DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH); Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of an Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee (IACC or Committee) meeting.

The meeting will be open to the public, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

Name of Committee: Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee (IACC).

Type of Meeting: Open Meeting.

Date: Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.* Eastern Time

* Approximate end time.

Agenda: To discuss business, updates, and issues related to ASD research and services activities.

Place: Hilton Washington DC/Rockville Hotel and Executive Meeting Center, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Webcast Live: https://videocast.nih.gov.

Conference Call Access: Dial: 1–888–829–8668, Access code: 1308901.

Cost: The meeting is free and open to the public.

Registration: A registration web link will be posted on the IACC website (*www.iacc.hhs.gov*) prior to the meeting. Pre-registration is recommended to expedite check-in. Seating in the meeting room is limited to room capacity and on a first come, first served basis. Onsite registration will also be available.

Deadlines: Notification of intent to present oral comments: Friday, January 4, 2019 by 5:00 p.m. ET. Submission of written/electronic statement for oral comments: Tuesday, January 8, 2019 by 5:00 p.m. ET. Submission of written comments: Tuesday, January 8, 2019 by 5:00 p.m. ET. Webcast Live Feedback Public comments: No preregistration required. For instructions, see *https://iacc.hhs.gov/meetings/iacc-meetings/2019/full-committee-meeting/january16/live-feedback.shtml.* For IACC Public Comment guidelines please see: *https://iacc.hhs.gov/meetings/public-comments/guidelines/.*

Access: Twinbrook Metro Station (Red Line).

Contact Person: Ms. Angelice Mitrakas, Office of Autism Research Coordination, National Institute of Mental Health, NIH, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Room 6182A, Bethesda, MD 20892–9669, Phone: 301–435–9269, Email: *IACCPublicInquiries@mail.nih.gov.*

Public Comments: Any member of the public interested in presenting oral comments to the Committee must notify the Contact Person listed on this notice by 5:00 p.m. ET on Friday, January 4, 2019 with their request to present oral comments at the meeting, and a written/electronic copy of the oral presentation/statement must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. ET on Tuesday, January 8, 2019.

A limited number of slots for oral comments are available, and to ensure that as many different individuals can present throughout the year as possible, any given individual only will be permitted to present oral comments once per calendar year (2019). Only one representative of an organization will be allowed to present oral comments in any given meeting; other representatives of the same group may provide written comments. If the oral comment session is full, individuals who could not be accommodated are welcome to provide written comments instead. Comments to be read or presented in the meeting will be assigned a 3–5 minutes time slot depending on the number of comments, but a longer version may be submitted in writing for the record. Commenters going beyond their allotted time in the meeting may be asked to conclude immediately to allow other comments and presentations to proceed on schedule.

Any interested person may submit written public comments to the IACC prior to the meeting by emailing the comments to *IACCPublicInquiries@mail.nih.gov* or by submitting comments at the web link: *https://iacc.hhs.gov/meetings/public-comments/submit/index.jsp* by 5:00 p.m. ET on Tuesday, January 8, 2019. The comments should include the name, address, telephone number, and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person. NIMH anticipates written public comments received by 5:00 p.m. ET on Tuesday, January 8, 2019, will be presented to the Committee prior to the meeting for the Committee's consideration. Any written comments received after the 5:00 p.m. ET, January 8, 2019 deadline through January 16, 2019, will be provided to the Committee either before or after the meeting, depending on the volume of comments received and the time required to process them in accordance with privacy regulations and other applicable Federal policies. All written public comments and oral public comment statements received by the deadlines for both oral and written public comments will be provided to the IACC for their consideration and will become part of the public record. Attachments of copyrighted publications are not permitted, but web links or citations for any copyrighted works cited may be provided.

Individuals may also submit public comments to the IACC via a Live Feedback Form accessible from the webcast page on the day of the meeting from 9:00 a.m. ET to 11:00 a.m. ET. No pre-registration required. The link will be accessible on the NIH Videocast website and instructions are available on the IACC website: *https://iacc.hhs.gov/meetings/iacc-meetings/2019/full-committee-meeting/january16/live-feedback.shtml.* This format is best suited for brief questions and comments for the committee. Submissions will be provided to the IACC and will become a part of the public record.

In the 2016–2017 IACC Strategic Plan, the IACC listed the ''Spirit of Collaboration'' as one of its core values, stating that, ''We will treat others with respect, listen with open minds to the diverse views of people on the autism spectrum and their families, thoughtfully consider community input, and foster discussions where participants can comfortably where participants can comfortably offer opposing opinions.'' In keeping with this core value, the IACC and the NIMH Office of Autism Research Coordination (OARC) ask that members of the public who provide public comments or participate in meetings of the IACC also seek to treat others with respect and consideration in their communications and actions, even when discussing issues of genuine concern or disagreement.

Remote Access: The meeting will be open to the public through a conference call phone number and webcast live on the internet. Members of the public who participate using the conference call phone number will be able to listen to the meeting but will not be heard. If you experience any technical problems with the webcast or conference call, please send an email to *IACCPublicInquiries@mail.nih.gov* or call 240–668–0302.

Disability Accommodations: All IACC Full Meetings provide Closed Captioning through the NIH videocast website. Remote CART is provided through a web application and will be available at all meetings; the application can be used on a laptop computer or mobile device. For details please inquire with the Contact Person listed on the notice.

Individuals whose full participation in the meeting will require special accommodations (*e.g.,* sign language, or interpreting services, etc.) must submit a request to the Contact Person listed on the notice at least seven (7) business days prior to the meeting. Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed and a way for the IACC to contact the requester if more information is needed to fill the request. Special requests should be made as early as possible; last minute requests may be made but may not be possible to accommodate.

Security: Visitors will be asked to sign in and show one form of identification (for example, a government-issued photo ID, driver's license, or passport) at the meeting registration desk during the check-in process. Pre-registration is recommended. Seating will be limited to the room capacity and seats will be on a first come, first served basis, with expedited check-in for those who are pre-registered.

Meeting schedule subject to change.

Information about the IACC is available on the website: *http://www.iacc.hhs.gov.*

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