

Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine.

The meeting will be closed to the public as indicated below in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended for the review, discussion, and evaluation of individual intramural programs and projects conducted by the National Center for Complementary & Alternative Medicine, including consideration of personnel qualifications and performance, and the competence of individual investigators, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine.

Date: October 16, 2009.

Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 50, 50 South Drive, Room 1328/1334, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Robert B. Nussenblatt, MD, Acting Scientific And Clinical Director, Division of Intramural Research, NCCAM National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

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(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.213, Research and Training in Complementary and Alternative Medicine, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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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 Neurological Disorders and Stroke; Notice of Closed Meeting

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 meeting.

The meeting 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: Neurological Sciences Training Initial Review Group; NST-1 Subcommittee.

Date: October 5-6, 2009.

Time: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: The Fairmont Washington, DC, 2401 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Raul A. Saavedra, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Research, NINDS/NIH/DHHS, NSC; 6001 Executive Blvd., Ste. 3208, Bethesda, MD 20892-9529, 301-496-9223, saavedrr@ninds.nih.gov.

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.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.853, Clinical Research Related to Neurological Disorders; 93.854, Biological Basis Research in the Neurosciences, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; 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 Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; The NIDDK-KUH Fellowship Review Committee.

Date: October 16, 2009.

Time: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call)

Contact Person: Xiaodu Guo, MD, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 761, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892-5452, (301) 594-4719, guox@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Pulse Wave Velocity in CKD Ancillary Studies.

Date: October 23, 2009.

Time: 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call)

Contact Person: Michele L. Barnard, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 753, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892-2542, (301) 594-8898, barnardm@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Inflammation and Obesity.

Date: November 2, 2009.

Time: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call)

Contact Person: Maria E. Davila-Bloom, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 758, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892-5452, (301) 594-7637, davila-bloomm@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Inflammatory Bowel Disease.

Date: November 20, 2009.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Bethesda Marriott Suites, 6711 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20817.

Contact Person: Maria E. Davila-Bloom, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 758, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892-5452, (301) 594-7637, davila-bloomm@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.847, Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Research; 93.848, Digestive Diseases and Nutrition Research; 93.849, Kidney Diseases, Urology and Hematology Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Council of Public Representatives (COPR, <http://copr.nih.gov/>) and the Office of Communications and Public Liaison (OCPL), Office of the Director, NIH (<http://www.nih.gov/icd/od/ocpl/index.html>); Request for Information (RFI) on Consumer Health Information Interests and Behaviors for Seeking and Using Health Information

ACTION: Request for Information (RFI) on Consumer Health Information Interests and Behaviors for Seeking and Using Health Information.

DATES: *Response Date:* December 30, 2009.

Introduction: Request for Information

January 21, 2009, President Obama issued a directive to all Federal agencies calling for greater transparency, public participation, and collaboration.

In response to this Directive, and in keeping with the work that has already been done by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to encourage public input and provide science-based health resources and science information to the public, NIH posts this Request for Information (RFI) to offer a new public input opportunity. The RFI will provide insight and better understanding of the health information needs and information-seeking behaviors of NIH health consumer audiences. Information gathered will assist the agency in developing and disseminating health, medical, and scientific information to a broader variety of audiences. The

agency anticipates using new outreach strategies and tools, from community-level outlets to Internet-based social media. Members of the public as well as organizations are invited and encouraged to participate in this public input opportunity.

The RFI is a collaborative effort between the NIH Office of Communications and Public Liaison (OCPL) and the NIH Director's Council of Public Representatives (COPR). COPR is a Federal Advisory Committee covered by the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). The COPR is composed of up to 21 members of the public who provide the public's perspective into the NIH research priority-setting process as well as the Agency's public health education and public engagement efforts.

NIH is part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and is the primary Federal agency for conducting and supporting biomedical and behavioral research. NIH is the steward of medical and behavioral research for the Nation. Composed of 27 Institutes and Centers, the NIH provides leadership and financial support to researchers in more than 3,000 institutions in all 50 States, the territories and in more than 90 countries around the world. Its mission is science in pursuit of fundamental knowledge about the nature and behavior of living systems and the application of that knowledge to extend healthy life and reduce the burdens of illness and disability.

NIH also has a responsibility to communicate science-based, trustworthy public health and science information to a wide range of audiences, including the public at large, patients, family members, health care providers, scientists, public health workers, nonprofit health organizations, and professional societies. These audiences have differing needs for the information available from the NIH. Building on its previous experience and record of success, NIH recognizes the need to communicate cutting-edge research advances to ensure continued improved health for all Americans in a changing media and information environment. For background information on the RFI, please visit this Web site <http://nihhealthinfoRFI.nih.gov>.

Information Requested

The Request for Information (RFI) serves as a vehicle to obtain public comments on how NIH can best address communication challenges and requirements for the 21st century in the

face of increased demands and shrinking resources.

The purpose of the RFI is to obtain information aimed at helping the NIH strengthen short- and long-term communications strategies while identifying cost-effective, meritorious, innovative, and legally sanctioned methods and outlets for disseminating health information to the public. Specifically, the RFI seeks information on the following:

- The current state and range of health information-seeking behaviors and trends;
- The range of health information of interest to the public;
- How the public accesses and uses health information; and
- The barriers that might impede NIH's ability to communicate with health consumers.

Submitting Responses

Responses will be accepted through December 30, 2009. Please limit responses to the maximum number of words indicated for each response.

Responses may be submitted on the Web, by e-mail or by postal mail. See below for instructions.

1. Visit the Consumer Health Information Request for Information Web Site at <http://nihhealthinfoRFI.nih.gov> to submit responses on the Web or to download the response sheet to submit by e-mail or mail.

2. Complete the RFI questions attached in typed or written format. Responders should complete either the Requested Response for Health Consumers or the Requested Response for Organizations and Health Care Providers.

3. E-mail typed responses to this address HealthInfoRFI@mail.nih.gov.

4. Mail typed or handwritten responses to Kelli Carrington or Marin Allen, Ph.D., Office of Communications and Public Liaison, National Institutes of Health, 1 Center Drive, Room 344, Bethesda, MD 20892-0188.

Privacy Act Notification Statement

Collection of this information is authorized under 5 U.S.C. 301; 44 U.S.C. 3101. The primary use of this information is to obtain information from the public aimed at helping the National Institutes of Health strengthen short- and long-term communications strategies while identifying cost-effective, meritorious, innovative, and legally sanctioned methods and outlets for disseminating health information to the public. Upon completion of the Request for Information activities, the NIH Director's Council of Public