

ALASKA VPP NEWSLETTER

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Good day VPP Safety Coordinators!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Let me begin by introducing myself. I am Elaine Banda, Chief of AKOSH Consultation and Training. I'd like to recognize each of you for achieving the very prestigious VPP status. As we usher in the New Year, my plan is to build up our statewide VPP program.

I have appointed Angelo Romano as the new VPP Coordinator. His email address is angelo.romano@alaska.gov. As Angelo settles into his new role, please feel free to contact him with any pertinent information he may need to know about your VPP site.

This newsletter will be published quarterly—January, April, July, October. One of my many goals for our VPP program is inclusivity. If anyone has any significant achievements, noteworthy comments, or information you'd like to share with other VPP sites, let me know and I can post it in this newsletter. The main purpose of this newsletter is to keep VPP coordinators up to date with the most current VPP information. As we enter into the New Year, I have many plans for our program and I'd like your input.

NEWS:

The annual VPP Conference is May 12-14, 2020 in Boise, Idaho. Both Angelo and I are planning to attend and I hope Alaska is well represented this year. If you want more information, please contact me or Angelo and we'll send you the flyer.

It is that time of the year for the FY2019 VPP Annual Self-Evaluation Forms. OSHA requires VPP participants to perform an annual self-evaluation of their safety and health management system. This self-evaluation, reflecting the previous calendar year's experience must be submitted to the participant's OSHA Regional VPP Manager by February 15 of each year. Complete the evaluation before February 15, 2020 and e-mail to:

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