

*Respondents/Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 30.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 2,400.

*Abstract:* Title IX, Part C, Sections 9301–9306, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended, authorizes the Secretary of Education to provide States the option of submitting consolidated applications to obtain funds for covered programs in which the State participates. The purpose of consolidated applications as defined in ESEA is to improve teaching and learning by encouraging greater cross-program coordination, planning, and service delivery; to enhance program integration; and to provide greater flexibility and less burden for State educational agencies.

The Department will use the information from the consolidated State application as the basis for approving funding under the covered ESEA, as amended programs (in which the State participates). The Department also will use the performance targets, baseline data, and other related information in the consolidated application to continue to assess the degree of progress States make over time in achieving ESEA goals. As with previous collections, the information in this collection will allow the Department to continue to monitor effectiveness of the use of program funds, and provide grantees with technical assistance.

Dated: August 26, 2014.

**Tomakie Washington,**

*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics Meeting

**AGENCY:** White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics, Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Announcement of an Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and agenda of the ninth meeting of the President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics. The notice also describes the functions of the Commission. Notice of the meeting is required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory

Committee Act and intended to notify the public of its opportunity to attend. Due to unexpected complications in securing adequate meeting space coupled with the immediate need to establish a plan of activities for the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics' 25th Anniversary scheduled to begin on or about September 2014, this notice is being published late.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Central Daylight Time.

**ADDRESSES:** Durango Building, Southwest Room, 1.124, The University of Texas at San Antonio, Downtown Campus, 501 Cesar E. Chavez Blvd., San Antonio, TX 78207.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Emmanuel Caudillo, Special Advisor, White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics, 400 Maryland Ave. SW., Room 4W108, Washington, DC 20202; telephone: 202–401–1411.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics (the Commission) is established by Executive Order 13555 (Oct. 19, 2010; reestablished December 12, 2012). The Commission is governed by the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), (Pub. L. 92–463; as amended, 5 U.S.C.A., Appendix 2) which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees. The purpose of the Commission is to advise the President and the Secretary of Education on all matters pertaining to the education attainment of the Hispanic community.

The Commission shall advise the President and the Secretary in the following areas: (i) Developing, implementing, and coordinating educational programs and initiatives at the Department and other agencies to improve educational opportunities and outcomes for Hispanics of all ages; (ii) increasing the participation of the Hispanic community and Hispanic-Serving Institutions in the Department's programs and in education programs at other agencies; (iii) engaging the philanthropic, business, nonprofit, and education communities in a national dialogue regarding the mission and objectives of this order; (iv) establishing partnerships with public, private, philanthropic, and nonprofit stakeholders to meet the mission and policy objectives of this order.

*Meeting:* The Commission will provide updates to its activities and engagement efforts on key priorities, and hold breakout sessions with the established subcommittees: Early

Learning; K–12; and Higher Education. There will be discussion focusing on the Commission's 25th Anniversary in 2015.

Individuals who wish to attend the Commission meeting must RSVP by 12 noon EDT, Friday, August 29, 2014, to [WHIEEH@ed.gov](mailto:WHIEEH@ed.gov).

An opportunity for public comment will be available on Wednesday, September 3, 2014, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., CDT. Individuals who wish to provide comments will be allowed three minutes to speak. Those members of the public interested in submitting written comments may do so by submitting them to the attention of Emmanuel Caudillo, White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave. SW., Room 4W108, Washington, DC 20202, by Friday, August 29, 2014 or via email at [WHIEEH@ed.gov](mailto:WHIEEH@ed.gov).

**Reasonable Accommodations:** Individuals who will need accommodations in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, or material in alternative format) should notify Emmanuel Caudillo, Special Advisor, White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics at 202–401–1411, no later than Wednesday, August 27, 2014. We will attempt to meet requests for such accommodations after this date, but cannot guarantee their availability. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

**Access to Records of the Meeting:** Records are kept of all Commission proceedings and are available for public inspection at the office of the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave. SW., Room 4W108, Washington, DC 20202, Monday through Friday (excluding federal holidays) during the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EDT.

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**Ted Mitchell,**

*Under Secretary, U.S. Department of Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Record of Decision To Withdraw From Production and Distribution of the Radioisotope Germanium-68 Used for Calibration Sources

**AGENCY:** Office of Science, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Record of Decision.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (Department or DOE) Isotope Program, within the Office of Science, currently produces and distributes the radioisotope germanium-68 (Ge-68). There are two primary uses of the Ge-68: In the manufacture of calibration sources for Positron Emission Tomography (PET) scanners used for diagnostic medical imaging; and in the manufacture of germanium-68/gallium-68 (Ge-68/Ga-68) generators, which provide Ga-68 as a positron source in radiopharmaceuticals used in PET imaging.

The Department published a Notice of Inquiry and Request for comment in the **Federal Register**, on March 8, 2013, concerning its consideration of withdrawal from commercial production of Ge-68. The Department received numerous comments in response to this Notice of Inquiry, evaluated substantial information provided by one private domestic company seeking the Department's withdrawal, and assessed other available information. The Department determined that Ge-68 is reasonably available from the commercial sector for use in the manufacture of calibration sources but not for use in Ge-68/Ga-68 generators. The Department published a Notice of Intent and Request for comment in the **Federal Register**, on April 9, 2014, to provide the public with notice and seek public comment on the Department's intent to withdraw from the production and distribution of Ge-68 used in the manufacture of calibration sources, while maintaining its current position in the production and distribution of Ge-68 for Ge-68/Ga-68 generators. Three comments in response

to this Notice of Intent were received and assessed by the Department to conclude the evaluation process with this Record of Decision. The Department's decision is to: (1) Withdraw from sales of Ge-68 for the purpose of fabricating calibration sources, while maintaining production capability in the event circumstances change; (2) maintain its current position in the production and distribution of Ge-68 for use in the manufacture of Ge-68/Ga-68 generators; and (3) require the Department's Ge-68 customers to sign an end-use statement that the Ge-68 will be used only in the fabrication of Ge-68/Ga-68 generators.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Marc Garland, Program Manager, Office of Nuclear Physics, Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy, Germantown Building, SC-26.2, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585, Tel: 301-903-9576.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** It is the Department's policy to refrain from competition with private industry in the commercial production and distribution of radioisotopes when those radioisotopes are reasonably available commercially. This policy was announced in the **Federal Register** notice, 30 FR 3247 (March 9, 1965), entitled "Policies and Procedures for Transfer of Commercial Radioisotope Production and Distribution to Private Industry" ("Statement of Policy"). The Statement of Policy provides criteria and guidance on withdrawal from the market and states that when the Department determines to voluntarily withdraw from the commercial production and distribution of particular radioisotopes, it will publish a notice of such intent for public comment.

#### Background

The Department currently produces and distributes the radioisotope Ge-68. The Department was made aware of domestic private industry development of commercial production and distribution of this radioisotope in the United States, in addition to the distribution in the United States of the radioisotope produced by foreign entities. In light of these circumstances, a Notice of Inquiry and Request for comment entitled "Consideration of Withdrawal from Commercial Production and Distribution of the Radioisotope Germanium-68" ("Notice of Inquiry") was published in the **Federal Register**, 78 FR 15009 (March 8, 2013), announcing the Department's intent to conduct an evaluation and to request comments and information from

the public for consideration in the evaluation.

The Department received numerous comments in response to the Notice of Inquiry from private citizens affected by the use of Ge-68 in Ge-68/Ga-68 generators critical in medical imaging for certain cancers, and from some private companies involved in the manufacture of products for medical purposes. The Department conducted an evaluation of all available information, including all comments received in response to the Notice of Inquiry, and subsequently published a Notice of Intent to Withdraw from Production and Distribution of the Radioisotope Germanium-68 Used for Calibration Sources ("Notice of Intent and Request for Comment") ("NOI") in the **Federal Register**, 79 FR 19610 (April 9, 2014). The NOI announced the Department's intent to withdraw from production of Ge-68 for the manufacture of calibration sources, but to maintain production and distribution of Ge-68 for Ge-68/Ga-68 generators. To provide assurance of supply of Ge-68 for calibration source purposes, the Department announced that it would maintain production capability but not engage in sales to the marketplace. Sales of Ge-68 for calibration sources would end by April 30, 2014, and thereafter customers would be required to sign an end-use statement that the Ge-68 would be used in the fabrication of Ge-68/Ga-68 generators. The NOI presented the basis for the Department's proposed actions and solicited comments regarding those actions.

#### Evaluation and Determination

The Department received three comments in response to the NOI, two from the general public and one from private industry. The responses from the general public were received from a university researcher involved in Ga-68 radiopharmaceutical development and a cancer patient who benefits from the use of Ga-68 radiopharmaceuticals; both responses were in support of the Department's announced intent to maintain production for use in Ge-68/Ga-68 generators. Neither commenter objected to the Department's withdrawal from the production and distribution of Ge-68 used in calibration sources.

The response received from private industry, Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals, supported the Department's announced intent to withdraw from production of Ge-68 for the manufacture of calibration sources, but provided additional information and requested the Department reconsider the announced intent to maintain production and distribution of Ge-68 for Ge-68/Ga-68