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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Meeting of the National Reading Panel

Notice is hereby given of the sixth Washington area meeting of the National Reading Panel. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 7, 1999, from 9:00 to 5:00 PM at the Westin Fairfax, 2100 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington, DC 20008. The entire meeting will be open to the public.

The National Reading Panel was requested by Congress and created by the Director of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development in consultation with the Secretary of Education. The Panel is studying the effectiveness of various approaches to teaching children how to read and will report on the best ways to apply these findings in classrooms and at home. Its members include prominent reading researchers, teachers, child development experts, leaders in elementary and higher education, and parents. The Chair of the Panel is Dr. Donald N. Langenberg, Chancellor of the University System of Maryland.

The Panel will build on the findings presented by the National Research Council's Committee on the Prevention of Reading Difficulties in Young Children. Based on its analysis of the scientific literature, the Panel will: Determine the readiness for application in the classroom of the results of the research studies; identify appropriate means to rapidly disseminate these results to facilitate effective reading instruction in the schools; and identify gaps in the knowledge base for reading

instruction and the best ways to close these gaps.

The agenda for this meeting will focus on the presentation of progress reports from the panel subgroups. A period of time will be set aside at approximately 4:00 PM for members of the public to address the Panel and express their views regarding the Panel's mission. Individuals desiring an opportunity to speak before the Panel should address their requests to F. William Dommel, Jr., J.D., Executive Director, National Reading Panel, c/o Ms. Amy Andryszak, and either mail them to the Widmeyer-Baker Group, 1875 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20009, or e-mail them to [amya@twbg.com](mailto:amya@twbg.com), or fax them to 202-667-0902. Requests for addressing the Panel should be received by April 5, 1999. Panel business permitting, each public speaker will be allowed five minutes to present his or her views. In the event of a large number of public speakers, the Panel Chair retains the option to further limit the presentation time allowed to each. Although the time permitted for oral presentations will be brief, the full text of all written comments submitted to the Panel will be made available to the Panel members for consideration.

For further information contact Ms. Amy Andryszak at 202-667-0901. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Ms. Amy Andryszak by April 5, 1999.

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**Duane Alexander,**

*Director, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development.*

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#### Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings

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 meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and

personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* April 2, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* J. Terrell Hoffeld, DDS, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4116, MSC 7816, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1781.

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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* April 9, 1999.

*Time:* 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Garrett V. Keefer, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4190, MSC 7808, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1152.

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

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* April 12, 1999.

*Time:* 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Washington National Airport Hilton, 2399 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

*Contact Person:* Everett E. Sinnett, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4120, MSC 7818, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1016, [ev\\_sinnett@nih.gov](mailto:ev_sinnett@nih.gov).

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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* April 12, 1999.

*Time:* 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Paul K. Strudler, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4100, MSC 7804, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1716.