

Seventh Annual Laboratory Safety Partnership Forum

November 14th, 2023

12:10 - 1:30

Lakshmi Attigala hosted and presented the 2023 lab safety orientation (LSO) attendance numbers and what EH&S is doing to increase attendance. EH&S reached out to departments with higher enrollment numbers and fewer LSO attendance. EH&S will provide safety seminars in Spring 2024 based on the feedback received. Lakshmi also discussed whether monthly DLSC newsletters and year-end/mid-year survey performance reports were useful. The consensus among the participated DLSCs was that the information provided was useful.

Lakshmi showed the ATRB mess-free eyewash station flushing Tom Maier (PPEM DLSC) and his team created. A video of the eyewash flushing can be found here: [How to flush an eyewash station | Demonstration at ATRB - YouTube](#) This PDF will summarize all the parts/pricing of this setup: [Eyewash Station Flushing Setup.pdf \(iastate.edu\)](#)

EH&S's focus area for the 2024 Lab safety survey is Fire Safety. EHS surveyors will discuss the importance of fire safety training, electrical safety, housekeeping, and other related topics with the surveying lab personnel. EH&S encourages DLSCs to talk about fire safety within their departments too.

The Departmental Lab Safety Contacts (DLSCs) discussed:

- Escalation process of the lab safety surveys and some DLSCs want the communications sent to Department Chairs sent to them as well regarding outstanding survey deficiencies.
- Transitioning their courses into Workday Learning/Canvas has been difficult so far.
- Many questions regarding Workday Learning, how students vs ISU employees access Workday Learning and Canvas, checking training reports, etc.