



Welcome New RCPD

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What do I need to know?

(aka, What have I gotten myself into?)



Agreement State



Organization of
Agreement States
(OAS)



National Materials
Program (NMP)



Integrated
Materials
Performance
Evaluation
Program (IMPEP)

What is an Agreement State?

39 Agreement States
(Soon to be 40)

Agreement under the
Atomic Energy Act (AEA)

NRC discontinues and
State assumes authority

NRC and Agreement States



What is an Agreement State?

- A State that has assumed regulatory authority over certain categories of radioactive materials relinquished by the NRC through a cooperative Agreement and maintains a program compatible with the NRC that is protective of public health and safety. The state is responsible for licensing, inspection, and enforcement of medical, academic, and industrial uses of certain radioactive materials including byproduct, source, or special nuclear materials used or possessed within their borders.

National Materials Program (NMP)



NMP National Materials Program



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- The NMP provides a coherent national system for the regulation of byproduct material with the goal of protecting public health, safety, security, and the environment through compatible regulatory programs while effectively using regulatory resources. Through the NMP, the NRC, and Agreement States function as regulatory partners.
- Framework for the Agreement States and NRC to carry out regulatory programs
- 50/50 Partnership

IMPEP

Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program



Periodic review of radiation control programs to ensure programs are adequate to protect public health and compatible with the NRC's regulatory program



Common Performance Indicators

- Staffing and Training
- Status of Inspection Program
- Quality of Inspections
- Quality of Licensing Actions
- Quality of Incident and Allegations Activities



Non-Common Indicators

- Legislation, Regulations, & Other Program Elements
- Sealed Source and Device Evaluation Program
- Low-Level Radioactive Waste Program
- Uranium Recovery Program

IMPEP

Integrated
Materials
Performance
Evaluation
Program

All programs are reviewed – including NRC

Review teams are trained individuals from NRC and Agreement States

Team findings are presented to a Management Review Board for final decision

IMPEP Toolbox:

<https://www.nrc.gov/materials/toolboxes/impep.html>

What Does the OAS Do?



**Organization of
Agreement States**

- The OAS is a nonprofit, voluntary, scientific & professional society dedicated to ensuring the safe use of radioactive materials. The membership of OAS consists of state radiation control directors and staff from the 39 Agreement States. The purpose of the OAS is to provide a mechanism for these Agreement States to work with each other and with the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).
- Supports the NMP by representing the interests of the Agreement States (AS) by providing positions, comments, and resolutions affecting the NMP community
- Participates in the bi-weekly calls between NRC Management and briefs the NRC Commission each year
- Finds AS representatives for various working groups and early involvement in NRC rulemaking
- Hosts NMP Champion Chats and government-to-government meetings

What Does the OAS Do?



**Organization of
Agreement States**

- **What can OAS do for you as a new RCPD?**
- OAS's Strategic Plan:
 - Creates an information and communication network to aid director members and membership on implementation of Agreement State programs and associated NRC compatibility requirements.
 - Helps maintain and improve performance across the state programs to better support the overall National Materials Program (NMP) by leveraging their collective knowledge and experience with Radioactive Materials Programs. This is especially valuable for newer agreement states or those with recent staffing turnover. The Board can also provide state programs their knowledge, guidance, and assistance for IMPEP reviews. Support can be available at any stage of the IMPEP process; examples of this may include preparation, questionnaire responses, reviewing the report findings, management review boards, and developing corrective actions.

Connections



OAS Board

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Wrap Up



OAS Website

Thank you

QUESTIONS?