

of Psychiatry at the University of California at San Diego School of Medicine, will weigh the scientific evidence and write a draft statement that will be presented to the audience on the third day. The consensus statement will address the following key questions:

- * What is the scientific evidence to support a conceptualization of opiate addiction as a medical disorder including natural history, genetics and risk factors, pathophysiology, and how is diagnosis established?

- * What are the consequences of untreated opiate addiction to individuals, families and society?

- * What is the efficacy of current treatment modalities in the management of opiate addiction including detoxification alone, non-pharmacological/psychosocial treatment, treatment with opiate antagonists, and treatment with opiate agonists (short-term and long-term)?

- * What is the (scientific evidence for the) most effective use of opiate agonists in the treatment of opiate addiction?

- * What are the important barriers to effective use of opiate agonists in the treatment of opiate addiction in the U.S., including perceptions and the adverse consequences of opiate agonist use, legal, regulatory, financial and programmatic barriers?

- * What are the future research areas and recommendations for improving opiate agonist treatment and improving access?

The primary sponsors of this meeting are the National Institute on Drug Abuse and the NIH Office of Medical Applications Research. The conference is co-sponsored by the NIH Office of Research on Women's Health.

Advance information on the conference program and conference registration materials may be obtained from Prospect Associates, 1801 Rockville Pike, Suite 500, Rockville, Maryland 20852, (301) 468-MEET, by e-mail at NIHconsensus@ProspectAssoc.com, or by visiting <http://consensus.nih.gov> on the World Wide Web.

The consensus statement will be submitted for publication in professional journals and other publications. In addition, the statement will be available beginning November 19, 1997, from the NIH Consensus Program Information Center, P.O. Box 2577, Kensington, Maryland 20891, phone 1-888-NIH-CONSENSUS (1-888-644-2667) and from the NIH Consensus Development Program site on the World Wide Web at <http://consensus.nih.gov>.

Dated: September 4, 1997.

Ruth L. Kirschstein,

Deputy Director, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Cancer Institute; Notice of Meeting of the National Cancer Advisory Board and its Subcommittees

Pursuant to Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, notice is hereby given of the meeting of the National Cancer Advisory Board (Board), National Cancer Institute (NCI), and its Subcommittees on September 23-25, 1997. The meetings of the Board and its Subcommittees will be open to the public as indicated below. Attendance by the public will be limited to space available.

A portion of the Board meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4), 552b(c)(6), and 552(c)(9)(B), Title 5 U.S.C. and sec. 10(d) of Pub. L. 92-463, for the review, discussion and evaluation of individual grant applications and for discussion of issues pertaining to programmatic areas and/or NCI personnel. These applications and discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning the individuals associated with the applications or programs, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, and premature disclosure of recommendations which would be likely to significantly frustrate the subsequent implementation of those recommendations.

The Committee Management Office, National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, Executive Plaza North, Room 609, 6130 Executive Boulevard, MSC 7410, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7410, (301) 496-5708 will provide summaries of the meetings and rosters of the Board members, upon request.

Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Mrs. Linda Quick-Cameron, Committee Management Officer, at (301) 496-5708 in advance of the meeting.

Name of Committee: Subcommittee on Activities and Agenda.

Contact Person: Dr. Marvin R. Kalt, Executive Secretary, National Cancer Institute, NIH, Executive Plaza North, Room 600, 6130 Executive Blvd., MSC 7405, Bethesda, MD 20892-7405, (301) 496-5147.

Date of Meeting: September 23, 1997.

Place of Meeting: Bethesda Marriott Hotel (Pooks Hill), 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Closed: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Agenda: To Conduct Preliminary Discussion of Future Programmatic and Personnel Activities and Policies.

Name of Committee: Subcommittee on Planning and Budget.

Contact Person: Ms. Cherie Nichols, Executive Secretary, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, Room 312, MSC 9010, Bethesda, MD 20892-9010, (301) 496-5515.

Date of Meeting: September 24, 1997.

Place of Meeting: Building 31, Conference Room 8/C Wing, National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Agenda: To Discuss the NCI Budget and Various Planning Issues.

Name of Committee: Subcommittee on Special Actions for Grants.

Contact Person: Dr. Marvin R. Kalt, Executive Secretary, National Cancer Institute, NIH, Executive Plaza North, Room 600, 6130 Executive Blvd., MSC 7405, Bethesda, MD. 20892-7405, (301) 496-5147.

Date of Meeting: September 24, 1997.

Place of Meeting: Building 31, Conference Room 10/C Wing, National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD. 20892.

Closed: 4:05 p.m. to Adjournment.

Agenda: To Review and Discuss Grant Applications and Extramural/Intramural, Programmatic and Personnel Policies.

Name of Committee: Subcommittee on Clinical Investigations.

Contact Person: Dr. Robert Wittes, Executive Secretary, National Cancer Institute, NIH, Building 31, Room 3A44, MSC 2440, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892-2440, (301) 496-4291.

Date of Meeting: September 25, 1997.

Place of Meeting: Building 31, Conference Room 8/C Wing, National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD. 20892.

Open: 12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

Agenda: To Discuss the Design of Prospective Studies of the Impact of Managed Care on Cancer Clinical Investigations, Education and Training.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Advisory Board.

Contact Person: Dr. Marvin R. Kalt, Executive Secretary, National Cancer Institute, NIH, Executive Plaza North, Room 600, 6130 Executive Blvd., MSC 7405, Bethesda, MD. 20892-7405, (301) 496-5147.

Dates of Meeting: September 24-25, 1997.

Place of Meeting: Building 31, Conference Room 10/C Wing, National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD. 20892.

Open: September 24—8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; September 25—8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Agenda: Report of the Director, National Cancer Institute; Legislative Update; Report of the President's Cancer Panel; Science Information System Report; NCAB Policy Statement: Impact of Managed Care on Cancer Clinical Investigations; Clinical Trials Program Review Group Report; NCI Exceptions Process; Cancer Control Program Review Group Report; Reorganization of Extramural Programs & Update on Centers; NIH & Managed Health Care Organizations; Colorectal Cancer Screening; GPRC Update for Advisory Councils; Changes in NIH Rebuttal Policy & NCAB Operating Procedures; Progress Review Groups Update; NCI Website Demonstrations; Subcommittee Reports and other Council business.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Numbers: (93.393, Cancer Cause and Prevention Research; 93.392, Cancer Detection and Diagnosis Research; 93.394, Cancer Treatment Research; 93.396, Cancer Biology Research; 93.397, Cancer Centers Support; 93.398, Cancer Research Manpower; 93.399, Cancer Control.)

Dated: September 11, 1997.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Nursing Research; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting:

Name of Committee: National Institute of Nursing Research Initial Review Group.

Date: October 29-31, 1997.

Time: 8:30 a.m. until adjournment.

Place: Holiday Inn Chevy Chase, 5520 Wisconsin Avenue, Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815.

Contact Person: Carole Hudgings, Ph.D., R.N., Building 45, Room 3AN-18, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594-5976.

Purpose/Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

This meeting will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552(b)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.361, Nursing Research, National Institutes of Health)

Dated: September 10, 1997.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

PRT-833981

Applicant: Laurel Croft, Temecula, CA

The applicant requests a permit to re-import 1 male and 2 female Hawaiian geese (*Branta sandvicensis*) and 1 male and 1 female Palawan peacock pheasant (*Polyplecton emphanum*) for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through captive propagation.

PRT-833380

Applicant: David Owens, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples of multiple sea turtle species from Mexico, Grand Cayman, and Costa Rica for the purpose of scientific research related to survival of the species.

PRT-834298

Applicant: Miami Metrozoo, Miami, FL

The applicant requests a permit to re-export to Panama the carcass of one female harpy eagle (*Harpia harpyja*) which was imported from Panama into the United States to be prepared into an osteological specimen.

The public is invited to comment on the following application for permits to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application was submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR 18).

PRT-834123

Applicant: Daniel Currier, Fargo, ND

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the McClintock Channel polar bear population,

Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: September 12, 1997.

Mary Ellen Amtower,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permit for Marine Mammals

On July 3, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 128, Page 36070, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Kenneth Werling, Celina, OH for a permit (PRT-830535) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the Southern Beaufort Sea population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on September 3, 1997, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On July 10, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 132, Page 37072, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Jim Deal, Ramsey, MN for a permit (PRT-831567) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the McClintock Channel population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.