

1980) requires a statement concerning the official government programs contained in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance. Normally NIH lists in its announcements the number and title of affected individual programs for the guidance of the public. Because the guidance in this notice covers virtually every NIH and Federal research program in which DNA recombinant molecule techniques could be used, it has been determined not to be cost effective or in the public interest to attempt to list these programs. Such a list would likely require several additional pages. In addition, NIH could not be certain that every Federal program would be included as many Federal agencies, as well as private organizations, both national and international, have elected to follow the NIH Guidelines. In lieu of the individual program listing, NIH invites readers to direct questions to the information address above about whether individual programs listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance are affected.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.14, Intramural Research Training Award; 93.22, Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds; 93.232, Loan Repayment Program for Research Generally; 93.39, Academic Research Enhancement Award; 93.936, NIH Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Loan Repayment Program; 93.187, Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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OBA will read comments into the record during the public comment periods that are specified on the agenda. Please note, while every effort is made to keep the meeting discussions to the times stated on the agenda, it is not unusual for the meeting to run ahead or

behind schedule due to changes in the time needed to review a protocol. It is advisable to monitor the webcast to determine when public comments will be read. Comments submitted electronically will follow any comments by individuals attending the meeting in person. Comments will be read in the order received and your name and affiliation will be read with the comment. Please note OBA may not be able to read every comment received in the time allotted for public comment. Comments not read will become part of the public record.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

Dated: January 3, 2012.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; 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 on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Special Emphasis Panel Chemosensory P50 Review.

*Date:* January 31, 2013.

*Time:* 12:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, 6120 Executive Blvd., Rockville, MD 20852, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Sheo Singh, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review

Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, Executive Plaza South, Room 400C, 6120 Executive Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-496-8683, [singhs@nidcd.nih.gov](mailto:singhs@nidcd.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Special Emphasis Panel, SBIR Review Meeting.

*Date:* February 5, 2013.

*Time:* 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, 6120 Executive Blvd., Rockville, MD 20852.

*Contact Person:* Sheo Singh, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, Executive Plaza South, Room 400C, 6120 Executive Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-496-8683, [singhs@nidcd.nih.gov](mailto:singhs@nidcd.nih.gov).

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.173, Biological Research Related to Deafness and Communicative Disorders, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2012-1080]

#### Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee; Vacancies

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Request for applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership on the Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee (MERPAC). This Committee advises the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security on matters related to personnel in the U.S. merchant marine, including but not limited to training, qualifications, certification, documentation, and fitness standards.

**DATES:** Applicants should submit a cover letter and resume in time to reach the Alternate Designated Federal Officer (ADFO) on or before March 11, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Applicants should send their cover letter and resume to the following address: Commandant (CG-OES-1), ATTN MERPAC, US Coast Guard, 2100 2ND ST SW STOP 7126, WASHINGTON DC 20593-7126; or by faxing (202) 372-1926; or by emailing to [davis.j.breyer@uscg.mil](mailto:davis.j.breyer@uscg.mil). This notice is available in our online docket, USCG-2012-1080, at <http://www.regulations.gov>.