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***National Framework for Personal Protective Equipment
Conformity Assessment - Infrastructure***

AGENCY: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: NIOSH announces the availability of the following publication: National Framework for Personal Protective Equipment Conformity Assessment - Infrastructure.

DATES: The technical report was published on November 17, 2017.

ADDRESSES: This document may be obtained at the following link: <https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2018-102/default.html>.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In May 2011, NIOSH published a notice in the **Federal Register** [76 FR 28791] requesting comments on the recommendations issued by the Institute of Medicine in a report they electronically published in November 2010, titled, "Certifying Personal Protective Technologies." In August 2013, NIOSH published a notice in the **Federal Register** [78 FR 49524] requesting comments on the draft NIOSH response to the Institute of Medicine recommendations, and announcing a public meeting which was held on September 17, 2013. In response to a request, NIOSH extended the public comment period to December 2, 2013. All comments received were reviewed and addressed where appropriate.

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