Copies of the information collection packages listed above can be obtained by calling the OS Reports Clearance Officer on (202) 690-6207. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the OMB desk officer designated above at the following address: Human Resources and Housing Branch, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Comments may also be sent to Cynthia Agens Bauer, OS Reports Clearance Officer, Room 503H, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20201. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.


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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Notice of Two Meetings of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC): One Each of its Genetics and Human Subjects Subcommittees

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is given of two meetings of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission. Commission members will solicit testimony on the protection of the rights and welfare of human subjects in research including decisionally and/or cognitively impaired populations and will address the use of genetic information involved in tissue storage. The meetings are open to the public and opportunities for statements by the public will be provided.

DATES/TIMES/LOCATIONS:
Human Subjects Subcommittee
September 18, 1997, 8:00 am–12 noon public hearing—National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Building 31, 6th Floor, Conference Room 9, Bethesda, Maryland 20892

Genetics Subcommittee
September 19, 1997, 8:30 am–12:30 pm—Same Location as Above

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The President established the National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) by Executive Order 12975 on October 3, 1995. The mission of the NBAC is to advise and make recommendations to the National Science and Technology Council and other entities on bioethical issues arising from the research on human biology and behavior, and in the applications of that research including clinical applications.

Public Participation

All meetings are open to the public with attendance limited by the availability of space. On September 18, 1997, the Human Subjects Subcommittee of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission will discuss possible guidelines for research involving decisionally or cognitively impaired subjects, and public testimony is invited on the ethical issues of such research. A public hearing will be held on ethical issues in research involving decisionally or cognitively impaired individuals from 9:00 am—12 noon on September 18, 1997. Members of the public who wish to present oral statements should contact the Deputy Executive Director of the NBAC by telephone, fax machine, or mail as shown below prior to the meeting as soon as possible. Individuals unable to make oral presentations are encouraged to mail or fax their comments to the NBAC staff office for distribution to the subcommittee members or Commission and inclusion in the public record.

Persons needing special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other special accommodations, should contact NBAC staff at the address or telephone number listed below as soon as possible.

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