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You may submit comments on any guidance at any time (see 21 CFR 10.115(g)(5)).

Submit written requests for single copies of this guidance to the Division of Drug Information, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 10001 New Hampshire Ave., Hillandale Building, 4th Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20993–0002, or to the Office of Communication, Outreach and Development, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 71, Rm. 7301, Silver Spring, MD 20993–0002, or to the Office of Communication, Outreach and Development, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 51, Rm. 1146, Silver Spring, MD 20993–0002. Send one self-addressed adhesive label to assist that office in processing your requests. See the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for electronic access to the draft guidance document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Meghana Chalasani, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 71, Rm. 3128, Silver Spring, MD 20993–0002. Send one self-addressed adhesive label to assist that office in processing your requests. See the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for electronic access to the draft guidance document.

I. Background

FDA is announcing the availability of a draft guidance for industry, FDA staff, and other stakeholders entitled “Patient-Focused Drug Development: Methods To Identify What Is Important to Patients.” This guidance (Guidance 2) is the second in a series of four methodological patient-focused drug development guidance documents that FDA committed to develop to describe how stakeholders (patients, researchers, medical product developers, and others) can collect and submit information from patients and caregivers to be used for medical product development and regulatory decision-making. This series of guidance documents is intended to facilitate the advancement and use of systematic approaches to collect and use robust and meaningful patient and caregiver input that can more consistently inform medical product development and regulatory decision-making. The purpose of Guidance 2 is to present a range of methods and established best research practices to identify what is important to patients with respect to burden of disease, burden of treatment, and the benefits and risks in the management of the patient’s disease. The methods and best practices presented can help elicit relevant information from patients and other stakeholders, such as how their disease affects their daily lives; what they find most troublesome; and the challenges, problems, and burdens of the treatment for the disease.

This draft guidance is being issued consistent with FDA’s good guidance practices regulation (21 CFR 10.115). The draft guidance, when finalized, will represent the current thinking of FDA on “Patient-Focused Drug Development: Methods To Identify What Is Important to Patients.” It does not establish any rights for any person and is not binding on FDA or the public. You can use an alternative approach if it satisfies the requirements of the applicable statutes and regulations. This guidance is not subject to Executive Order 12866.

II. Additional Information

Section 3002 of Title III, Subtitle A of the 21st Century Cures Act (Pub. L. 114–255), directs FDA to develop patient-focused drug development guidance to address a number of areas, including under section 3002(c)(2) (methodological approaches that may be used to develop and identify what is important to patients with respect to burden of disease, burden of treatment, and the benefits and risks in the management of the patient’s disease).

In addition, FDA committed to meet certain performance goals under the sixth authorization of the Prescription Drug User Fee Act. These goal commitments were developed in consultation with patient and consumer advocates, healthcare professionals, and other public stakeholders, as part of negotiations with regulated industry. Section J.1 of the commitment letter, “Enhancing the Incorporation of the Patient’s Voice in Drug Development and Decision-Making” (available at https://www.fda.gov/media/99140/download), outlines work, including the development of a series of guidance documents and associated public workshops to facilitate the advancement and use of systematic approaches to collect and use robust and meaningful patient and caregiver input that can more consistently inform drug development, and, as appropriate, regulatory decision-making.

III. Electronic Access


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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 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 contract proposals and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; RNCP-Wide Dosimetry Guidance & Monitoring of Sources and Irradiation Protocols (Clinical Trial Not Allowed).

Date: October 22, 2019.

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Room 5C42B, Bethesda, MD 20892–3228.

Contact Person: Louis A. Rosenthal, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, Room 3C42B, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 5601 Fishers Lane, MSC 3834, Bethesda, MD 20892–3228, (240) 669–5070, rosenthal@niaid.nih.gov.
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Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Global Infectious Disease Research Administration Development Award for Low-and Middle-Income Country Institutions (G11).

Date: October 16, 2019.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Ann Marie M. Brighenti, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Program Management & Operations Branch, Division of Extramural Activities/Scientific Review Program, RM 3E71, National Institutes of Health, NIAID, 5601 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20892, 301–761–3000, cruzar@ niaid.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Centers for Medical Countermeasures Against Radiation Consortium.

Date: October 23–25, 2019.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hotel Palomar, 2121 P Street NW, Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Julio C. Aliberti, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Immunology Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities/Scientific Review Program, 3G53A, National Institutes of Health, NIAID, 5601 Fishers Lane, MSC 9823, Rockville, MD 20892–9823, 301–761–7322, julio.aliberti@ nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Meeting of the Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections (SACHRP) will hold a meeting that will be open to the public. Information about SACHRP and the full meeting agenda will be posted on the SACHRP website at: http://www.dhhs.gov/ohrp/sachrp-committee/meetings/index.html.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., and Thursday, October 17, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: 6700B Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20817.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia Gorey, J.D., Executive Director, SACHRP; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 200, Rockville, Maryland 20852; telephone: 240–453–8141; fax: 240–453–6909; email address: SACHRP@dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 217a, Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, SACHRP was established to provide expert advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, through the Assistant Secretary for Health, on issues and topics pertaining to or associated with the protection of human research subjects.

The Subpart A Subcommittee (SAS) was established by SACHRP in October 2006 and is charged with developing recommendations for consideration by SACHRP regarding the application of subpart A of 45 CFR part 46 in the current research environment.

The Subcommittee on Harmonization (SOH) was established by SACHRP at its July 2009 meeting and charged with identifying and prioritizing areas in which regulations and/or guidelines for human subjects research adopted by various agencies or offices within HHS would benefit from harmonization, consistency, clarity, simplification and/or coordination.

The SACHRP meeting will open to the public at 8:30 a.m., on Wednesday, October 16, 2019, followed by opening remarks from Dr. Jerry Menikoff, Director of OHRP and Dr. Stephen Rosenfeld, SACHRP Chair.

The SAS Subcommittee will discuss their revised recommendation questions posed to SACHRP regarding Decreased Organ Intervention Research (DDIR), with an emphasis on recipient informed consent. This will be followed by a discussion of Ethical Issues and Regulatory Considerations Regarding Re-consent, and Charging Subjects to Participate in Clinical Trials. The meeting is scheduled to end at approximately 4:30 p.m.

The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, October 17, 2019. The SOH Subcommittee will discuss draft recommendations regarding End User Licensing Agreements & Terms of Service; Considerations for IRB Review, and finally, Site Monitoring under the New sIRB Mandate. Additional time is reserved for emerging topics and continuing the previous day’s discussions. The meeting will adjourn at approximately 3:00 p.m.

Time will be allotted for public comment on both days. On-site registration is required for participation in the live public comment session. Note that public comment must be relevant to topics currently being addressed by the SACHRP. Individuals submitting written statements as public comment should email or fax their comments to SACHRP at SACHRP@hhs.gov at least five business days prior to the meeting.

Public attendance at the meeting is limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify one of the designated SACHRP points of contact at the address/phone number listed above at least one week prior to the meeting.