

Place: 6100 Executive Boulevard, 6100 Building, Room 5E01, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Contact Person: Edgar E. Hanna, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, NICHD, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Room 5E01, Rockville, MD 20852, Telephone: 301-496-1485.

Name of SEP: A Non-Intrusive Fiber Optic Lead Sensor (Teleconference).

Date: April 27, 1998.

Time: 1:30 p.m.—adjournment.

Place: 6100 Executive Boulevard, 6100 Building, Room 5E01, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Contact Person: Gopal Bhatnagar, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, NICHD, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Room 5E01, Rockville, MD 20852, Telephone: 301-496-1485.

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

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

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

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Dated: April 16, 1998.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; 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 National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meeting:

Name of SEP: Pediatric Pharmacology Research Unit (PPRU), Data Coordinating Center.

Date: May 18, 1998.

Time: 9:00 a.m.—adjournment.

Place: 6100 Executive Boulevard, 5th Floor Conference Room, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Contact Person: Hameed Khan, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, NICHD,

6100 Executive Boulevard, Room 5E01, Rockville, MD 20852, Telephone: 301-496-1485.

Purpose/Agenda: To evaluate and review contract grant proposal.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Contraception and Infertility Research Loan Repayment Program

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, Public Health Service, HHS.

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: The Center for Population Research of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), announces the availability of educational loan repayment under the NICHD Contraception and Infertility Research Loan Repayment Program (CIR-LRP or the Program). The CIR-LRP, which is authorized by Section 487B of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act (42 U.S.C. 288-2) as added by the NIH Revitalization Act of 1993 (Pub. L. 103-43), provides for the repayment of the educational loan debt of qualified health professionals (including graduate students) who agree to commit to a period of obligated service of not less than two years conducting research with respect to contraception and/or infertility. The CIR-LRP will pay up to \$20,000 of the principal and interest of such individual's educational loans for each year of obligated service. In addition to the loan repayments, the CIR-LRP will pay participants an amount equal to 39 percent of the total amount of the loan repayments made for the taxable year in order to provide reimbursement for tax liability caused

by the Program's loan repayments. The purpose of the CIR-LRP is the recruitment and retention of highly qualified health professionals conducting contraception and/or infertility research. Through this notice, the NICHD, NIH, announces changes in the eligibility criteria for participation in the CIR-LRP, and invites health professionals who meet the prescribed eligibility criteria to apply.

DATES: Interested persons who meet the eligibility requirements may request information about the CIR-LRP beginning on March 1, 1998.

Applications for participation in the CIR-LRP can be submitted at any time after April 1, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Information regarding the CIR-LRP may be obtained by contacting: Dr. Louis V. DePaolo, Coordinator, Contraception and Infertility Research Loan Repayment Program, Center for Population Research, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH, Building 61E, Rm. 8B01, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7510 (Voice: 301/496-6515; FAX: 301/496-0692; E-Mail: 1d38p@nih.gov).

Applications can be submitted at any time after April 1, 1998 to: Contraception and Infertility Research Loan Repayment Program, Center for Population Research, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH, Building 61E, Rm. 8B01, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7510. For courier deliveries, the following address should be used: Contraception and Infertility Research Loan Repayment Program, Center for Population Research, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Room 8B01, Rockville, Maryland 20851.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NIH Revitalization Act of 1993 (Pub. L. 103-43) was enacted on June 10, 1993, adding section 487B of the PHS Act (42 U.S.C. 288-2). Section 487B authorizes the Secretary of Health and Human Services in consultation with the Director of NICHD to establish a program of entering into contracts with qualified professionals under which such health professionals agree to conduct contraception and/or infertility research in consideration of the Federal Government agreeing to repay, for each year of such service, not more than \$20,000 of the principal and interest of their outstanding graduate and/or undergraduate educational loans. The Secretary, in consultation with the Director of NICHD, has established a program to provide such loan repayments. This program is known as