

lymphohematopoietic malignancies and related disorders and lung cancer in Chinese workers. Cases and controls will be selected from participants in a recent cohort study of benzene-exposed workers in China. The data will be used by the NCI to examine risk among workers exposed to low levels of benzene, and to characterize the dose and time-specific relationship between benzene exposure and disease risk.

*Frequency of Response:* One-time study.  
*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.  
*Type of Respondents:* Workers. The annual reporting burden is as follows: *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 515; *Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* One; *Average Burden Hours per Response:* 0.425; and *Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Request:* 219.

There are no Capital Costs, Operating Costs, and/or Maintenance Costs to report.

#### Request for comments

Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited on one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection or information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriated automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

#### Direct comments to OMB

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for NIH. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, contact: Dr. Richard Hayes, Project Officer, National Cancer Institute, Executive Plaza North, Room 418, Rockville, Maryland 20892-7364, or call non-toll-free number (301) 496-9093, or FAX your request to (301) 402-1819, or E-mail your request,

including your address to HayesR@epndce.nci.nih.gov.

*Comments Due Date:* Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received on or before February 23, 1998.

Dated: December 13, 1998.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute of Dental Research; Notice of a Meeting of the National Advisory Dental Research Council

Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Advisory Dental Research Council, National Institute of Dental Research, on January 20-21, 1998, Conference Rooms E1-E2, Building 45, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland. This meeting will be open to the public from 8:30 a.m. until adjournment on January 21, 1998, for general discussion and program presentations. Attendance by the public will be limited to space available.

In accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. and sec. 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, the meeting of the Council will be closed to the public on January 20, 1:00 p.m. to recess for the review, discussion and evaluation of individual grant applications. These applications and information concerning individuals associated with the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal applications and reports, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

This notice is being published less than fifteen days prior to the meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

Dr. Dushanka V. Kleinman, Executive Secretary, National Advisory Dental Research Council, and Deputy Director, National Institute of Dental Research, National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Room 2C39, Bethesda, Maryland 20891 (telephone (301) 496-9469) will furnish a roster of committee members, a summary of the meeting, and other information pertaining to the meeting upon request. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other

reasonable accommodations, should contact the Executive Secretary listed above in advance of the meeting.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.121, Oral Diseases and Disorders Research)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting of the Merit Review Ad Hoc Subcommittee of the National Advisory Council on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

*Purpose/Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Name of Committee:* Merit Review Ad Hoc Subcommittee of the National Advisory Council on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

*Date of Meeting:* February 11, 1998.

*Time:* 7:00 p.m. to adjournment.

*Place of Meeting:* Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Mark Green, Ph.D., 6000 Executive Blvd, Suite 409, Bethesda, MD 20892-7003, 301-443-2860.

The meeting will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and/or proposals and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.271, Alcohol Research Career Development Awards for Scientists and Clinicians; 93.272, Alcohol National Research Service Awards for Research Training; 93.273, Alcohol Research Programs; National Institutes of Health)

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