

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Findings of Scientific Misconduct

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) has made final findings of scientific misconduct in the following case:

James T. Kurtzman, M.D., University of California at San Francisco. An investigation conducted by the University found that Dr. Kurtzman, a former Resident/Fellow in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences, falsified results of research on the kinetics of nitric oxide synthase in cells and homogenates of human myometrial tissue in pregnant women. Dr. Kurtzman admitted that he had altered data in eight experiments that he performed during December 1993 and January 1994. Dr. Kurtzman reported that he had conducted the enzyme assays and entered the data into a computer-based spreadsheet, but then changed the data to generate graphs that would reproduce the type of results that he had submitted earlier to the Journal of Clinical Investigation. The paper was not published. Dr. Kurtzman executed a Voluntary Exclusion and Settlement Agreement in which he has agreed not to apply for Federal grant or contract funds and will not serve on PHS advisory committees, boards or peer review groups for a three-year period beginning March 18, 1995. The voluntary exclusion, however, shall not apply to Dr. Kurtzman's future training or practice of clinical medicine whether as a resident, fellow, or licensed practitioner, as the case may be, unless that practice involves federally funded research or the direct receipt of an award for federally funded research training.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Director, Division of Research Investigations, Office of Research Integrity, 301-443-5330.

Lyle W. Bivens,

Director, Office of Research Integrity.

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Agency for Health Care Policy and Research

Notice of Health Care Policy and Research Special Emphasis Panel Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2) announcement is made of the following special emphasis panel scheduled to meet during the month of May 1995:

Name: Health Care Policy and Research Special Emphasis Panel.

Date and Time: May 8-9, 1995, 8:00 a.m.

Place: Holiday Inn Chevy Chase, 5520 Wisconsin Avenue, Palladian East Room, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

Open May 8, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Closed for remainder of meeting.

Purpose: This Panel is charged with conducting review of Health Services Research grant applications requesting dissertation support.

Agenda: The open session of the meeting on May 8, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. will be devoted to a business meeting covering administrative matters. During the closed session, the committee will be reviewing Health Services Research grant applications requesting dissertation support. In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, section 10(d) of 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2 and 5 U.S.C., 552b(c)(6), the Administrator, AHCPR, has made a formal determination that this latter session will be closed because the discussions are likely to reveal personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications. This information is exempt from mandatory disclosure.

Anyone wishing to obtain a roster of members or other relevant information should contact J. Terrell Hoffeld, D.D.S., Ph.D., Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, Suite 602, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Rockville, Maryland 20852, Telephone (301) 594-1449.

Agenda items for this meeting are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Dated: April 13, 1995.

Clifton R. Gaus,

Administrator.

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Agency for Health Care Policy and Research

Notice of Health Care Policy and Research Special Emphasis Panel Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2) announcement is made of the following special emphasis panel scheduled to meet during the month of June 1995:

Name: Health Care Policy and Research Special Emphasis Panel

Date and Time: June 15-16, 1995, 8:30 a.m.

Place: Ramada Inn, 1775 Rockville Pike, Montrose Room, Rockville, MD 20852.

Open June 15, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Closed for remainder of meeting.

Purpose: This Panel is charged with conducting the initial review of grant applications on research that will provide convincing evidence for or against the effectiveness and cost effectiveness of alternative clinical interventions used to prevent, diagnose, treat, and manage common clinical conditions.

Agenda: The open session for the meeting on June 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. will be devoted to a business meeting covering administrative matters. During the closed session, the committee will be reviewing grant applications dealing with complex, clinical medical effectiveness issues in response to the medical treatment effectiveness PORT II initiative. In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, section 10(d) of 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2 and 5 U.S.C., 552b(c)(6), the Administrator, AHCPR, has made a formal determination that this latter session will be closed because the discussions are likely to reveal personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications. This information is exempt from mandatory disclosure.

Anyone wishing to obtain a roster of members or other relevant information should contact Gerald E. Calderone, Ph.D., Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, Suite 602, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Rockville, Maryland 20852, Telephone (301) 594-2462.

Agenda items for this meeting are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Dated: April 13, 1995.

Clifton R. Gaus,

Administrator.

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Public Health Conference Support Grant Program

Introduction

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of funds in fiscal year (FY) 1996 for the Public Health Conference Support Grant Program. The Public Health Service (PHS) is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of "Healthy People 2000," a PHS-led national activity to reduce morbidity and mortality and improve the quality of life. This announcement is related to all of Healthy People 2000 priority areas, except HIV Infection (an announcement for HIV entitled, "Public Health Conference Support Cooperative