

programs accept applications from potential candidates for review and selection.

The purpose of this project is to efficiently and effectively recruit and select qualified individuals to participate in the CDD professional training programs by collecting information through an online application management system.

This online application provides the CDD with the information necessary to recruit qualified professionals to participate in public health professions training programs to build critical public health workforce capacity in epidemiology, preventive medicine, prevention effectiveness/health economics, public health informatics,

and public health management and leadership. Further benefit from this online application is the reduction of duplicate candidate records as well as agency resources to administer and process paper records.

The application process includes the following: Submission of the responses to the questions in the online application; submission of academic transcripts, professional credentials, and letters of recommendation; a review by selected programmatic staff and expert panel members; selection of qualified candidates for interview; interview of candidates; and selection of trainees for programs.

The online application questions ask for demographic data, academic history,

professional experience, references and description of professional goals. The application questions and data collected are necessary to the application process to determine programmatic eligibility and to ensure that the most highly qualified candidates are chosen for the training programs.

With the exception of their time, the cost to the candidates is minor. One expense depends on their academic institutions since they must obtain and submit all of their academic transcripts. Another expense depends on the cost to obtain and submit other professional credentials including professional licenses and certifications. The final expense is the cost to submit letters of recommendation.

**ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS**

| Respondents                              | Number of respondents | Responses per respondent | Average burden per response (in hours) | Total burden (in hours) |
|--|-----------------------|--------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Fellowship and Training Candidates ..... | 600                   | 1                        | 1                                      | 600                     |

Dated: September 19, 2007.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Food and Drug Administration**

**Request for Nominations for Voting Members on Public Advisory Committee, Veterinary Medicine Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is requesting nominations for voting members to serve on the Veterinary Medicine Advisory Committee (VMAC), Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM).

FDA has a special interest in ensuring that women, minority groups, and individuals with disabilities are adequately represented on advisory committees and, therefore, encourages nominations of qualified candidates from these groups.

**DATES:** Nominations received on or before October 30, 2007, will be given first consideration for membership on the Veterinary Medicine Advisory Committee. Nominations received after October 30, 2007, will be considered for

nomination to the committee should nominees still be needed.

**ADDRESSES:** All Nomination for membership should be sent electronically to [CV@FDA.HHS.GOV](mailto:CV@FDA.HHS.GOV), or by mail to Advisory Committee Oversight & Management Staff, 5600 Fisher Lane, HF-4, rm. 15A-12, Rockville, MD 20857.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Regarding all nomination questions for membership, the primary contact is Aleta Sindelar, Center for Veterinary Medicine (HFV-6), Food and Drug Administration, 7519 Standish Pl., Rockville, MD 20855, 240-276-9004, FAX: 240-276-9020, e-mail: [Aleta.Sindelar@FDA.HHS.GOV](mailto:Aleta.Sindelar@FDA.HHS.GOV). Information about becoming a member on a FDA advisory committee can also be obtained by visiting FDA's Web site by using the following link <http://www.fda.gov/oc/advisory/default.htm>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** FDA is requesting nomination for voting members on the Veterinary Medicine Advisory Committee.

**I. Function of the Veterinary Medicine Advisory Committee**

The Committee reviews and evaluates available data concerning the safety and effectiveness of marketed and investigational new animal drugs, feeds, and devices for use in the treatment and prevention of animal diseases and increased animal production, and makes appropriate recommendations to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs

regarding scientific issues and regulatory policies.

**II. Criteria for Voting Member**

FDA is requesting nominations of voting members with appropriate expertise in the following veterinary specialties: companion animal medicine, food animal medicine (avian, bovine, porcine and minor species), microbial food safety and risk assessment, biometrics, toxicology, pathology, pharmacology, animal science, epidemiology.

**III. Nomination Procedures**

Any interested person may nominate one or more qualified persons for membership on one the advisory committee. Self-nominations are also accepted. Nominations shall include the name of the committee, a complete curriculum vitae of each nominee, and their current business address and telephone number and e-mail address if available. Each nomination shall state that the nominee is aware of the nomination, is willing to serve as a member, and appears to have no conflict of interest that would preclude membership. FDA will ask the potential candidates to provide detailed information concerning such matters as financial holdings, employment, and research grants and/or contracts to permit evaluation of possible sources of conflict of interest.

This notice is issued under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5

U.S.C. app.2) and 21 CFR part 14 relating to advisory committees.

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**Randall W. Lutter,**

*Deputy Commissioner for Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 2005D-0155]

#### Guidance for Industry: Toxicity Grading Scale for Healthy Adult and Adolescent Volunteers Enrolled in Preventive Vaccine Clinical Trials; Availability

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of a document entitled "Guidance for Industry: Toxicity Grading Scale for Healthy Adult and Adolescent Volunteers Enrolled in Preventive Vaccine Clinical Trials," dated September 2007. The guidance document provides sponsors of vaccine trials with recommendations on assessing the severity of clinical and laboratory abnormalities in healthy adult and adolescent volunteers enrolled in clinical trials. In particular, the guidance includes toxicity grading scale tables to use as a guideline for selecting the assessment criteria. The guidance announced in this notice finalizes the draft guidance of the same title dated April 2005.

**DATES:** Submit written or electronic comments on agency guidances at any time.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written requests for single copies of the guidance to the Office of Communication, Training, and Manufacturers Assistance (HFM-40), Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER), Food and Drug Administration, 1401 Rockville Pike, suite 200N, Rockville, MD 20852-1448. Send one self-addressed adhesive label to assist the office in processing your requests. The guidance may also be obtained by mail by calling CBER at 1-800-835-4709 or 301-827-1800. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for electronic access to the guidance document.

Submit written comments on the guidance to the Division of Dockets Management (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm.

1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Submit electronic comments to either <http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments> or <http://www.regulations.gov>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda R. Friend, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (HFM-17), Food and Drug Administration, 1401 Rockville Pike, suite 200N, Rockville, MD 20852-1448, 301-827-6210.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

FDA is announcing the availability of a document entitled "Guidance for Industry: Toxicity Grading Scale for Healthy Adult and Adolescent Volunteers Enrolled in Preventive Vaccine Clinical Trials," dated September 2007. The guidance provides sponsors of vaccine trials with toxicity grading scale tables as a guideline when selecting the criteria to assess the severity of clinical and laboratory abnormalities in healthy adult and adolescent volunteers enrolled in clinical trials of a preventive vaccine. FDA recommends the incorporation of such appropriate, uniform criteria into the investigational plan, case report forms, and study reports and correspondence with FDA, sponsors, monitors, investigators, and institutional review boards. The parameters in the tables are not necessarily applicable to every clinical trial of healthy volunteers. The parameters monitored should be appropriate for the specific study vaccine. In addition, the use of toxicity grading scales to categorize adverse events observed during clinical trials does not replace regulatory requirements to monitor, investigate, and report adverse events.

In the **Federal Register** of May 2, 2005 (70 FR 22664), FDA announced the availability of the draft guidance of the same title dated April 2005. FDA received several comments on the draft guidance and those comments were considered as the guidance was finalized. A summary of changes includes: (1) Clarification of the clinical toxicity parameters and (2) revision of laboratory parameter limit values based on additional published data. The guidance announced in this notice finalizes the draft guidance dated April 2005.

The guidance is being issued consistent with FDA's good guidance practices regulation (21 CFR 10.115). The guidance represents FDA's current thinking on this topic. It does not create or confer any rights for or on any person and does not operate to bind FDA or the public. An alternative approach may be

used if such approach satisfies the requirements of the applicable statutes and regulations.

##### II. Comments

Interested persons may, at any time, submit to the Division of Dockets Management (see **ADDRESSES**) written or electronic comments regarding the guidance. Submit a single copy of electronic comments or two paper copies of any mailed comments, except that individuals may submit one paper copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in the brackets in the heading of this document. A copy of the guidance and received comments are available for public examination in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

##### III. Electronic Access

Persons with access to the Internet may obtain the guidance at either <http://www.fda.gov/cber/guidelines.htm> or <http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets/default.htm>.

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**Jeffrey Shuren,**

*Assistant Commissioner for Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket No. FEMA-2007-0008]

#### National Advisory Council; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the date, time, location and agenda for the inaugural meeting of the National Advisory Council (NAC). At the meeting, members will be introduced and sworn in and the Chair and Vice Chair will be introduced. Members will also receive briefings on the status of the reorganized Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and its programs, and to discuss the vision, priorities and structure for the NAC. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES: Meeting Dates:** Monday, October 22, 2007, 9:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday, October 23, 2007, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A public comment period will