

Worker Health Protection Among Vietnamese Shrimp Fishermen of the Gulf Coast

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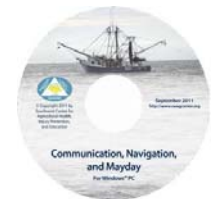
Hands-on Training in Vietnamese



Health Monitoring



Participant Chosen Intervention



This study demonstrated:

- Strategic partnerships with the USCG, Cooperative Extension, Sea Grant, AHEC, and the Vietnamese fishing communities are critical to program coordination and recruitment with this population.
- Training in the participants' language and health monitoring are effective recruitment tools.
- Work related noise exposure may be an issue. Hearing loss has been noted on audiometric testing.
- Work is perceived to be risky and fishermen work long hours posing a risk of fatigue.
- Prevalence of elevated blood pressure measurement was unexpectedly high.
- Community driven interventions can have a positive influence on health and safety behaviors.