



Development, Validation, Implementation and Enhancement of a Voluntary Protection Program Center of Excellence (VPP CX) Capability for Department of Defense

DoD Lead Agent

Office of the Assistant
Secretary of the Army
(Installations and
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Department of
Defense Voluntary
Protection Program
Center of
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What is VPP?

- Proactive approach to improve safety management systems based on performance vice compliance established by OSHA in 1982
- Recognition of an Effective Safety and Health Management System
- Elements:
 - Positive Leadership and Employee Involvement
 - Comprehensive Worksite Analysis
 - Active Hazard Prevention and Control
 - Ongoing Safety and Health Training
 - Continuing Review and Improvement



VPP in DoD - Background

- DoD Injury Rate Reduction Goals
- Defense Safety Oversight Council (DSOC)
 - VPP chosen for proven mishap and worker's compensation reductions in private and federal sectors.
- VPP CX
 - Contractor operated
 - Multi-Service; Army (ASA I&E) is lead agent
 - Mission: Assist Installation / Activity Directors in achieving OSHA VPP Star status
 - Baseline VPP assessment and implementation support
 - Focal point for DoD VPP assistance
 - <http://www.vppcx.org> .



VPP Benefits

- Improved Safety and Health for workers
- Improved morale and workplace productivity
- Fewer reportable/recordable injuries and illnesses
- Lower worker's compensation costs
- Positive return on investment
- Increases in available military end strength, positively affecting force readiness
- OSHA validation/recognition of Safety Program excellence
- Secretary of Defense visibility and positive site recognition by senior government officials.



VPP Generalizations

- Like other services, Marine Corps safety and health programs comply with the intent of core VPP elements
 - Common initial VPP observation at DoD installations visited:
 - Lack of employee involvement/participation
 - Low level of program detail, depth, and maturity
- Core VPP Elements:
 - Positive Leadership/Management commitment and Employee Involvement. Includes local bargaining unit(s) support
 - Comprehensive Worksite Analysis
 - Active Hazard Prevention and Control
 - Ongoing Safety and Health Training

This effort is about performance, not compliance



Why VPP ?

- Preventable injuries and illnesses cost DoD an estimated 10 to 21 billion dollars annually (National Safety Council)
 - Workman's Compensation Claims (**Resources**)
 - Legal Costs (**Resources**)
 - Lost Time (**Readiness**)
 - Skill Sets Not Available (**Readiness**)
- Won't Meet SECDEF 75% Reduction Challenge Without Trying New Approaches

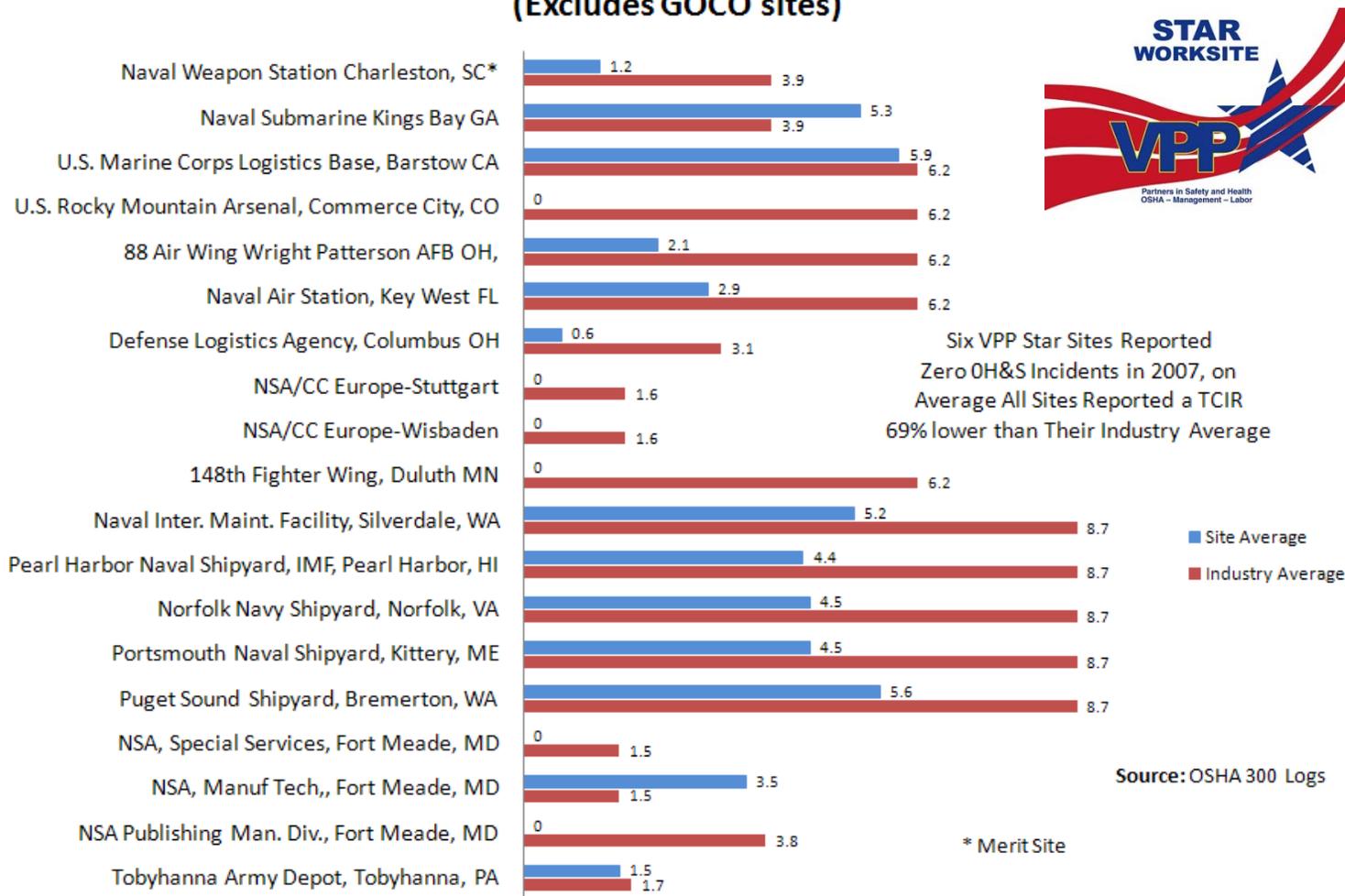


Why VPP ?

- Overall Industry VPP Star Site Experience:
 - Over 60% Reduction In Injuries And Illnesses
 - 20% Reduction In Worker's Comp Costs
 - Up To 150% Return On Investment
 - 864 Companies Saved An Est. \$1 Billion since 1982
- Mobil Chemical Co:
 - Reduced Recorded Injuries by 32%
 - Reduced Lost Workday Cases by 39%
 - Reduced Workman's Compensation Costs by 70%
- DOE Star Sites
 - Lost work days 50-75% below reported industry rates

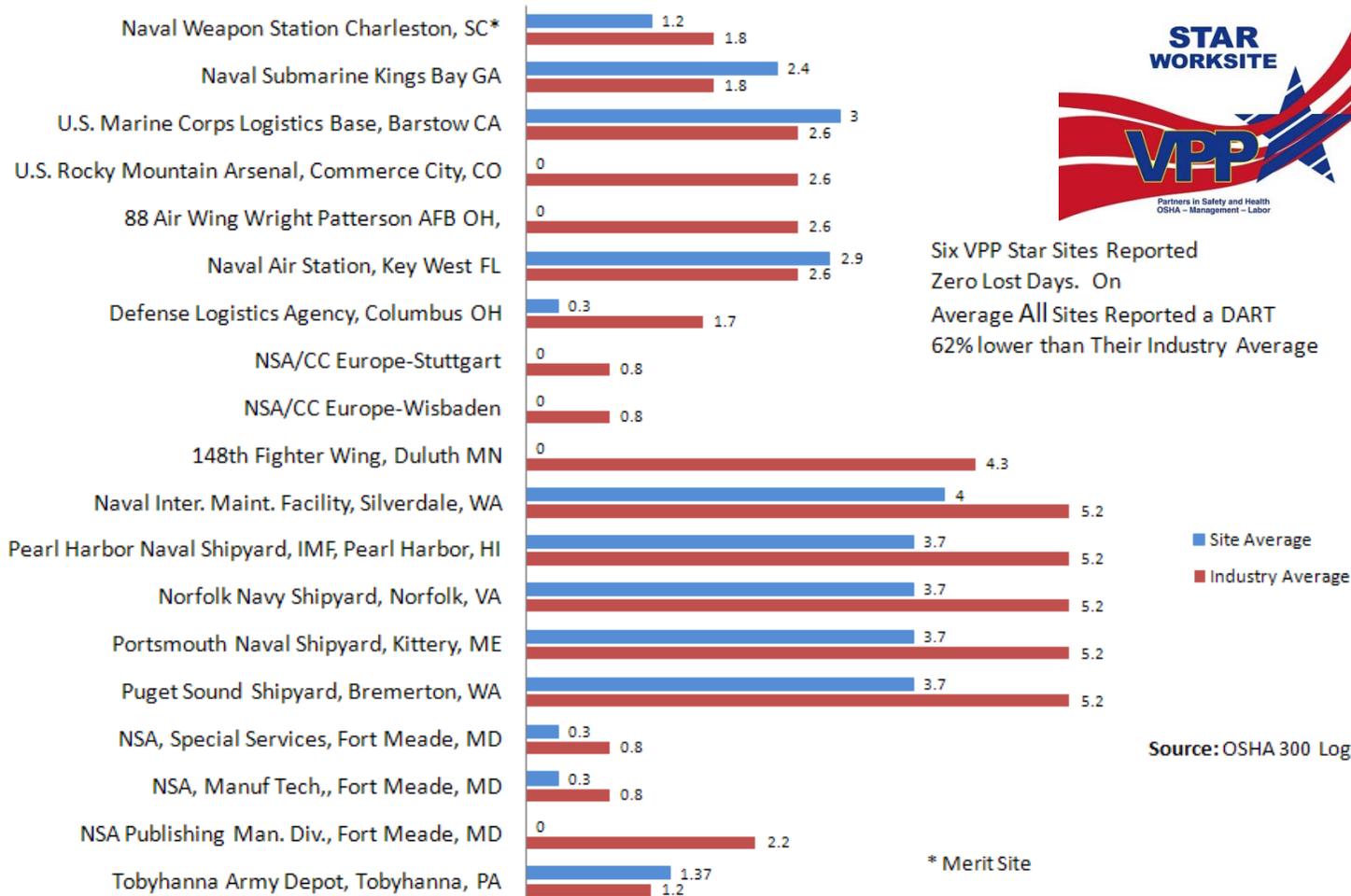


Total Case Incident Rate (TCIR) DoD STAR Sites 2007 (Excludes GOCO sites)



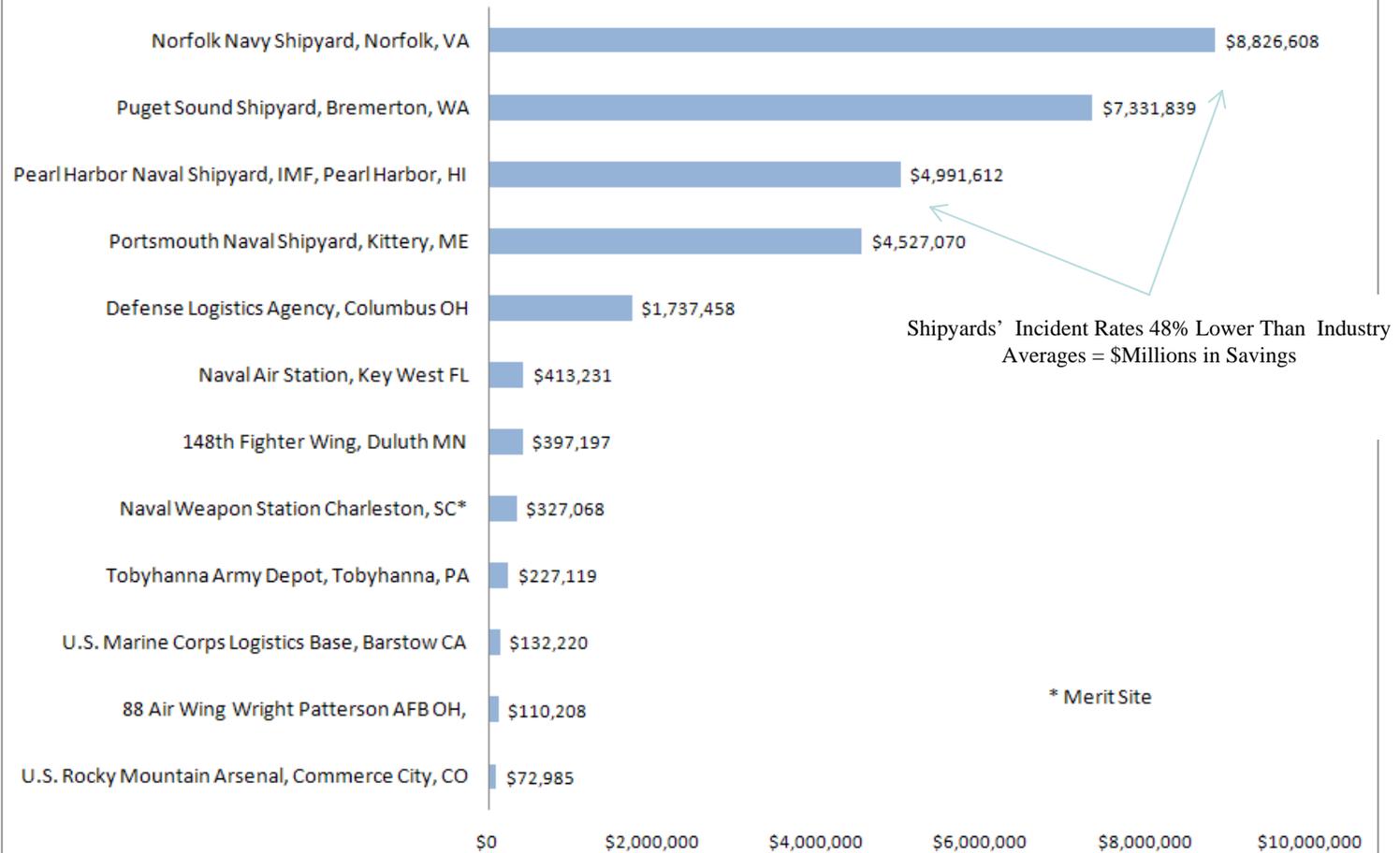


Days Away, Transferred or Restricted (DART) DoD STAR Sites 2007





Estimated Cost Savings Over Industry Averages





Naval Shipyard Results As Reported By OSHA in December 2007

VPP Navy Shipyard Results

	Portsmouth	Norfolk	Puget Sound
# of Employees	4,070	8,345	11,000
Injury Rates Compared to the Industry Average (Total Case Rate)	-33%	-57%	-42%
Workers' Comp Savings Attributed to VPP	\$600,770	\$1,036,834	\$367,898



Current DoN VPP Star Sites

- ✓ Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow, CA
- ✓ Naval Health Clinic Corpus Christi, TX
- ✓ Naval Shipyard Portsmouth, VA
- ✓ Naval Shipyard Kittery, ME
- ✓ Naval Shipyard Puget Sound, WA
- ✓ Naval Base Kings Bay, GA
- ✓ Naval Shipyard Pearl Harbor
- ✓ Naval Air Station Key West, FL
- ✓ NAVSTA Charleston, SC



Marine Corps Progress Synopsis

Overview of Marine Corps site progress metrics items of note:

- Overall, the Marine Corps sites are pursuing increased progress.
- Marine Corps Maintenance Centers Barstow and Albany completed Re-assessments with greater focus on VPP in June.
- Camp Lejeune back on track, also completed Re-assessment.
- Marine Corps VPP Lead met with Miramar Chain of Command to discuss VPP.
- Assessment visit scheduled for Marine Corps Logistics Command, Albany in August.



USMC Year 1 and 2

Percent Complete Status

Category A - Application Ready (90% or better complete)

Category B - Beyond halfway (50% up to 90% complete)

Category C - Commenced progress (between 25% to 50% complete)

Category D - Demonstrated Start (Less than 25% complete)

Name	Command	Start Date	Timeline/ Months	Months Since Start	Current % Complete
<i>USMC Year 1 Sites</i>					
Maint. Center Barstow	MCL	03/03/06	36	39	28%
Maint. Center, Albany	USMC	05/26/06	48	37	16%

Name		Start Date	Timeline/ Months	Months Since Start	Current % Complete
<i>USMC Year 2 Sites</i>					
MCB Hawaii	USMC	01/26/07	36	29	59%
Camp Lejeune	USMC	04/13/07	36	26	27%
Miramar	USMC	06/08/07	36	24	22%
Camp Pendleton	USMC	05/25/07	36	25	16%



USMC Year 3 and 4 and Star Sites

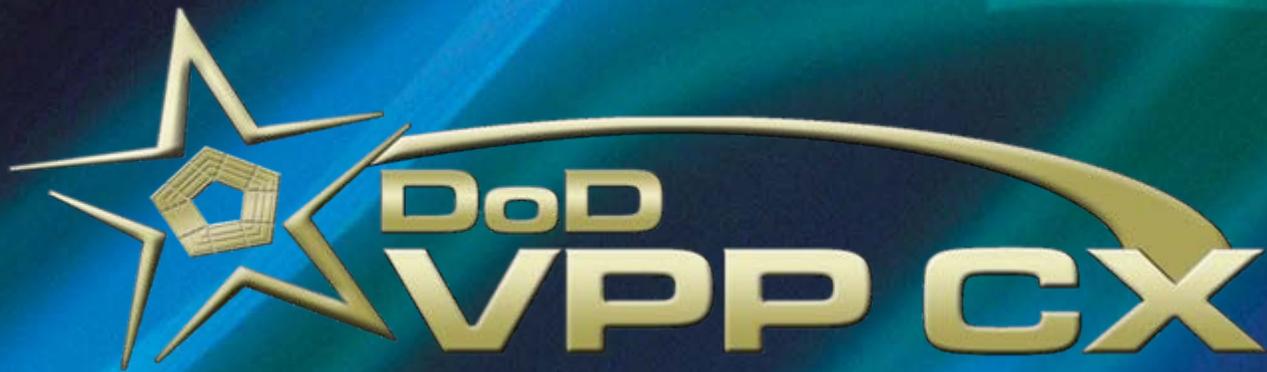
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Name		Start Date	Timeline/ Months	Months Since Start	Current % Complete	Schedule Status
<i>USMC Year 3 Sites</i>				No Year 3 Sites Nominated		
None						

Name		Start Date	Timeline/ Months	Months Since Start	Current % Complete
<i>USMC Year 4 Sites</i>					
Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort, SC	USMC	3/27/2009	24	3	45%
Marine Corps Logistics HQ, Albany, GA	USMC	TBD	24	0	0%

Name		Start Date	Timeline/ Months	Months Since Start	Current % Complete
<i>USMC Star Sites</i>					
Logistics Base Barstow	USMC	03/03/06			VPP Star July 2008



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VPP Fundamentals and Working with the DoD VPP Center of Excellence

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Objectives

After this training you will be able to:

- Recognize DoD's commitment to participation in VPP
- Expand your understanding of the fundamental elements of VPP
- Understand the six process phases for achieving VPP Star recognition
- Understand the support and tools available through the DoD VPP Center of Excellence (CX) to achieve VPP Star recognition.



Management Leadership

- Managers must provide visible leadership by:
 - Establishing clear lines of communication for safety and health policies
 - Creating an environment that allows for reasonable employee access to top site management
 - Clearly defining responsibilities, goals, and objectives
 - Setting example of safe and healthful behavior
 - Ensuring all workers, including contractors, have high quality safety and health protection.



VPP Process

- VPP is a process, a culture, not an inspection.
- There are four main elements to this process:
 - Management Leadership and Employee Involvement
 - Work Site Analysis
 - Hazard Prevention and Control
 - Safety and Health Training.





Employee Involvement

- The site culture must enable meaningful employee involvement:
 - Participation in committees, audits, investigations, work area self inspections, job hazard analyses, etc.
 - Awareness of VPP site participation
 - Hazard reporting
 - Receive feedback - suggestions, hazard reports, etc.
 - Safety training
 - Demonstrate understanding of basic principles of VPP.



Contract Workers

- VPP site contractor programs must include a documented oversight and management system that ensures the contractor's site employees are provided effective protection.
- VPP sites are expected to encourage contractors to develop effective safety and health program management systems.





Work Site Analysis

- Work Site Analysis includes:
 - Baseline Safety/Health Hazard Analyses
 - Ongoing Hazard Analysis
 - Pre-use Analysis (materials/processes)
 - Documenting and Use of Hazard Analyses
 - Routine Inspections / Self Inspections
 - Employee Hazard Reporting System
 - Industrial Hygiene
 - Accident/Incident Investigations
 - Trend Analysis.





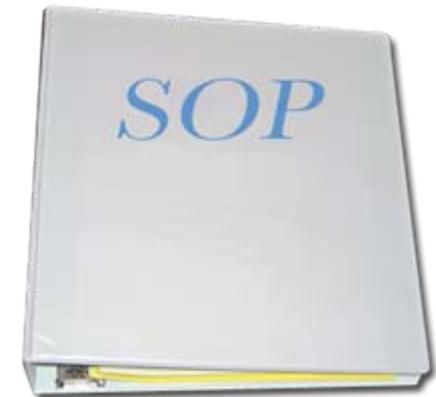
Hazard Prevention and Control

- Hazard Prevention and Control includes:
 - Access to qualified Safety/IH professionals
 - Control hierarchy (engineering, administrative, work practice, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE))
 - Preventive/predictive maintenance to keep equipment from becoming hazardous
 - Access to medical/health professionals for physicals, treatment, first aid, CPR, etc.
 - Emergency systems (response, training, drills, critiques)
 - Controls are understood, followed, and enforced.



Safety and Health Training

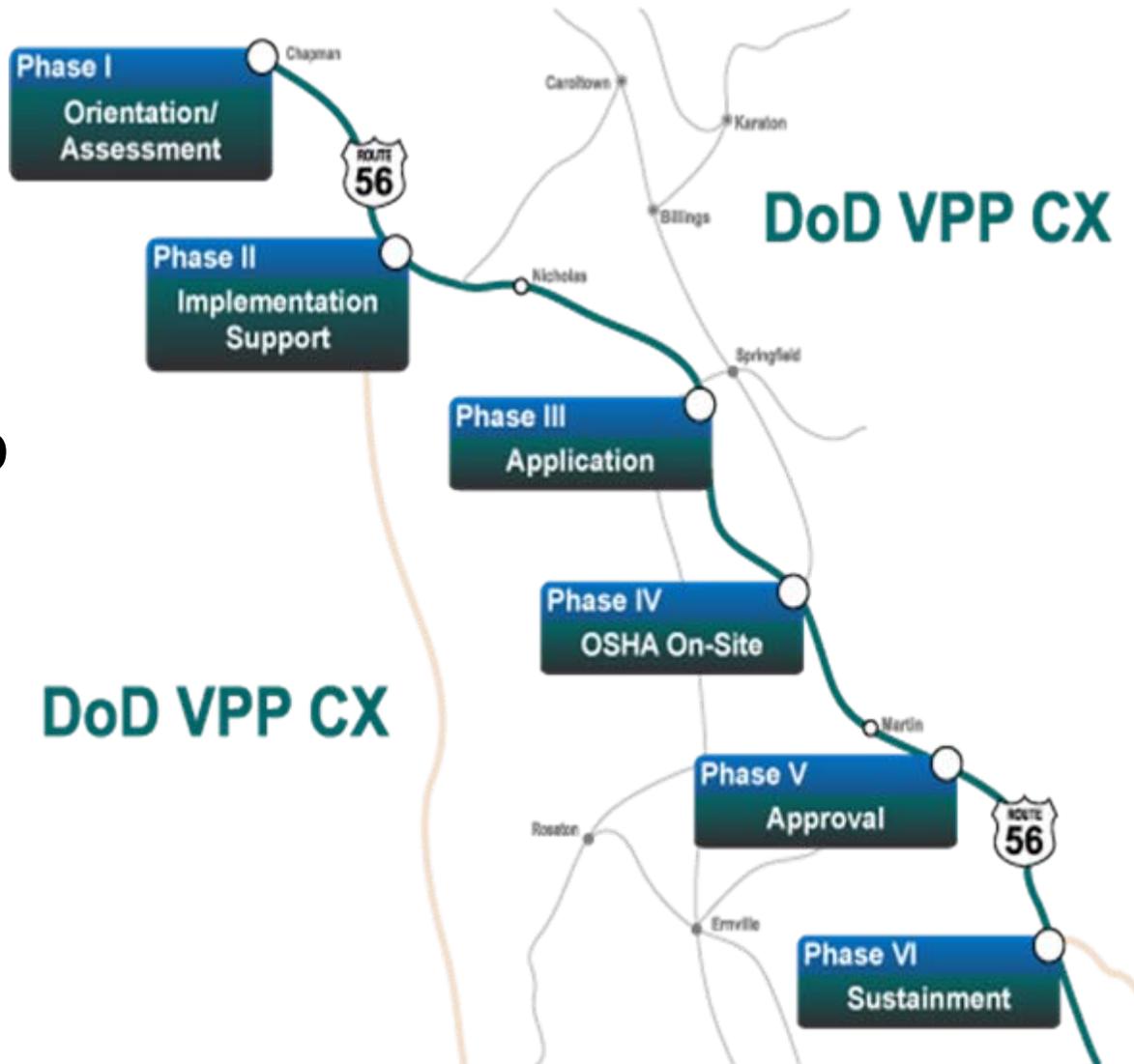
- Safety and Health Training includes:
 - VPP concepts
 - Employee rights under OSHA
 - Responsibilities of managers, supervisors, workers
 - Recognizing hazardous conditions
 - Signs and symptoms of workplace related illnesses
 - Job specific training – for example:
 - Job hazard analysis / protective measures
 - Work area inspection / self-inspection
 - Mishap investigation.
 - Site hazards and protective measures
 - Emergency evacuation procedures.





Becoming a Star Site

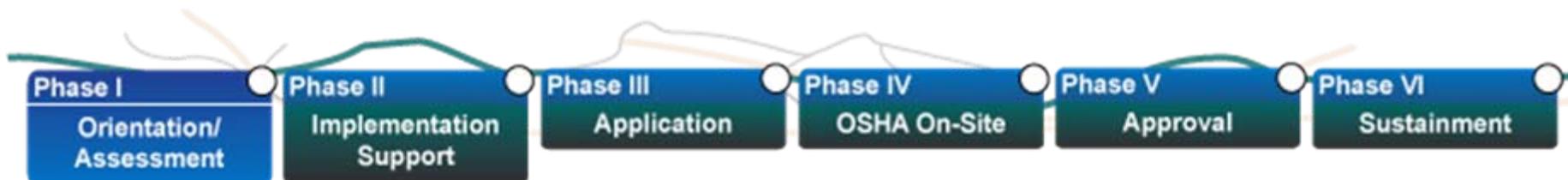
- The DoD VPP CX “Success Roadmap” consists of six process phases to assist nominated sites in achieving VPP Star recognition.





Phase I – Orientation / Assessment

- Orientation/Engagement
 - Provide an overview of VPP and the DoD VPP CX
 - Engage key stakeholders in site VPP efforts
 - Conduct a Safety Perception Survey
 - Begin VPP familiarization training.
- Assessment
 - Conduct a baseline assessment of the site
 - Provide the site with a gap analysis and initial action plan
 - Reinforce familiarization with electronic tools provided by the DoD VPP CX.





VPP CX Onsite Evaluation Assessment

- Evaluation consists of:
 - Opening Conference
 - Document Review
 - Walkthrough of Worksite
 - Employee and Management Interviews
 - Gap Analysis and Action Plan Report
 - Closing Conference.
- Intended to mirror an OSHA on-site.





Onsite Walkthrough

- The onsite walkthrough differs from an inspection
 - Assess policy vs. practice in representative areas
 - Note best practices and significant hazards
 - Conduct informal interviews in employee work areas.





Gap Analysis Report

- The objective of the gap analysis is to develop an action plan which:
 - Identifies unmet VPP requirements
 - Serves as roadmap to obtain VPP certification.

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 Number of Actions Open: **0**
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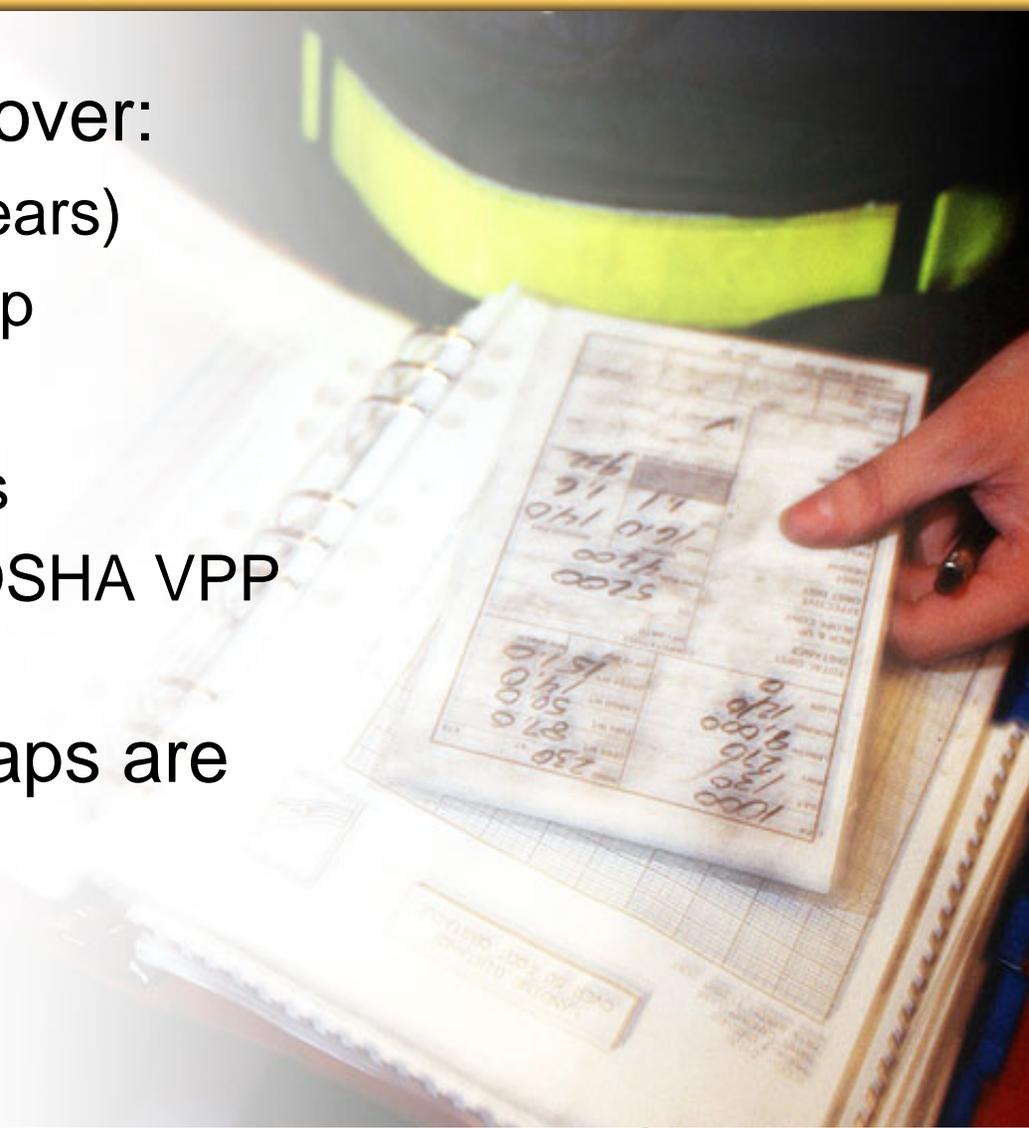
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Action Item	Stage	Sub Element	Responsibility	Date Opened	Target Closure Date	Date Closed	Status Against Target
A1 & 3. Incorporate all the VPP elements (Management Leadership and Employee Involvement, Worksite Analysis, Hazard Prevention and Control, and Safety and Health (SHA) Training) and sub-elements into the sites written safety and health guidelines. The guidelines must be minimally effective to address the size of the site, complexity of the site's work and hazards, and form the basis for establishing the sites safety & health management system (SHMS). The SHMS should describe the policies and procedures specific to the installation that address all VPP elements and sub-elements. Ensure the SHMS guidelines clearly establish and identify safety and occupational health staff roles and responsibilities and identify where the SHMS functions are situated within the sites overall management organization. Federal agency safety and health programs must also meet the requirements of 29 CFR 1960. Provisions (normal communication and written documentation) should be made to the SHMS to ensure important elements are not overlooked as the sites site or work changes. Establish processes to ensure employees are made aware of the SHMS documents and understand their individual roles and responsibilities which create a safe work environment for themselves and co-workers.	1	Safety and Health Management System		10/03/2008	10/04/2008	11/29/2008	96
	2	Safety and Health Management System					
A2. The elements and sub-elements of VPP have been successfully in place for a minimum of one year.	3	Safety and Health Management System					
Draft a statement, from top leadership, defining the sites commitment to achieving recognition in the OSHA VPP. Describe the sites management approach to the occupational SHMS policy, system in place for communicating the policy to all employees, system used to set goals and objectives, system used to communicate goals and objectives to employees, and process used to show how top management is visibly involved in the SHMS program.	1	Management Statement					
	2	Management Statement					





Gap Analysis Contents

- The gap analysis will cover:
 - Injury data (last three years)
 - Management Leadership
 - Employee Involvement
 - Policies and procedures
 - Existing programs vs. OSHA VPP criteria.
- VPP implementation gaps are Normal and Expected.





Gap Analysis Form

Element	Stage I	STATUS	COMMENTS
WORKSITE ANALYSIS			
1. Baseline Safety and Industrial Hygiene Hazard Analysis - Actions Required			
Element	Stage I		
Baseline Safety and IH Hazard Analysis	1. Conduct a baseline safety and industrial hygiene hazard analysis to establish initial levels of exposure (baselines) for comparison to future levels, so that changes can be recognized This study should include a review of previous accidents, injuries, and illnesses; complaints of workplace hazards; previous studies, etc.	Completed	Evidence: Command Core (for IH) and Annual Internal and periodic External Safety Inspections
Baseline Safety and IH Hazard Analysis	2. Ensure that the baseline survey: a) Identifies and documents common safety hazards in the site and how they are controlled, b) Identifies and documents common health hazards in the site to determine if further sampling is needed, c) Identifies and documents safety and health hazards that need further study, d) Covers the entire work site, indicating who conducted the survey, and when it was completed.	Completed	
Baseline Safety and IH Hazard Analysis	3. Repeat the baseline survey only if warranted by significant changes (eg, changes in processes, equipment, hazard controls, etc).	No Action Taken	Demonstrate the process that triggers a repeat of a baseline survey in response to changes resulting from LEAN events, for example



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Element Status

Total number of actions per subelement

No Action Taken	In Progress	Completed
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Management Leadership and Employee Involvement

Management Commitment to Safety and Health Protection
- Completed: 4%

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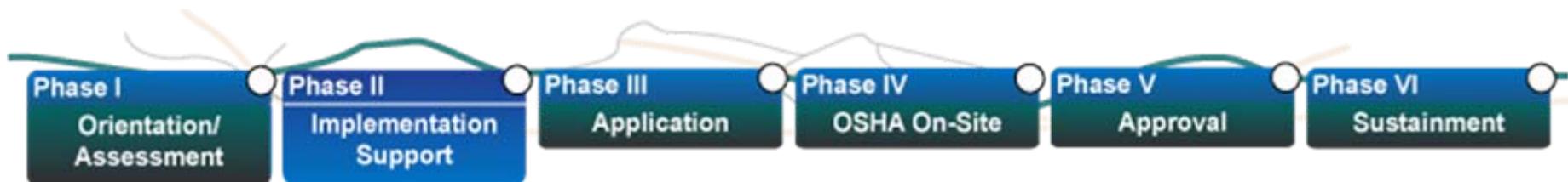
Three Stages of Program Maturity

- Gap analysis parallels the three stages of the formal OSHA Challenge process
- Stages require progressively increasing depth:
 - Stage 1: Initial development of policies, procedures, and programs
 - Stage 2: Communicate to site, train personnel, implement
 - Stage 3: Full implementation, continuous improvement.



Phase II – Implementation Support

- DoD CX Support Includes:
 - VPP Gap Analysis / Action Plan
 - Access to subject matter experts-”Implementation Leads”
 - Additional support and implementation for selected installations
 - Finding a mentor
 - Access to webinars, workshops, training, videos, best practices, tools, etc. through <http://www.vppcx.org>
 - Progress reporting to Major Commands
 - VPP e-Tool application development
 - Pre-OSHA evaluation support with Mock Audit visit.





Web-Based Action Plan Report



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Number of Actions Identified: 0

Number of Actions Open: 0

% Closed < 30 Days from Target: 0%

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Completed	16%	38
In Progress	50%	121
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Total Action Items		243

Action Plan - Ft Indiantown Gap

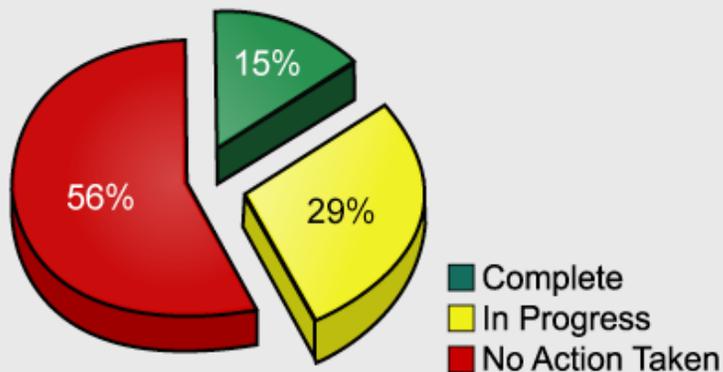
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B2. Ensure all employees, including new hires, contract workers, and visitors, have been made aware of the sites' S&H mission statement by way of new employee orientation and the sites general communication plan.	3	Management Commitment to Safety and Health Protection							
The site has a good S&H philosophy memorandum that supports the elements of VPP however, since the site currently does not have a S&H mission statement, the policy is not able to state the site's commitment to accomplish the its S&H mission.	1	Management Commitment to Safety and Health Protection							
The site's S&H policy statement is available on all safety bulletin boards however, during interviews it was found that not all employees were aware of the content and where the statement is posted. Supervisors could assist with education of the policy by asking content questions during morning safety meetings.	2	Management Commitment to Safety and Health Protection							
Ensure all employees, including new hires, contract workers, and visitors have been made aware of the sites' S&H policy statement by way of new employee orientation and the sites general communication plan. FTIG conducts new employee orientation training that includes instruction on the policy however the policy needs to have some minor rework.	3	Management Commitment to Safety and Health Protection							



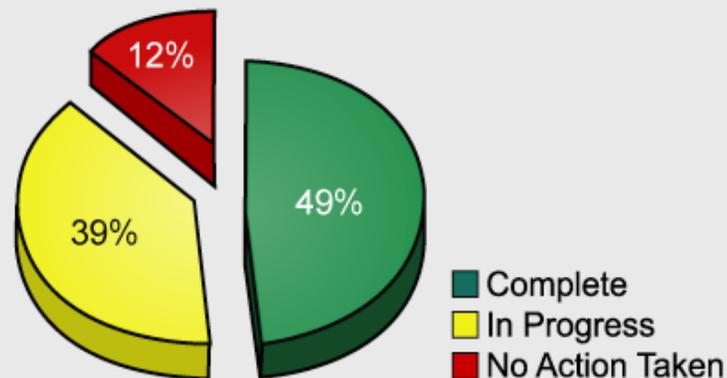


Gap Analysis Graphic Summary Report

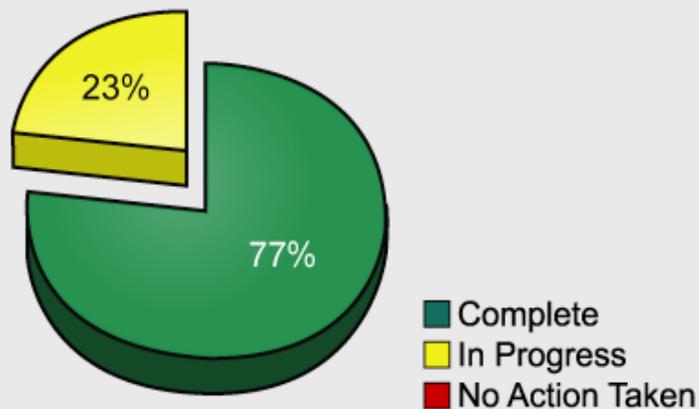
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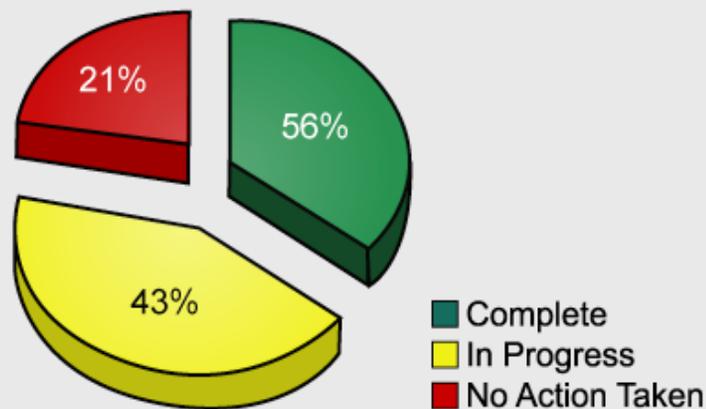
Worksite Analysis



Hazard Prevention & Control



Safety & Health Training





Phase III - Application

- The Application e-Tool:
 - Provides an on-line document filing system for each required application element
 - Reviewed by HQ and DoD VPP CX subject matter experts.

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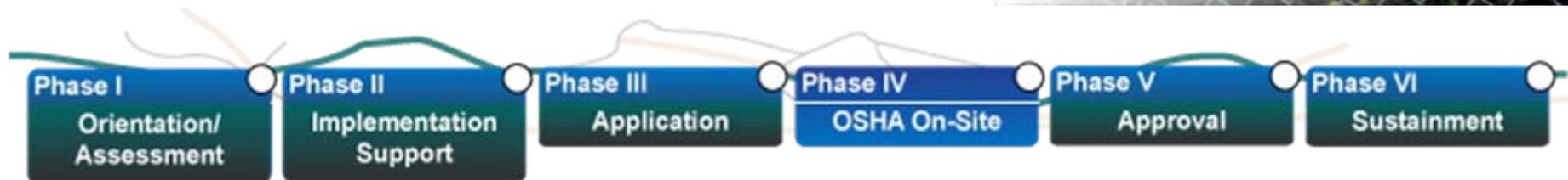
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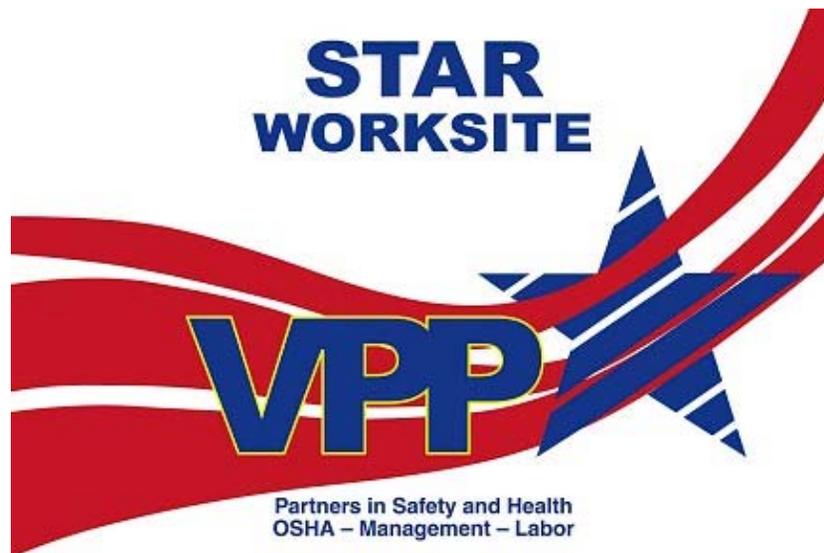
Phase IV – OSHA On-Site

- The OSHA On-site:
 - CX is available to conduct a “validation” and coaching visit prior to OSHA on-site evaluation.

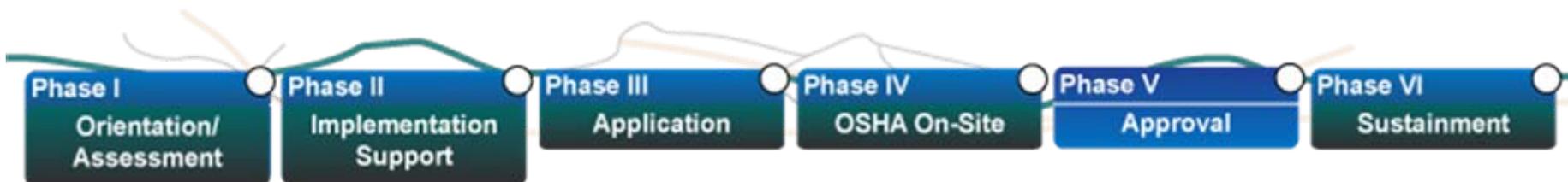




Phase V - Approval



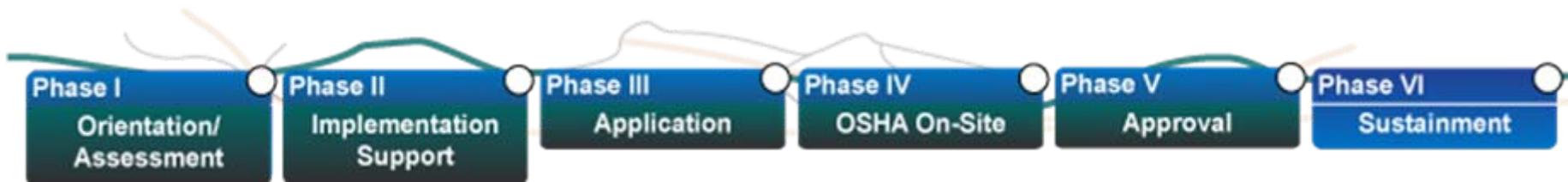
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Phase VI - Sustainment

- Sustainment support includes:
 - Continued access to the DoD VPP CX Web Portal for up-to-date:
 - Tools
 - Training Materials
 - Best Practices Information.
 - Participation in workshops and other training events
 - Continued access to the web-based VPP Application tool (e-VPP tool) for Annual Reports.





Summary

In this session you learned about:

- DoD's participation in VPP
- The fundamental elements of VPP
- The six process phases for achieving VPP Star recognition
- How the DoD VPP CX assist sites in achieving VPP Star recognition.



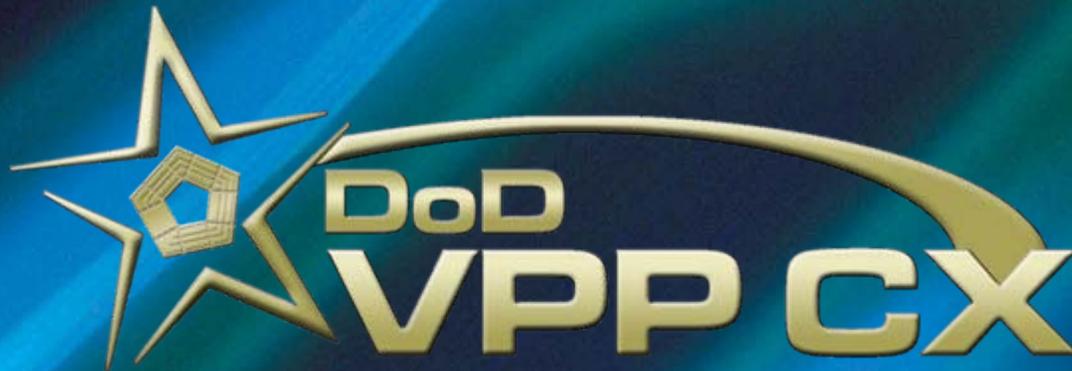
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