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Direct Comments To OMB: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, *OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov* or by fax to 202-395-6974, Attention: NIH Desk Officer.

DATES: Comment Due Date: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30-days of the date of this publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments or request more information on the proposed project contact: Ms. Joanne Gallivan, M.S., R.D., Director, National Diabetes Education Program, OCPL, NIDDK, 31 Center Drive, MSC 2560, Bethesda, MD 20892, or call non-toll-free number 301-496-6110, or Email your request, including your address to: *joanne_gallivan@*

nih.gov. Formal requests for additional plans and instruments must be requested in writing.

Proposed Collection: The National Diabetes Education Program (NDEP) Comprehensive Evaluation Plan, 0925-0552, Expiration Date 10/31/2015, REVISION, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Disease (NIDDK), National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Need and Use of Information Collection: The National Diabetes Education Program (NDEP) is a partnership of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and more than 200 public and private organizations. The long-term goal of the NDEP is to reduce the burden of diabetes and pre-diabetes in the United States, and its territories, by facilitating the adoption of proven strategies to prevent or delay the onset of diabetes and its complications.

The NDEP evaluation will document the extent to which the NDEP program has been implemented and how successful it has been in meeting program objectives, outlined in the NDEP Strategic Plan. The evaluation relies heavily on data gathered from existing national surveys such as National Health and Nutrition

Examination Survey (NHANES), the National Health Interview Survey (NHIS), the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), among others for this information. This is a continued collection of additional primary data from NDEP target audiences on some key process and impact measures that are necessary to effectively evaluate the program. The audiences targeted by the NDEP include people at risk for diabetes, people with diabetes and their families, and the public.

OMB approval is requested for changing the data collection methodology from a random-digit-dialing (RDD) telephone survey to a probability-based web-based survey as well as an update of the survey questionnaire which has not been updated since it was first developed in 2006. There are no costs to respondents other than their time. The total estimated annualized burden hours are 833. This represents a modest increase in the burden amount from the previously approved 749 hours to 833 hours, an additional 84 hours overall. This burden reflects an increase of 5 minutes per participant due to survey content changes and an additional 400 participants.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

| Type of respondent and instrument | Estimated number of respondents | Estimated number of responses per respondent | Average time per response (in hours) | Estimated total annual burden hours |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Adults—Survey instrument | 2500 | 1 | 20/60 | 833 |

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods Biennial Progress Report: 2012-2013; Availability of Report

SUMMARY: The National Toxicology Program (NTP) Interagency Center for the Evaluation of Alternative Toxicological Methods (NICEATM) announces the availability of the Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods (ICCVAM) Biennial Progress Report:

2012-2013. This report describes ICCVAM and ICCVAM agency activities during the period from January 2012 through December 2013 and was prepared in accordance with requirements of the ICCVAM Authorization Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 285f-3).

ADDRESSES: The report is available at <http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/iccvam-bien>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Warren S. Casey, Director, NICEATM; email: *warren.casey@nih.gov*; telephone: (919) 316-4729.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The ICCVAM Authorization Act of 2000 established ICCVAM as a permanent interagency committee of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) under NICEATM. ICCVAM's mission is to facilitate development, validation, and regulatory acceptance of new and revised regulatory test methods that

reduce, refine, or replace the use of animals in testing while maintaining and promoting scientific quality and the protection of human health, animal health, and the environment.

A provision of the ICCVAM Authorization Act states that ICCVAM shall prepare "reports to be made available to the public on its progress under this Act." The first report was to be completed within 12 months of enactment of the Act, and subsequent reports were to be biennially thereafter. The sixth report is now available, and summarizes ICCVAM activities and accomplishments for the calendar years 2012 and 2013.

Summary of Report Contents: The main body of the ICCVAM Biennial Progress Report: 2012-2013 includes three chapters:

- Chapter 1 provides background information on ICCVAM and its role in coordinating evaluations of alternative

toxicological methods and summarizes recent changes in the vision and direction of ICCVAM.

- Chapter 2 describes activities of ICCVAM and the 15 ICCVAM member agencies relevant to the development and validation of alternative test methods for eye safety testing, biologics and vaccine testing, development of tests to identify potential skin sensitizers, and other areas.

- Chapter 3 describes ICCVAM outreach, communication, and collaborative activities.

Availability of Report: The report is available as an electronic PDF document at <http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/iccvam-bien>. All past ICCVAM annual and biennial reports are also available on this page.

Background Information on ICCVAM and NICEATM: ICCVAM is an interagency committee composed of representatives from 15 Federal regulatory and research agencies that require, use, generate, or disseminate toxicological and safety testing information. ICCVAM conducts technical evaluations of new, revised, and alternative safety testing methods and integrated testing strategies with regulatory applicability, and promotes the scientific validation and regulatory acceptance of testing methods that more accurately assess the safety and hazards of chemicals and products and replace, reduce, or refine (enhance animal well-being and lessen or avoid pain and distress) animal use.

The ICCVAM Authorization Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 285l-3) establishes ICCVAM as a permanent interagency committee of NIEHS and provides the authority for ICCVAM involvement in activities relevant to the development of alternative test methods. ICCVAM acts to ensure that new and revised test methods are validated to meet the needs of Federal agencies, increase the efficiency and effectiveness and Federal agency test method review, and optimize utilization of scientific expertise outside the Federal Government. Additional information about ICCVAM can be found at <http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/iccvam>.

NICEATM provides support for ICCVAM and conducts data analyses, workshops, independent validation studies, and other activities to assess new, revised, and alternative test methods and strategies. NICEATM and ICCVAM work collaboratively to evaluate new and improved test methods and strategies applicable to the needs of U.S. Federal agencies. Additional information about NICEATM can be found at <http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/niceatm>.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors, NIDDK.

The meeting will be closed to the public as indicated below in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended for the review, discussion, and evaluation of individual intramural programs and projects conducted by the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, including consideration of personnel qualifications and performance, and the competence of individual investigators, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Board of Scientific Counselors, NIDDK.

Date: September 18-19, 2014.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 4:20 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

Place: National Institutes of Health Building 5, Room 127 5 Memorial Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Michael W. Krause, Ph.D., Scientific Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institute of Health, Building 5, Room B104, Bethesda, MD 20892-1818, (301) 402-4633, mwkrause@helix.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.847, Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Research; 93.848, Digestive Diseases and Nutrition Research; 93.849, Kidney Diseases, Urology and Hematology Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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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 (5 U.S.C. App.), 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 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; International Collaborations in Infectious Diseases Research (U01 & U19).

Date: August 20-22, 2014.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Sheraton Silver Spring Hotel, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Contact Person: Annie Walker-Abbey, Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, NIAID/NIH/DHHS, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Rm. 3126, MSC-7616, Bethesda, MD 20892-7616, 301-451-2671, aabbey@niaid.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.855, Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research; 93.856, Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; Notice of Closed Meeting

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 meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections