

information for the NBSB to consider. All written comments must be received prior to May 15, 2009 and should be sent by e-mail to NBSB@hhs.gov with "NBSB Public Comment" as the subject line.

Oral Statements: In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public NBSB teleconference will be limited to three minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 20 minutes for all speakers. To be placed on the public participant list, you should notify the operator when you enter the call-in number.

Dated: May 5, 2009.

RADM William C. Vanderwagen,

Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Public Meeting of the Federal Coordinating Council on Comparative Effectiveness Research

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Authorized by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), the Federal Coordinating Council for Comparative Effectiveness Research will help coordinate research and guide investments in comparative effectiveness research funded by the Recovery Act. The Coordinating Council is holding this meeting to hear from the public about their views on the Council's activities.

DATES: The meeting, which is the second of three public meetings that the Coordinating Council expects to convene, will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2009, from 2:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m. CDT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the University of Illinois at Chicago Forum, 725 W. Roosevelt Rd., (MC 126) Chicago, IL 60608. In addition, the meeting will be Web cast and individuals may also participate by audioconference.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick Conway, Office of the Secretary, HHS, Telephone: 202-690-7858; E-mail: Patrick.conway@hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coordinating Council will assist the agencies of the Federal Government, including HHS, Departments of

Veterans Affairs and Defense, as well as others, to coordinate comparative effectiveness and related health services research. The Coordinating Council also will provide input on priorities for the \$400 million fund in the Recovery Act that the Secretary will allocate to advance this type of research.

The Coordinating Council will not recommend clinical guidelines for payment, coverage or treatment. The Coordinating Council will consider the needs of populations served by Federal programs and opportunities to build and expand on current investments and priorities.

Registration and Other Information About the Meeting: Individuals may participate in the meeting either by attending in person, viewing the meeting over the Internet, or by audioconference. Individuals may also nominate themselves to make a 3-minute statement before the Coordinating Council. In addition, individuals may submit written statements for the Coordinating Council's consideration, regardless of whether individuals are chosen to give an oral statement. The Coordinating Council does request that individuals nominating themselves to make an oral statement make every effort to be present to give their statement in person. However, to facilitate hearing as many different viewpoints as possible, consideration will be given to individuals who would make their oral statements via audioconference.

Oral statements, as well as written statements submitted for the Coordinating Council's consideration, should address the following kinds of questions:

- What types of investments in infrastructure for comparative effectiveness research should the Coordinating Council consider?
- What criteria should the Coordinating Council consider when evaluating different investment options?
- What Federal government activities in the area of comparative effectiveness research should the Coordinating Council focus its attention on?
- How can the Coordinating Council best foster integration of these activities across the programs managed by the Departments of Health and Human Services, Defense, and Veterans Affairs?
- What steps should the Coordinating Council consider to help ensure that public- and private-sector efforts in the area of comparative effectiveness research are mutually supportive?
- What information on the Coordinating Council's activities would be most useful?

The Office of the Secretary requests that interested persons register to participate and indicate (a) whether they will attend in person, view the Coordinating Council's meeting over the Internet, or listen by audioconference; (b) whether they are nominating themselves to give a 3-minute oral statement; and/or, (c) if they intend to submit a written statement for the Coordinating Council to consider. Per Section 3, "Ensuring Responsible Spending of Recovery Act Funds," 74 FR 12531, 12533 (March 25, 2009), individuals who wish to make an oral statement will be asked to disclose whether they are registered lobbyists.

Individuals should register to participate no later than Monday, May 11, at 5 p.m., EDT. Due to time constraints, not everyone who volunteers to make an oral statement will be able to do so. However, all statements received will be considered by the Coordinating Council as part of their deliberations.

To register, go to <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/CER/index.html>. Individuals who do not register in advance will only be able to attend the meeting in person if space is available. Information on how to view the meeting over the Internet and participate by audioconference will be sent to registered participants in advance and posted on the Recovery.gov Web site on Tuesday, May 12, 2009. The number of audioconference lines for non-registered participants may be limited.

If sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodation for a disability is needed, please contact Mr. Donald L. Inniss, Director, Office of Equal Employment Opportunity Program, Program Support Center, on (301) 443-1144.

Each public meeting is scheduled for a three-hour period, but will end sooner if participants have finished providing input before the time period expires. We are asking for input concerning specific topics as follows:

To help interested individuals prepare for the meetings, we invite review of the Act. The full text is set forth on the Internet at: <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/plaws/> (search for "Public Law 111-50").

Also, the Office of the Secretary has an e-mail notification list to provide interested parties with automatic notification of relevant information posted on Recovery.gov and the HHS Web site (<http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/CER/index.html>) concerning the Federal Coordinating Council. To be added to the e-mail notification list, send your e-mail address to CoordinatingCouncil@bls.com, and use

the words "Add me to the list" in the subject line.

Dated: May 6, 2009.

Patrick Conway,

Executive Director, Federal Coordinating Council for Comparative Effectiveness Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Proposed Collection; Comment Request; CareerTrac

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Fogarty International Center (FIC) and the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), the National Institutes of Health (NIH) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval.

Proposed Collection: Title: CareerTrac. *Type of Information Collection Request:* REVISION. *Need and Use of Information Collection:* This data collection system is being developed to track, evaluate and report short and long-term outputs, outcomes and impacts of international trainees involved in health research training programs—specifically tracking this for at least ten years following training by having Principal Investigators enter data after trainees have completed the program. The data collection system provides a streamlined, web-based application permitting principal investigators to record career achievement progress by trainee on a voluntary basis. FIC and NIEHS management will use this data to monitor, evaluate and adjust grants to ensure desired outcomes are achieved, comply with OMB Part requirements, respond to congressional inquiries, and as a guide to inform future strategic and management decisions regarding the grant program. *Frequency of Response:* Annual and periodic. *Affected Public:* None. *Type of Respondents:* Principal Investigators and/or their administrators funded by FIC and NIEHS. The annual reporting burden is as follows: *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 275; *Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 15; *Average Burden Hours per Response:* .50; and *Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested:* 2063.

The annualized cost to respondents is estimated at \$82,500: There are no Capital Costs to report. There are no Operating 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 of 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 appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, contact Dr. Linda Kupfer, Acting Director, Division of International Science Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Fogarty International Center, National Institutes of Health, 16 Center Drive, Building 16, Bethesda, MD 20892-6705 or call non-toll-free number 301-496-3288 or e-mail your request, including your address to kupferl@mail.nih.gov.

Comments Due Date: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 60 days of the date of this publication.

Dated: April 30, 2009.

Timothy J. Tosten,

Executive Officer, FIC National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Mental Health; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the

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: National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel, NIMH Translational Research.

Date: May 28, 2009.

Time: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852. (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Allan F. Mirsky, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Mental Health, NIH, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rm. 6157, MSC 9609, Bethesda, MD 20892-9609. 301-496-2551. afmirsky@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel, NIMH K99 Summer Review.

Date: June 11, 2009.

Time: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852. (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Megan Libbey, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Mental Health, NIH, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Blvd., Room 6148, MSC 9609, Rockville, MD 20852-9609. 301-402-6807. libbeym@mail.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.242, Mental Health Research Grants; 93.281, Scientist Development Award, Scientist Development Award for Clinicians, and Research Scientist Award; 93.282, Mental Health National Research Service Awards for Research Training, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: May 5, 2009.

Jennifer Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Mental Health; Notice of Closed Meetings

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