



# TECHNICAL CONFERENCE AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**September 13, 2017**

**Powered Air-Purifying Respirators Research, Standards Development Efforts, and Interventions**

**Crowne Plaza Hotel & Suites, Pittsburgh PA 15241**

## Meeting Information

The ISRP Americas Section will hold its Technical Conference and Annual General Meeting (AGM) at the [Crowne Plaza Inn and Suites South](#), in Pittsburgh PA on September 13, 2017. An optional social event will be held at [BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse](#) following the meeting. BJ's is in walking distance of the hotel.

The topic for the technical meeting is powered air-purifying respirator (PAPR) research, standards development efforts, and interventions.

We have a roundtable discussion planned for the meeting. We are seeking panel members to participate in the roundtable, and targeting the following subjects for both presentation(s) and discussion.

- The role of sensors, alarms and emerging technologies in worker protection
- End-user applications and best practices
- PAPR Assigned Protection Factors
- Selection and use of PAPRs
- Particulate and gas & vapor protection required for today's workplaces
- International PAPR performance standards
- PAPR performance beyond respiratory, such as resistance to fluids, communication, use in sterile fields, etc.

## Call for Papers

If interested in participating in the roundtable, or presenting on another topic, please submit a 250 word (or less) abstract for consideration to Bill King at [bwq5@cdc.gov](mailto:bwq5@cdc.gov) or Colleen Miller at [hku6@cdc.gov](mailto:hku6@cdc.gov)

In preparing the final agenda, topics related to PAPR research, standards development efforts, and interventions will be considered first, but other topics will be considered, as long as they have relevance to respiratory protection.

Abstracts will be accepted on a rolling basis. Submission deadline is June 13, 2017.

## Registration

[Registration\(https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/resources/certpgmspt/meetings/09132017/default.html\)](https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/resources/certpgmspt/meetings/09132017/default.html) is required for this meeting and includes technical sessions as well as lunch and one complimentary drink at the social event. The registration fee is \$99 USD for members and \$129 USD for non-members.

Registration deadline is September 6, 2017 and early registration is appreciated!

## Venue & Sleeping Rooms

The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel and Suites, 164 Fort Couch Road, Pittsburgh PA 15241. A limited number of sleeping rooms are being offered on September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 for \$109, including parking, and wireless internet in guest rooms, meeting rooms, and public spaces.

Reservations can be made using [this link](#). Enter your “Check-In” and “Check-Out” dates then click on “Book”. This will take you directly to the reservation site that will have the ISRP special rate pre-loaded. If you prefer to call the hotel, the phone number is (412) 833-5300. **The group code is INT.** A limited number of rooms at the \$109 rate will be available on the 14<sup>th</sup> as well for those attending the ANSI-accredited USTAG to ISO TC94/SC15 Meeting on September 14, 2017.

## ANSI-accredited USTAG to ISO TC94/SC15

The USTAG will host its annual face-to-face meeting on September 14, 2017, also at the Crowne Plaza. Members of the USTAG are encouraged to contact Colleen Miller, [hku6@cdc.gov](mailto:hku6@cdc.gov), to RSVP for the meeting. USTAG members can also leave a message on the USTAG message board: <https://ustagtoisotc94sc15.basecamphq.com/projects/8927750-ustag-meeting-agendas/posts>

## Questions

General and Registration Questions: [npptleventspublic@cdc.gov](mailto:npptleventspublic@cdc.gov)

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Presentation Questions: [bwg5@cdc.gov](mailto:bwg5@cdc.gov) or [hku6@cdc.gov](mailto:hku6@cdc.gov)

## Important Dates

ISRP Meeting Date: Wednesday, September 13, 2017

USTAG Meeting Date: Thursday, September 14, 2017

Paper Submission Deadline: June 1, 2017

Discount Hotel Room Cutoff Date: August 13, 2017

Registration Deadline: September 6, 2017

[Announcement letter\(https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/resources/pressrel/letters/pdfs/ltr-03292017.pdf\)](https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/resources/pressrel/letters/pdfs/ltr-03292017.pdf)