. COVID-19 consumed our lives impacting both home and work life. In honesty, it took me a while to find the words to write this newsletter knowing so many have been negatively impacted by this never-ending pandemic. But in difficult times, we Alaskans do what we do best—power through as a community. Whether we are hit with earthquakes or Coronavirus, it is always an impressive cooperative effort of Alaskans to recover.

### VPP Meeting

The Region 10 VPP Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 13, 2021. The major discussion will be whether or not to conduct the 2021 VPP Conference in-person or virtually. If it is held in-person, the location is set for Kennewick, Washington.

### COVID-19 Resources

The attached pdf file below contains information that has been shared over the last several months regarding resources on OSHA's webpage and those of several other agencies. Also included is a list of general COVID-19 resources grouped by agency, sections with resources on reopening workplaces, and additional industry-specific COVID-19 resources grouped by industry. This information is intended as a resource and is not comprehensive. If the pdf file does not open, you can email AKOSH Consultation and Training to request the document.



Workplace  
COVID-19 Resources

### VPP Annual Self-Evaluation

It is that time of the year for the FY2020 VPP Annual Self-Evaluation. Self-Evaluations are due to the Anchorage AKOSH Consultation office NLT, Friday, January 15, 2021. Region 10 conducted several presentation in December regarding completing the self-evaluation. Christian sent everyone attachments to assist with developing your self-evaluations. AKOSH staff needs time to review and send your evaluation to Regional. If you are unable to submit your evaluation to AKOSH office by January 15, 2021, please contact Christian Hendrickson as soon as possible to request an extension.

### Closing Comments:

We are all in this together.

If you have VPP questions, call Christian Hendrickson, at 907-269-4946 or e-mail him at: [christian.hendrickson@alaska.gov](mailto:christian.hendrickson@alaska.gov). Thanks for taking the time to read this newsletter.



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