

guidelines which have been promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as a final rule, advice on methods of dose reconstruction which have also been promulgated by HHS as a final rule, advice on the scientific validity and quality of dose estimation and reconstruction efforts being performed for purposes of the compensation program, and advice on petitions to add classes of workers to the Special Exposure Cohort.

In December 2000, the President delegated responsibility for funding, staffing, and operating the Advisory Board to HHS, which subsequently delegated this authority to the CDC. NIOSH implements this responsibility for CDC. The charter was issued on August 3, 2001, renewed at appropriate intervals, and will expire on August 3, 2009.

**Purpose:** This Advisory Board is charged with (a) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the development of guidelines under Executive Order 13179; (b) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the scientific validity and quality of dose (c) upon request by the Secretary, HHS, advising the Secretary on whether there is a class of employees at any Department of Energy facility who were exposed to radiation but for whom it is not feasible to estimate their radiation dose, and on whether there is reasonable likelihood that such radiation doses may have endangered the health of members of this class.

**Matters To Be Discussed:** The agenda for the Advisory Board meeting includes: NIOSH Program Status Update; Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) Petitions for: Pantex; Connecticut Aircraft Nuclear Engine Laboratory (CANEL); SEC Petition Updates: Chapman Valve; Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) Petition Status Update(s); Department of Labor (DOL) Update; Department of Energy (DOE) Update; Work Group reports; Subcommittee on Dose Reconstruction Reviews Report; and Board Future Plans and Schedules.

The agenda is subject to change as priorities dictate.

In the event an individual cannot attend, written comments may be submitted according to the policy provided below. Any written comments received will be provided at the meeting and should be submitted to the contact person below well in advance of the meeting.

Policy on Redaction of Board Meeting Transcripts (Public Comment), if a person making a comment gives his or her name, no attempt will be made to redact that name. NIOSH will take

reasonable steps to ensure that individuals making public comment are aware of the fact that their comments (including their name, if provided) will appear in a transcript of the meeting posted on a public Web site. Such reasonable steps include: (a) A statement read at the start of each public comment period stating that transcripts will be posted and names of speakers will not be redacted; (b) A printed copy of the statement mentioned in (a) above will be displayed on the table where individuals sign up to make public comment; (c) A statement such as outlined in (a) above will also appear with the agenda for a Board Meeting when it is posted on the NIOSH Web site; (d) A statement such as in (a) above will appear in the **Federal Register** notice that announces Board and Subcommittee meetings. If an individual in making a statement reveals personal information (e.g., medical information) about themselves that information will not usually be redacted. The NIOSH Freedom of Information Act coordinator will, however, review such revelations in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act and if deemed appropriate, will redact such information. All disclosures of information concerning third parties will be redacted. If it comes to the attention of the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) that an individual wishes to share information with the Board but objects to doing so in a public forum, the DFO will work with that individual, in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, to find a way that the Board can hear such comments.

**Contact Person for More Information:** Zaida Burgos, Committee Management Specialist, NIOSH, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30033, Telephone (404) 498-2548 Toll Free: (800) CDC-INFO, E-mail [ocas@cdc.gov](mailto:ocas@cdc.gov).

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: August 4, 2008.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Health Resources and Service Administration

#### Advisory Committee on Interdisciplinary, Community-Based Linkages; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), notice is hereby given of the following meeting:

**Name:** Advisory Committee on Interdisciplinary, Community-Based Linkages (ACICBL).

**Dates and Times:** September 10, 2008, 11 a.m.–4 p.m., EST., September 11, 2008, 11 a.m.–4 p.m., EST.

**Place:** (Web Conference).

**Status:** The meeting will be open to the public; Web conference access limited only by availability of telephone ports.

**Purpose:** The Committee will be focusing on rural issues and how the Title VII Interdisciplinary, Community-Based Training Grant Programs identified under sections 751-756, Part D of the Public Health Service Act can respond to the current rural healthcare workforce needs. The Committee has invited speakers to highlight various topics related to rural healthcare workforce issues including, but not limited to, discipline specific shortages; recruitment and retention; health professions training; faculty development; telemedicine; and other specific rural health care issues. The meeting will afford committee members with the opportunity to identify and discuss the current status of the healthcare workforce in rural America and formulate appropriate recommendations to the Secretary and to the Congress regarding a variety of training strategies to address the health workforce shortage issues.

**Agenda:** The ACICBL agenda includes an overview of the Committee's general business activities, presentations by experts on rural healthcare workforce related issues, and discussion sessions specific for the development of recommendations to be addressed in the Eighth Annual ACICBL Report.

Agenda items are subject to change as dictated by the priorities of the Committee.

**Supplementary Information:** The ACICBL will meet on Wednesday, September 10 and Thursday, September 11, 2008 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (EST) via Intercall LiveMeeting Web conference. To join online, click the link below. Once connected call the number below and use the same conference ID to be connected to the call. If you have not joined an Intercall LiveMeeting Web conference before, please log in 20 minutes before the meeting as you may need to install an Intercall reader to access the Web conference.

**Meeting Link:** [https://psa.on.raindance.com/confmgr/public\\_unsched.jsp?confId=7829159](https://psa.on.raindance.com/confmgr/public_unsched.jsp?confId=7829159).

**Meeting Phone #:** (888) 272-7337.

**Conference ID:** 7829159.

**Meeting Subject:** HRSA Advisory Committee on Interdisciplinary, Community-Based Linkages (ACICBL).

Moderator: Ashley Golden  
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For Further Information Contact: Anyone requesting information regarding the Committee should contact Louis D. Coccodrilli, Designated Federal Official for the ACICBL, Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration, Parklawn Building, Rm. 9-36, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857; (301) 443-6950 or [lcoccodrilli@hrsa.gov](mailto:lcoccodrilli@hrsa.gov). Marie Ulysse, HRSA Scholar, can also be contacted for inquiries at (301) 443-6529 or [mulyusse@hrsa.gov](mailto:mulyusse@hrsa.gov).

Dated: August 4, 2008.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; The Prevalence and Incidence of HIV Molecular Variants and Their Correlation With Risk Behaviors and HIV Treatment in Brazilian Blood Donors

*Summary:* Under the provisions of Section 3507(a)(1)(D) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), the National Institutes of Health (NIH) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on May 29, 2008, pages 30951-30952 and allowed 60 days for public comment. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment. The National Institutes of Health may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a current valid OMB control number.

*Proposed Collection: Title:* The Prevalence and Incidence of HIV Molecular Variants and Their Correlation With Risk Behaviors and HIV Treatment in Brazilian Blood Donors. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New. *Need and Use of*

*Information Collection:* Establishing and monitoring viral prevalence and incidence rates, and identifying risk behaviors for HIV incidence among blood donors, are critical to assessing and reducing risk of HIV transmission through blood transfusion. Identifying donation samples from donors with recent HIV infection is particularly critical as it enables characterization of the viral subtypes currently transmitted within the screened population and hence most likely to "break-through" routine screening measures (i.e., periseroconversion window period donations). Molecular surveillance of incident HIV infections in blood donors not only characterizes genotypes of recently infected donors for purposes of blood safety, but also enables documentation of the rates of primary transmission of anti-viral drug resistant strains in the community, serving a public health role in identifying new HIV infections for anti-retroviral treatment. Both a prospective surveillance and a case-control design are proposed to enroll all eligible HIV seropositives detected at three blood centers in Brazil (São Paulo, Belo Horizonte, and Recife) plus a satellite center in Rio de Janeiro. A comparison of epidemiological risk profiles will be made between the seropositive donors and a group of randomly selected seronegative donors.

There are three study aims. Laboratory studies (LS-EIA testing and sequencing of pol region) on linked specimens from all enrolled HIV cases, will allow for estimation of HIV prevalence and incidence relative to genotype and putative route of infection. Data derived from molecular genotyping, including drug resistant genotypes, will be provided, along with counseling, to all enrolled HIV positive donors to facilitate their clinical care via referral to the Brazilian national HIV treatment system. Our findings will be compared to trends in prevalence, incidence and molecular variants from studies of the general population and high risk populations in Brazil, thus allowing for broad monitoring of the HIV epidemic in Brazil and assessment of the impact of donor selection criteria on these parameters. Finally, HIV cases and a group of controls, through responses to a questionnaire, will provide data on HIV risk behaviors among prospective blood donors. This HIV risk behavior data will be used as

covariates in the molecular surveillance analyses described above, as well as aid in assessing whether modifications may be needed to Brazil's routine blood center operational donor screening questionnaire.

The study participants will return to their local blood center for the administration of an informed consent form, explaining the confidential nature of the research study as well as the risks and benefits to their participation. Once enrolled, they will be asked to complete the self-administered risk factor questionnaire. In addition, a small blood sample will be collected from each HIV seropositive participant to be used for the genotyping and drug resistance testing. The results of the drug resistance testing will be communicated back to the seropositive participants during an in-person counseling session at the blood center.

Defining prevalence and incidence in blood donors and residual risk of HIV transmission by transfusions may lead to new regulations and blood safety initiatives in Brazil. The data can be used to project the yield, safety impact and cost effectiveness of implementing enhanced testing strategies such as combination antigen-antibody assays and/or NAT. Determination of HIV risk factors in donors (first time versus repeat donor status; volunteer versus replacement status; demographics and risk behaviors) will support policy discussions over strategies to recruit the safest possible donors in Brazil. The findings from this project will also complement similar monitoring of HIV prevalence, incidence, transfusion risk and molecular variants in the U.S. and other funded international REDS-II sites, thus allowing direct comparisons of these parameters on a global level.

*Frequency of Response:* Once. *Affected Public:* Individuals. *Type of Respondents:* Adult Blood Donors. The annual reporting burden is as follows: *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,000; *Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 1; *Average Burden of Hours per Response:* 0.40 (including administration of the informed consent form and questionnaire completion instructions); and *Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested:* 800. The annualized cost to respondents is estimated at: \$5,200 (based on \$6.50 per hour). There are no Capital Costs to report. There are no Operating or Maintenance Costs to report.