

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

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

Pursuant to section 1009 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 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 contract proposals and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the contract proposals, 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; Functional Omics Core Laboratory (N01).

Date: August 30, 2024.

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Room 3E71, Rockville, MD 20852 (Virtual Meeting).

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Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Rescindment of system of records notices.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is rescinding 14 systems of records maintained by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), for the reason that each system of records either is obsolete or duplicates another system of records.

DATES: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(4), this notice is applicable upon publication.

ADDRESSES: The public may submit written comments, by mail or email, to Dustin Close, Office of Management Assessment, National Institutes of Health, 6705 Rockledge Drive—Suite 601, Bethesda, MD 20892, email privacy@mail.nih.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: General questions about the systems of records may be submitted to Dustin Close, Office of Management Assessment, National Institutes of Health, 6705 Rockledge Drive—Suite 601, Bethesda, MD 20892, telephone 301-496-4606, email privacy@mail.nih.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NIH/HHS is rescinding the 14 systems of records based on the following reasons:

I. Records No Longer Exist

Four of the systems of records are obsolete; the records were disposed of in accordance with the applicable disposition schedule approved by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), cited below:

1. 09-25-0078, *Administration: Consultant File, HHS/NIH/NHLBI.*

These records were maintained on computer disks and paper file folders. They were used to identify and select experts and consultants for program reviews and evaluations and to evaluate National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) special grants and contracts. Records included the individuals' curriculums vitae, resumes, and names. The data on the disks and in the folders had not been updated in years and was no longer used. At the end of 2023, the records were deleted in compliance with NIH Records Retention Schedule 12-014, Electronic Information Systems/Administration (Disposition Authority DAA-0443-2013-0004-0004).

2. 09-25-0121, *International Activities: Senior International Fellowships Program, HHS/NIH/FIC.* These records were maintained by the Fogarty International Center (FIC) on computer disks and paper file folders.

The records were used by FIC for award and administration of fellowships to outstanding faculty members in mid-career from U.S. biomedical research and educational institutions for study abroad, to distinguished scientists, and to scholars invited to accept NIH scholarships. The records were comprised of the individuals' applications and associated records, reports, employment and education histories, and references. The programs no longer exist, and the records were deleted in compliance with NIH Records Retention Schedule 12-019, Electronic Information Systems/Activities: International Fellowship Program (Disposition Authority DAA-0443-2019-0008-0001).

3. 09-25-0034, *International Activities: Scholars-in-Residence Program, HHS/NIH/FIC.* Same explanation and same disposition schedule as for 09-25-0121.

4. 09-25-0041, *Research Resources: Scientists Requesting Hormone Distribution.* These records consisted of applications from scientists requesting hormones and antibodies from the National Institute of Diabetes, and Digestive Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) for research purposes. They were stored in paper file folders and were used to review the applications to determine if the scientists were qualified to receive the materials. The programs no longer exist, and the records were deleted in compliance with NIH Records Retention Schedule 12-011, Electronic Information Systems/Research Resources (Disposition Authority DAA-0443-2012-0007-0003).

II. Records Exist But Are No Longer Retrieved by Personal Identifier

The records in one system of records still exist but are no longer retrieved by personal identifier so no longer constitute Privacy Act records:

5. 09-25-0033, *International Activities: Fellowships Awarded by Foreign Organizations, HHS/NIH/FIC.* These records were about U.S. citizens qualified in health-related sciences who submitted applications through NIH for fellowships for study abroad. They were stored in paper file folders and were used by NIH to perform scientific reviews and evaluations of the applicants' qualifications to determine which applicants were suitable for referral to the fellowship-awarding organizations. The paper file system that was used was terminated. Existing records have been moved to electronic form and are stored on a network shared drive. The files are no longer kept in a system from which they can be retrieved by a unique identifier. The files are now