

Charge of the Partnership

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- General Principles

- The partnership does not negotiate rulemaking; nor does it function as a federal advisory committee

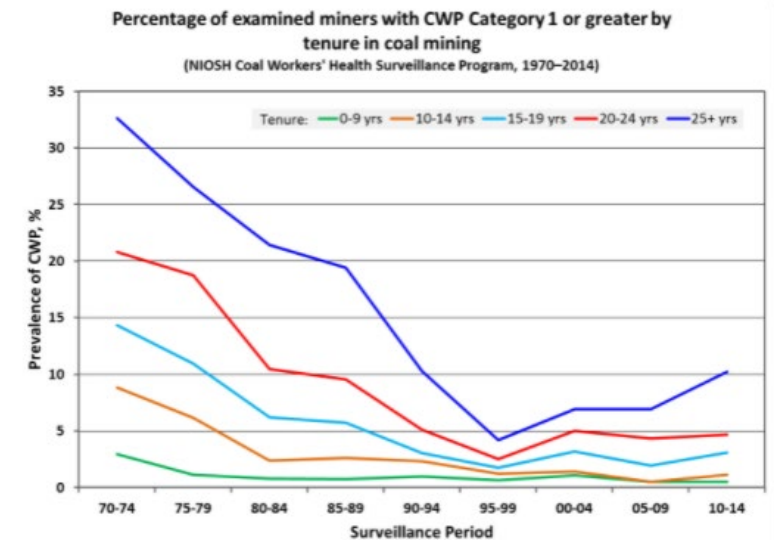
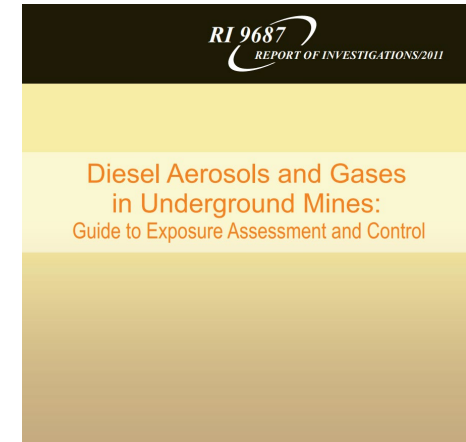


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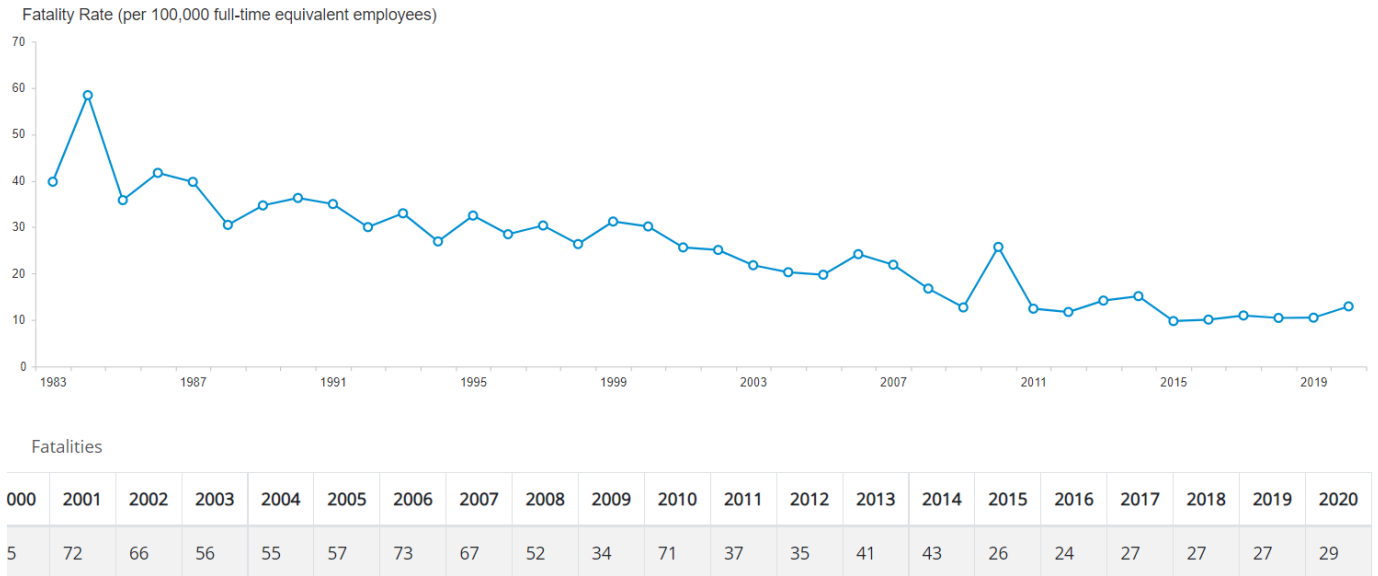
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- *Why?*
- *Across all commodities, the health of the U.S. surface and underground miner continues to be negatively impacted as a result of workplace exposures and practices*
- Like:
 - Respirable Dusts
 - Noise
 - Heat
 - Fatigue and stress
 - Welding fumes
 - Chemical exposures
 - Etc., etc., etc.



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- While we know a lot about acute H&S issues in mining
- We know very little about chronic health outcomes



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Each of you have valuable experiences related to:

- Mining
- Miners
- Exposure science
- Human health

We want to expand/enhance relationships



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Identify

Discuss

Analyze

Review

Share

- General Purpose: Convening of partners to informally identify, discuss, analyze, review, and share miner health practices, trends, and emerging data

- Partnership will meet 2-4 times per year, typically via zoom
- Most meetings will be about 1.5 hours
 - occasional “special project” sub-group activities

*As a group we can
adjust our meetings as
needed*

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The partnership will:

- Use the latest and best available scientific methods and procedures in the accomplishment of partnership work
- Work closely, openly, and in a spirit of cooperation with all partners

Partnership engagement will support the Miner Health Program research goals and activities, as we:

- build trust
- enlist new resources and allies
- create better communication

... which will impact the likelihood for improving overall health outcomes

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Some examples of how the Partnership will help:

1. Discuss health/safety concerns, gaps in process or technology, and the economic considerations of chronic and emerging health, well-being and exposure issues.
2. Industry, manufacturers, academia, and others to present best practices, challenges, ideas, tests, innovations, and progress.
3. Review, evaluate, and discuss specific technical and scientific questions and methods.
4. Exchange scientific findings on the implementation of control strategies and best practices.

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In that spirit:

- **Mission:** ***to be define by the group***
- **Vision:** ***to be define by the group***
- **Objectives** ***to be define by the group***
 - a. Long-term
 - b. Short-term