

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

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

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings 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 grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, 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; Therapeutics Partnerships.
Date: January 26–27, 2010.
Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Crowne Plaza Hotel—Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Contact Person: Lynn Rust, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, NIAID/NIH/DHHS, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 402–3938, lr228v@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Diagnostics Partnerships.

Date: February 11, 2010.

Time: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge 6700, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20817.

Contact Person: Lynn Rust, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, NIAID/NIH/DHHS, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 402–3938, lr228v@nih.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Member Conflict: Cell Biology.

Date: January 26–27, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

Contact Person: Jonathan Arias, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5170, MSC 7840, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–435–2406, ariasj@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; HT Member Conflict.

Date: January 28, 2010.

Time: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Delia Tang, MD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4126, MSC 7802, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–435–2506, tangd@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Emerging Technologies and Training; Neurosciences Integrated Review Group. Neurotechnology Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: The Westin St. Francis, 335 Powell Street, San Francisco, CA 94102.

Contact Person: Robert C. Elliott, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3130, MSC 7850, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–435–3009, elliottro@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Oncology 2—Translational Clinical Integrated; Review

Group. Chemo/Dietary Prevention Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Crowne Plaza Hotel—Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Contact Person: Sally A. Mulhern, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 6214, MSC 7804, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435–5877, mulherns@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Cell Biology Integrated Review Group; Cellular Signaling and Regulatory Systems Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Fairmont Hotel, 2401 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Elena Smirnova, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5187, MSC 7840, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–357–9112, smirnov@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Biobehavioral and Behavioral Processes Integrated Review Group; Language and Communication Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: The Fairmont San Francisco, 950 Mason Street, San Francisco, CA 94108.

Contact Person: Weijia Ni, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3184, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 237–9918, niw@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Population Sciences and Epidemiology Integrated Review; Group Neurological, Aging and Musculoskeletal Epidemiology Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Doubletree Hotel, 1515 Rhode Island Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20005.

Contact Person: Heidi B. Friedman, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 1012A, MSC 7770, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–435–1721, hfriedman@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Risk, Prevention and Health Behavior Integrated Review Group; Psychosocial Development, Risk and Prevention Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hyatt Regency Washington, DC, 400 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20001.

Contact Person: Anna L. Riley, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of

Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3114, MSC 7759, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-2889, rileyann@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Brain Disorders and Clinical Neuroscience Integrated Review Group; Developmental Brain Disorders Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Bahia Resort Hotel, 998 W. Mission Bay Drive, San Diego, CA 92109.

Contact Person: Pat Manos, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5200, MSC 7846, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-408-9866, manospa@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Population Sciences and Epidemiology Integrated Review; Group Infectious Diseases, Reproductive Health, Asthma and Pulmonary Conditions Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Coronado Island Marriott Resort & Spa, 2000 Second Street, Coronado, CA 92118.

Contact Person: Jose Fernando Arena, PhD, MD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3135, MSC 7770, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1735, arenaj@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Genes, Genomes, and Genetics Integrated Review Group; Molecular Genetics C Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: One Washington Circle Hotel, One Washington Circle, Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Barbara Whitmarsh, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 2206, MSC 7890, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301/435-4511, whitmarshb@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Neuroscience Integrated Review Group; Neural Oxidative Metabolism and Death Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

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

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Ritz Carlton Hotel, 1150 22nd Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Carol Hamelink, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4192, MSC 7850, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 213-9887, hamelinc@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Neuroscience Integrated Review Group; Neurogenesis and Cell Fate Study Section.

Date: February 4, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: The Westin St. Francis Hotel, 335 Powell Street, San Francisco, CA 94102.

Contact Person: Lawrence Baizer, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4152, MSC 7850, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1257, baizerl@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Infectious Diseases and Microbiology Integrated Review Group; Host Interactions with Bacterial Pathogens Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Renaissance Mayflower Hotel, 1127 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

Contact Person: Fouad A. El-Zaatar, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3186, MSC 7808, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1149, elzaataf@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Cell Biology Integrated Review Group; Molecular and Integrative Signal Transduction Study Section.

Date: February 4, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Raya Mandler, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5134, MSC 7840, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 402-8228, rayam@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Brain Disorders and Clinical Neuroscience Integrated Review; Group Pathophysiological Basis of Mental Disorders and Addictions Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Fairmont Washington, DC, 2401 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Boris P. Sokolov, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5217A, MSC 7846, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-408-9115, bsokolov@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Population Sciences and Epidemiology Integrated Review; Group Kidney, Nutrition, Obesity and Diabetes Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

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

Contact Person: Fungai Chanetsa, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3135, MSC 7770, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-408-9436, fungai.chanetsa@nih.hhs.gov.

Name of Committee: Brain Disorders and Clinical Neuroscience Integrated Review;

Group Neural Basis of Psychopathology, Addictions and Sleep Disorders Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hotel Nikko San Francisco, 222 Mason Street, San Francisco, CA 94102.

Contact Person: Julius Cinque, MS, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5186, MSC 7846, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1252, cinquej@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Risk, Prevention and Health Behavior Integrated Review Group; Behavioral Medicine, Interventions and Outcomes Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Catamaran Resort Hotel and Spa, 3999 Mission Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92109.

Contact Person: Lee S. Mann, JD, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3186, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-0677, mannel@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Oncology 1—Basic Translational Integrated Review Group; Cancer Genetics Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Sheraton Delfina Santa Monica, 530 West Pico Boulevard, Luna, Santa Monica, CA 90405.

Contact Person: Steven F. Nothwehr, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5183, MSC 7840, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-2492, nothwehrs@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Brain Disorders and Clinical Neuroscience Integrated Review Group Clinical Neuroimmunology and Brain Tumors Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Bahia Resort Hotel, 998 W. Mission Bay Drive, San Diego, CA 92109.

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Name of Committee: Infectious Diseases and Microbiology Integrated Review Group; Pathogenic Eukaryotes Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: The Melrose Hotel, Washington, DC, 2430 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Tera Bounds, DVM, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for

Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3198, MSC 7808, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-2306, boundst@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Healthcare Delivery and Methodologies; Community-Level Health Promotion Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hotel Monaco, 495 Geary Street, San Francisco, CA 94102.

Contact Person: Jacinta Bronte-Tinkew, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3164, MSC 7770, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1503, brontetinkewjm@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Biobehavioral and Behavioral Processes Integrated Review Group Adult Psychopathology and Disorders of Aging Study Section.

Date: February 4–5, 2010.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Melrose Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Estina E. Thompson, PhD, MPH, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3178, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-496-5749, thompsones@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Neurotechnology 2.

Date: February 5, 2010.

Time: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: The Westin St. Francis, 335 Powell Street, San Francisco, CA 94102.

Contact Person: Robert C. Elliott, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3130, MSC 7850, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-3009, elliottro@csr.nih.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 Section 1013: Request for Nominations—The Effective Health Care Stakeholder Group

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), DHHS.

ACTION: Notice of invitation to submit nominations for the Effective Health Care Stakeholder Group.

SUMMARY: The DHHS Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) invites nominations from interested organizations and knowledgeable individuals for members of the Stakeholder Group to support the work of the Effective Health Care Program, established [for consultation] pursuant to Section 1013 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act (MMA) of 2003. The goals of this program are to develop evidence on the effectiveness and comparative effectiveness of different treatments and health care interventions of importance to the Medicare, Medicaid, and State Child Health Insurance programs. To achieve these goals, AHRQ supports projects to review, synthesize, generate, and translate scientific evidence, as well as identify important issues for which existing scientific evidence is insufficient to inform decisions about health care. The Effective Health Care Program makes the evidence information it develops readily available to health care decision makers. The Stakeholder Group is critical to the success of the Effective Health Care Program by providing input to improve the applicability and relevance of research products to health care decision makers. The Effective Health Care Program Stakeholder Group will be a part of the Citizen's Forum initiative, funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, to formally and broadly engage stakeholders, and to enhance and expand public involvement in the entire Effective Health Care enterprise.

The role of the Stakeholder Group will be to:

- Provide guidance on program implementation including:
 - i. Quality improvement.
 - ii. Opportunities to maximize impact and expand program reach.
 - iii. Ensuring stakeholder interests are considered and included.

iv. Evaluating success.

- Provide input on implementing Effective Health Care Program reports and findings in practice and policy settings.

- Identify options and recommend solutions to issues identified by Effective Health Care Program staff.

- Provide input on critical research information gaps for practice and policy, as well as research methods to address them. Specifically:

- i. Information needs and types of products most useful to consumers, clinicians and policy makers.

- ii. Feedback on Effective Health Care Program reports, reviews and summary guides.

- iii. Scientific methods and applications.

- Champion objectivity, accountability and transparency in the Effective Health Care program.

Members will serve as volunteers for a two-year period from summer 2010 through summer 2012. Stakeholder Group members will attend 3–4 meetings per year in Rockville, MD, and possibly other cities to be determined. Meetings will be 1–2 days in length, and AHRQ or a group designated by AHRQ will be responsible for travel planning and expenses. The first meeting will be held in late summer or early fall 2010 in Rockville, MD.

Members are expected to actively participate in meetings and to engage in related activities by phone and e-mail between meetings. Between-meeting work may include reviewing and providing input on the overall product development strategy and direction for the Effective Health care program, consulting with AHRQ staff on constituency issues, and serving as a resource to the Program. It is anticipated that the Stakeholder Group member time commitment between meetings will not exceed 10 hours.

The Stakeholder Group will be composed of up to 20 members with a diversity of perspectives and opinions. The group will represent several broad constituencies of stakeholders and decision-makers at the policy, system, and clinical levels, which will include:

- Patient/caregiver/consumer.
- Consumers of Federal and State beneficiary programs.
- Healthcare providers.
- Third party healthcare payers (including, but not limited to public State or Federal Medicare or Medicaid programs, and private insurance health plans and Health Maintenance Organizations).
- Employers and health-related businesses.
- Pharmacy and therapeutic committees.