

Sunsetted NRC & Agreement State Working Groups

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According to NRC Management Directive 5.3, “It is the policy of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to provide Agreement State programs opportunity for early and substantive involvement in the development or formulation of any rule, policy, directive, or guidance document, as well as participation in any special study or other NRC activity...” In alignment with this policy, the NRC includes Agreement State representatives in many working groups. The purpose of this document is to provide a list of sunsetted NRC working groups that fielded participants from the Agreement States.

Working Group Title	Charter and/or Purpose	Select Members
10 CFR 35.1000, Computerized Teletherapy Units (ViewRay and MASEP Infini) Working Group	<p>Purpose: To develop 10 CFR 35.1000 licensing guidance document(s) for the ViewRay System for Radiation Therapy and the MASEP Rotating Gamma System Infini.</p>	<p>Cassandra Frazier, NRC/RIII Co-Chair</p> <p>Megan Shober, OAS/Wisconsin Co-Chair</p> <p>Shannon Dettmer, OAS/Ohio</p>
Working Group to Include Nationwide License Data in the Web-Based Licensing (WBL) System for License Verification Purposes	<p>Charter: ADAMS Accession ML111450738</p> <p>Purpose: To evaluate the status of the NRC and Agreement State License Data and develop a plan for including Nationwide License Data in the Web-based Licensing (WBL) system for license verification purposes.</p>	<p>Ernesto Quiñones, NRC/FSME Co-Chair</p> <p>Mike Snee, OAS/Ohio Co-Chair</p> <p>Michael Stephens, OAS/Florida</p>
Part 35 Medical Event Definition Rulemaking	<p>Purpose: This rulemaking would amend the regulations to revise the definition of a medical event specific to permanent brachytherapy.</p>	<p>Ed Lohr, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>Darice Bailey, OAS/TX</p>

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<p>2010 Self-Assessment of the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) Working Group</p>	<p>Purpose: To conduct a documented self-assessment of the IMPEP program with appropriate findings and recommendations to improve its effectiveness; and prepare an internal procedure for conducting future periodic systematic self-assessments and capturing lessons learned. After completing the tasks mandated by their charter the working group documented their findings and recommendations in the form of a written report that can be accessed in ADAMS with accession number ML102030209.</p>	<p>George Pangburn, NRC/MSSA Chair</p> <p>Cindy Cardwell, OAS/TX</p> <p>Earl Fordham, CRCPD/WA</p>
<p>Radiation Source Protection and Security Task Force</p>	<p>Purpose: The Radiation Source Protection and Security Task Force was established by the Energy Policy Act of 2005. The Act charged the Task Force with 1) evaluating and providing recommendations relating to the security of radiation sources in the US from potential terrorist threats, and 2) providing recommendations for appropriate regulatory and legislative changes to Congress and the President.</p>	<p>Charlie Miller, NRC/FSME Chair</p> <p>Julia Schmitt, OAS/CRCPD/NE</p>
<p>Public Education Task Force Subgroup</p>	<p>Purpose: The Public Education Subgroup was tasked with creating a concrete, actionable plan for a coordinated public education campaign to reduce fears of radioactivity, diminish the impact of a radiological attack if one were to occur, and provide a deterrent to attackers considering the use of radiological materials.</p>	<p>Pearce O'Kelley, OAS/SC</p> <p>Barbara L. Hamrick, CRCPD/CA</p> <p>Kelly L. Classic, Health Physics Society</p>

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Cesium Chloride (CsCl) Task Force Subgroup	<p>Purpose: The CsCl Subgroup was tasked with conducting a study to assess the feasibility of phasing out the use of CsCl in a highly dispersible form. This study was to consider the availability of alternative technologies for the scope of current uses, safe and secure disposal of existing material, and international safety and security implications.</p>	<p>John Jankovich, NRC/FSME Co-Chair</p> <p>Brendan Plapp, DOS/ISN Co-Chair</p> <p>Richard Ratliff, OAS/CRCPD/TX</p>
Alternatives Technology Task Force Subgroup	<p>Purpose: The Alternative Technologies Subgroup was tasked with evaluating financial incentives, research needs for alternative technologies and designs, and the cost-benefits of potential alternatives for Category 1 and 2 sources.</p>	<p>Joseph DeCicco, NRC/FSME Chair</p> <p>Michael Whalen, OAS/MA</p>
Radiation Sources Task Force Subgroup	<p>Purpose: The Radiation Sources Subgroups is tasked with reevaluating the lists of radioactive sources that warrant enhanced security and protection to see if any changes are necessary. This subgroup is also working on a national definition for a significant radiological dispersal device and radiological exposure device.</p>	<p>Fritz Sturz, NRC/NSIR Co-Chair</p> <p>Beth Reed, DHS Co-Chair</p> <p>Melanie May, DOE Co-Chair</p> <p>Earl Fordham, OAS/CRCPD/WA</p>

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Financial Assurance Subgroup	<p>Purpose: The Task for the Financial Assurance Working Group is to evaluate the financial assurance required for Category 1 and 2 radioactive sources to assure that funding is available for final disposition of the sources.</p>	<p>Kenneth Kline, NRC/FSME Chair</p> <p>John Barcalow, OAS/IL</p> <p>Mike Stephens, FL</p> <p>Mike Dunn, TX</p> <p>David Fogle, TX</p> <p>Richard Ratliff, TX</p>
Validation of Sources that Warrant Enhanced Security and Protection Subgroup		<p>Fritz Sturz, NRC Co-Chair</p> <p>Melanie May, DOE Co-Chair</p> <p>Olin Hale, DHS Co-Chair</p> <p>Earl Fordham OAS/CRCPPD/WA</p>
Security and Control of Radiation Sources Subgroup		<p>Rich Passow, DHS Co-Chair</p> <p>Kim Lukes, NRC Co-Chair</p> <p>Melanie May, DOE Co-Chair</p> <p>Tom Conley, OAS/CRCPPD/KS</p>

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Transportation Security of Radiation Sources Subgroup		Rick Boyle, DOT Co-Chair Mike Wangler, DOE Co-Chair Al Tardiff, NRC Co-Chair Paul Schmidt, OAS/CRCPPD/WI
Background Checks Subgroup		Ernesto Quinones, NRC Chair Jared Thompson, OAS/CRCPPD/AR
Storage of Radiation Sources Subgroup		Jim Shaffner, NRC Co-Chair John Barcalow, OAS/CRCPPD/IL
National System for Recovery of Lost or Stolen Sources Subgroup		Joe Klinger, OAS/CRCPPD/ IL Co-Chair Duane White, NRC
National System to Provide for the Proper Disposal of Sources Subgroup		Giorgio Gnugnoli, NRC Co-Chair Alice Rogers, OAS/CRCPPD/TX

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Import and Export Controls for Radiation Sources Subgroup		<p>Jenny Tobin, NRC Co-Chair</p> <p>Julia Schmitt, OAS/CRCPD/NE</p>
National Source Tracking System Subgroup		<p>Angela Randall, NRC Chair</p> <p>Cindy Cardwell, OAS/CRCPD/TX</p>
Part 35 Clarification for Attesting and Supervising Rulemaking	<p>Purpose: This rulemaking would amend the regulations to clarify that individuals grandfathered under 35.57 may also serve as attesters and supervisors.</p>	<p>Ed Lohr, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>David Walter, OAS/AL</p>
Organization of Agreement States History	<p>Purpose: This working group was formed to write the history of the Agreement States.</p>	<p>Shawn Seeley, OAS/MA Chair</p> <p>Kathleen Schneider, NRC/FSME</p> <p>Aubrey Godwin, OAS/AZ</p> <p>Terry Frazee, OAS/WA</p> <p>Stan Marshall, OAS/NV</p>

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Implementation of Increased Controls Working Group	<p>Purpose: The Implementation of Increased Controls Working Group (IICWG) was created to address implementation issues associated with the increased controls. The purpose and activities of the IICWG are divided into an implementation phase and a compliance phase. During each phase the working group will review and recommend an approach to dispositioning an identified issue.</p>	<p>James Luehman, NRC/FSME Co-Chair</p> <p>Richard Ratliff, OAS/TX Co-Chair</p> <p>Shawn Seeley, CRCPD/ME</p>
Subgroup on Future Inspections	<p>Purpose: The Implementation of Increased Controls Working Group established this subgroup to formulate an additional guidance for conducting re-inspections of the Increased Controls (IC) component of the Health and Safety Programs of radioactive materials licensees.</p>	<p>Richard Blanton, NRC/FSME Coordinator</p> <p>Shawn Seeley, CRCPD/ME</p>
Retrospective Review Sub-Group	<p>Purpose: To review best practices and lessons learned from Increased Controls Program to determine whether current increased controls are effective in enhancing the control over sources, reducing the risk of unauthorized use of radioactive material, through access controls to aid prevention, and prompt detection, assessment, and response to mitigate potentially high consequences that would be detrimental to public health and safety.</p>	<p>Michelle Simmons, NRC/FSME Coordinator</p> <p>Grant Mills, OAS/NC</p> <p>Sean Seeley, CRCPD/ME</p>

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Materials Program Working Group	<p>Purpose: The working group is to assess specific and potential security vulnerabilities in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) radioactive materials program and provide recommendations to address them.</p>	<p>Steering Committee: Robert Lewis, NRC/FSME Co-Chair</p> <p>Roland Fletcher, OAS/MD Co-Chair</p> <p>Members: Pamela Henderson, NRC/ RI Co-Chair</p> <p>Cheryl Rogers, OAS/CRCPD/WI Co-Chair</p> <p>Tommy Cardwell, OAS/TX</p>
Pre-licensing Guidance to Modify the Process of Issuing or Amending Specific Licenses Working Group	<p>Purpose: The working group focuses to develop a guidance to modify the process of issuing specific licenses to assess whether new license applicants are legitimate entities that will use material as intended. The Steering Committee is responsible for providing policy direction to the working group that is developing the work products.</p>	<p>Steering Committee: Aubrey Godwin, OAS/AZ Co-Chair</p> <p>Steven Reynolds, NRC/RIII Co-Chair</p> <p>Members: Tom Conley, OAS/KS Co-Chair</p> <p>Pamela Henderson, NRC/ RI Co-Chair</p>

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10 CFR Part 40 Interagency Jurisdiction Working Group (Feb 2009)	<p>Purpose: The 10 CFR Part 40 Interagency Jurisdictional Working Group (IJWG) was formed to assemble a group of representatives from numerous Federal agencies and the States to resolve jurisdictional and technical issues associated with regulating low-concentrations of source material (uranium, thorium).</p>	<p>Gary Comfort, NRC/FSME Chair</p> <p>Ken Weaver, OAS/CRCPCD/CO</p>
Part 35 Medical Event Definition Rulemaking	<p>Purpose: This rulemaking would amend the regulations to revise the definition of a medical event specific to permanent brachytherapy.</p>	<p>Ed Lohr, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>Darice Bailey, OAS/TX</p>
National Source Tracking System (NSTS) Expansion Rulemaking	<p>Purpose: The National Source Tracking System (NSTS) Expansion Rulemaking Working Group was formed to develop a rule to expand the NSTS to include Category 3 data. The primary role of the working group is to assist in developing the draft proposed rule and the draft final packages, including rule text, statements of consideration, and supporting information for regulatory analyses.</p>	<p>Members: Michael Williamson, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>George Johns, OAS/MN</p> <p>Steering Committee: Mark Shaffer, NRC/FSME Chair</p> <p>Ed Wilds, CRCPCD/CT</p> <p>Julia Schmitt, OAS/NE</p>

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General License Restrictions Rulemaking	<p>Purpose: The purpose of this working group is to form develop a rule related to establishing restrictions to the general license rule (10 CFR 31.5) to limit the amount of radioactive material that a licensee may possess under a general license, and its associated requirements. The primary role of the working group is to assist in developing the draft final rule packages, including rule text, the regulatory analysis, and supporting information for regulatory analyses. As the rulemaking process is in progress, the working group members are still working on their tasks as need.</p>	<p>Solomon Sahle, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>Bryan Miller, OAS/NE</p> <p>Mike Stephens OAS/FL</p> <p>Paul Schmidt, CRCPD/WI</p>
Decommissioning Planning Working Group	<p>Purpose: This rulemaking would amend the regulations to reduce the likelihood that any current operating facility will become a legacy site. This working group has been inactive since the final rule was published on June 17, 2011.</p>	<p>Robert MacDougall, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>Tom Conley, OAS/KS</p>
Low-Level Radioactive Waste (LLRW) Extended Storage Guidance Working Group	<p>Purpose: This working group was formed to assess the adequacy of LLRW storage guidance as it applies to all types of licensees given current challenges in access to permanent disposal for some types of LLRW. The group is also to evaluate the need for supplemental guidance given changes in LLRW management strategies (e.g. life of plant LLRW storage, storage consolidation etc.) associated with lack of disposal access.</p>	<p>Jim Shaffner, NRC/FSME Chair</p> <p>Debbie Gilley, CRCPD</p>

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Power Reactor Sub-Working Group	Purpose: Identify current regulatory guidance to perform a gap analysis based on changing circumstances and disposal access challenges, and to suggest supplemental guidance as necessary.	S. Garry, NRC/NRR D. Gilley, CRCPD/FL R. Janati, OAS/PA
Materials, FC and RTR Sub-Working Group	Purpose: Identify current regulatory guidance to perform a gap analysis based on changing circumstances and disposal access challenges, and to suggest supplemental guidance as necessary	M. Beardsley, NRC/FSME/MSSA D. Gilley, CRCPD/FL G. Vargo, OAS/PA
Exemptions and Distribution of Byproduct Material, Parts 30, 31, 32 Working Group	Purpose: This rulemaking working group would amend the regulations governing the use of byproduct material to make requirements for distributors clearer, less prescriptive, up to date, and more risk-informed.	Cathy Mattsen, NRC/FSME Task Leader Eric Jameson, OAS/GA
Enhanced Security and Control of Byproduct Materials Licensees Sub-Working Group	Purpose: This rulemaking working group would amend the regulations to place enhanced security on the possession and use of risk-significant radioactive material.	Robert MacDougall, NRC/FSME Task Leader Stephen James, OAS/OH Bob Dansereau, CRCPD/NY
Transportation Security for RAMQC Rulemaking Sub-Working Group	Purpose: This rulemaking working group would amend the regulations to include security requirements for shipping category 1 and 2 radioactive material.	Merri Horn, NRC/FSME Task Leader Frank Costello, CRCPD/PA

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Background Investigation and Access Control Sub-Working Group	<p>Purpose: This rulemaking would amend the regulations to include the access authorization program which will implement section 652 of the Energy Policy Act requiring fingerprinting for unescorted access to materials which the Commission deems risk-significant. (Category 1 and category 2 materials)</p>	<p>Merri Horn, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>Jim Harris, OAS/KS</p> <p>Jared Thompson, CRCPDP/AR</p>
IMC 1246 Working Group	<p>Charter: Electronic file can be located in ADAMS with accession number ML102070518</p> <p>Purpose: To revise and update Inspection Manual Chapter (IMC) 1246, "Formal Qualification Programs in the Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards Program Area", Materials License Reviewer Qualification Journal and Materials Health Physics Inspector Qualification Journal.</p>	<p>Jack Foster, NRC/FSME Co-Chair</p> <p>Cindy Becker, OAS/CRCPD/FL Co-Chair</p>

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10 CFR Part 40.22 Working Group	<p>Purpose: The 10 CFR Part 40.22 Working Group was formed to improve the control of distribution of source material to persons who are authorized to receive and possess the source material under an exemption or a general license, and incorporates the resolution of PRM 40-27 to make 10 CFR Part 40 more risk-informed. The rulemaking would also make clarifying changes to the source material regulations. The primary role of the working group is to assist in developing the draft proposed rule and draft final rule packages, including rule text, statements of consideration, and supporting information for regulatory analyses.</p>	<p>Andrew Carrera, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>Gary Comfort, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>Jim Harris, OAS/KS</p>
Part 37 Rulemaking Working Group	<p>Purpose: This rulemaking working group would develop the regulations (Part 37) on the security for category 1 and 2 quantities of radioactive material. The working group will also develop the associated guidance for the rule.</p>	<p>Merri Horn, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>Jim Harris, OAS/KS</p> <p>Stephen James, OAS/OH</p> <p>Frank Costello, State Representative/PA</p>
Byproduct Material Security Rulemaking Steering Committee	<p>Purpose: To provide policy guidance to the Part 37 Working Groups on security for byproduct materials (background investigations, enhanced security, and transportation security).</p>	<p>Josephine Piccone, NRC/FSME Chair</p> <p>Lee Cox, OAS/NC Steve Collins, OAS/IL (alternate)</p> <p>James McNees, State Representative/AL (alternate)</p>

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10 CFR Part 40 Integrated Safety Analysis Rulemaking	<p>Purpose: This rulemaking would amend the regulations to add appropriate performance requirements for an integrated safety analysis for uranium conversion/deconversion facilities similar to current requirements in 10 CFR 70, Subpart H.</p>	<p>Ed Lohr, NRC/FSME Task Leader</p> <p>Henry Barnes, OAS/NC</p>
10 CFR Part 35 – Comprehensive Amendments Working Group	<p>Purpose: To make several amendments to 10 CFR Part 35, including preceptor attestation requirements for authorized users, medical physicists, radiation safety officers, and nuclear pharmacists; grandfathering certain individuals (Ritenour Petition, PRM-35-20); and medical event definitions.</p>	<p>Neelam Bhalla, NRC/NMSS Task Leader</p> <p>Mark Light, OAS/Ohio</p> <p>Gwyn Galloway, OAS/Utah</p>
NUREG-1757 Volume 4, Uranium Recovery Update Project Working Group	<p>Purpose: To update current consolidated guidance for decommissioning of nuclear materials facilities; specifically to include uranium recovery facilities. Current guidance in the 3 volumes of NUREG-1757 does not apply to uranium recovery facilities. The new Volume 4 will update and consolidate existing reclamation, restoration and decommissioning guidance for uranium recovery facilities.</p>	<p>Michael Norato (interim), NRC/NMSS Task Leader</p> <p>TBD, OAS</p>

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<p>Cumulative Effects of Regulation (CER) Working Group</p>	<p>Purpose: To (1) develop and implement outreach tools (e.g., webinars) for the NRC to use to consider the overall impacts of regulatory actions on licensees and their ability to focus effectively on the items of greatest safety importance, (2) collect input from all interested parties on the NRC’s CER process and provide the Commission an implementation status report March 2015, (3) engage broadly with Agreement States to assess the impact of CER on the conduct of State regulatory programs, including the promulgation and implementation of conforming rulemakings, and (4) engage industry to perform case studies with volunteering licensees to review the accuracy of the cost and schedule estimates used in our regulatory analyses.</p>	<p>Duncan White, NRC/NMSS Mike Stevens, OAS/Florida</p>
<p>Revision To Policy Statement on “Statement of Principles and Policy for the Agreement State Program” and Management Directive 5.6, “Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP)” and Management Directive 5.10, “Formal Qualifications for Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) Team Members”</p>	<p>Charter: ADAMS Accession ML112970026 Purpose: Review and revise the “Statement of Principles and Policy for the Agreement State Programs;” Management Directive 5.6, “Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP);” and Management Directive 5.10, “Formal Qualifications for Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) Team Members.”</p>	<p>Lisa Dimmick, NRC/NMSS Co-Chair Steve James, OAS/Ohio Co-Chair Steve Mack, OAS/Arkansas</p>

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<p>Working Group on Gamma Stereotactic Radiosurgery Units Differing from 10 CFR Part 35, Subpart H</p>	<p>Charter: ADAMS Accession ML15329A171</p> <p>Purpose: To develop licensing guidance for a novel radionuclide radiation therapy system, the Leksell Gamma Knife® Icon™ and to determine if the guidance can be combined with the existing licensing guidance for the Leksell Gamma Knife® Perfexion™.</p>	<p>Sophie Holiday, NRC/NMSS Co-Chair</p> <p>Eric Perry, OAS/Kentucky Co-Chair</p> <p>Debra Vail, OAS/California</p>