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Randall (Randy) Snelling is the Chief Physical Environment Officer (CPEO) of Det Norske Veritas Healthcare Inc. (DNVHC). DNVHC is the newest Hospital Accreditation Agency in the USA, receiving deeming authority from CMS on September 26, 2008. Randy is an ISO 9001 Lead Auditor and a NIAHO Survey Team Leader. He is a High Honors Graduate from the University of Louisville and an Authorized OSHA Instructor. He also has held several other certificates in the building industry including an Indiana State Lead Risk Assessor and BPI Building Analyst.

Before beginning working in the healthcare world in 2001, Randy worked for over two decades in the utility industry, retiring as a Master Electrician. He trained as and completed duties as a machinist, a millwright, a welder, and a heavy equipment and crane operator. The equipment he maintained was in large part very similar to equipment used in healthcare facilities.

During this time he became a leading safety catalyst and change agent including forming the utility corporation's first non-exempt employee safety committee. During these years in the "trenches", Randy honed his skills as a safety advocate and as a public speaker (B.S. Occupational Training and Development) to the extent that a career in safety became his goal.

Randy's skills were recognized at Healthcare Specialists Inc. (eventually to become DNVHC) where he was first introduced to the healthcare world in 2001. Although his early days in healthcare were spent administering safety training, Randy began surveying hospitals in 2004, doing both TJC "mock" surveys and the initial National Integrated Accreditation for Hospital Organizations (NIAHO) surveys for Healthcare Specialists, Inc. These NIAHO surveys were part of the CMS application process that culminated successfully last September in the deeming of DNVHC. Randy has been a strategic part of DNVHC's efforts to apply survey procedures that are fair, respectful, and thorough.