DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel (SEP): Cooperative Agreements To Conduct Studies of Illnesses Among Persian Gulf War Veterans, Program Announcement 748: Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following committee meeting.

Name: Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control SEP: Cooperative Agreements to Conduct Studies of Illnesses Among Persian Gulf War Veterans, Program Announcement 748.

Time and Date: 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., August 12, 1997, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., August 13, 1997.

Place: Lenox Inn, 3387 Lenox Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30326.

Status: Closed.

Matters to be Discussed: The meeting will include the review, discussion, and evaluation of applications received in response to Program Announcement 748.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in section 552b(c) (4) and (6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Associate Director for Management and Operations, CDC, pursuant to Pub. L. 92–463.

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Dated: July 2, 1997.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Request for Nominations for Nonvoting Representatives of Consumer and Industry Interests on Public Advisory Panels or Committees

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is requesting nominations for nonvoting consumer representatives and nonvoting industry representatives to serve on certain device panels of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee in the Center for Devices and Radiological Health. Nominations will be accepted for current vacancies and for those that will or may occur through June 30, 1998.

FDA has a special interest in ensuring that women, minority groups, individuals with disabilities, and small businesses are adequately represented on advisory committees and, therefore, encourages nominations for appropriately qualified candidates from these groups, as well as nominations from small businesses that manufacture medical devices subject to the regulations.

DATES: Nominations should be received by August 8, 1997, for vacancies listed in this notice.

ADDRESSES: All nominations and curricula vitae for consumer representatives should be submitted in writing to Annette J. Funn (address below). All nominations and curricula vitae (which includes nominee's office address and telephone number) for industry representatives should be submitted in writing to Kathleen L. Walker (address below).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Regarding consumer representatives: Annette J. Funn, Office of Consumer Affairs (HFE–88), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–5006.

Regarding industry representatives: Kathleen L. Walker, Center for Devices and Radiological Health (HFZ–17), Food and Drug Administration, 2098 Gaither Rd., Rockville, MD 20850, 301–594–1283, ext. 114.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FDA is requesting nominations for nonvoting members representing consumer and industry interests for the vacancies listed below:

Medical Devices Panels	Approximate Date Representative is Needed	
	Consumer	Industry
Anesthesiology and Respiratory Therapy Devices Panel	December 1, 1997	December 1, 1997
Clinical Chemistry and Clinical Toxicology Devices Panel	March 1, 1998	NV
Dental Products Panel (Medical Devices)	NV	November 1, 1997
General Hospital and Personal Use Devices Panel	NV	January 1, 1998
Microbiology Devices Panel	March 1, 1998	NV
Ophthalmic Devices Panel	NV	November 1, 1997

NV = No vacancy

Functions

The functions of the medical device panels are to: (1) Review and evaluate data on the safety and effectiveness of marketed and investigational devices and make recommendations for their regulation; (2) advise the Commissioner of Food and Drugs regarding recommended classification or reclassification of these devices into one of three regulatory categories; (3) advise on any possible risks to health associated with the use of devices; (4) advise on formulation of product development protocols; (5) review premarket approval applications for medical devices; (6) review guidelines and guidance documents; (7) recommend exemption to certain devices from the application of portions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act; (8) advise on the necessity to ban a device; (9) respond to requests from the agency to review and make recommendations on specific issues or problems concerning the safety and effectiveness of devices; and (10) make recommendations on the quality in the design of clinical studies regarding the safety and effectiveness of marketed and investigational devices.

Consumer and Industry Representation

Section 520(f)(3) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act)(21 U.S.C. 360j(f)(3)), as amended by the Medical Device Amendments of 1976,