

the Social Security Act. Final regulations governing the NPDB are codified at 45 CFR part 60. Responsibility for NPDB implementation and operation resides in the Bureau of Health Workforce, HRSA, HHS.

NPDB acts primarily as a flagging system; its principal purpose is to facilitate comprehensive review of practitioners' professional credentials and background. Information on medical malpractice payments, health-related civil judgments, adverse licensure actions, adverse clinical privileging actions, adverse professional society actions, and Medicare/Medicaid exclusions is collected from, and disseminated to, eligible entities such as licensing boards, hospitals, and certain other health care entities. It is intended that NPDB information should be considered with other relevant information in evaluating a practitioner's credentials.

NPDB outlines specific reporting requirements for hospitals, medical malpractice payers, health plans, and certain other health care entities per 45 CFR 60.7, 60.12, 60.14, 60.15, and 60.16. These reporting requirements are further explained in Chapter E of the NPDB e-Guidebook, which can be found at: <http://www.npdb.hrsa.gov/resources/aboutGuidebooks.jsp>.

Through a process called Attestation, hospitals, medical malpractice payers, health plans, and certain other health care entities will be required to attest that they understand and have met their

responsibility to submit all required reports to the NPDB. The Attestation process will be completely automated through the secure NPDB system (<https://www.npdb.hrsa.gov>), using both secure email messaging and system notifications to alert entities registered with the NPDB of their responsibility to attest. All entities with reporting requirements and querying access to the NPDB must register with the NPDB before gaining access to the secure NPDB system for all reporting and querying transactions.

Although the Attestation process and forms are new, the secure NPDB system currently used by hospitals, medical malpractice payers, health plans, and certain other health care entities to conduct reporting and querying will not change, ensuring that these entities are familiar with the interface needed to complete the Attestation process. NPDB will ask these entities to attest their reporting compliance every 2 years. If the organization is responsible for privileging or credentialing individuals who provide services for other sites, those sites will be included in the Attestation process.

The Attestation forms will collect the following information: information regarding sub-sites and entity relationships; contact information for the Attesting Official; and a statement attesting whether or not all required reports have been submitted.

*Need and Proposed Use of the Information:* The NPDB engages in compliance activities to ensure the

accuracy and completeness of the information in the NPDB. Through the Attestation process, the NPDB can better determine which hospitals, medical malpractice payers, health plans, and certain other health care entities are meeting the reporting requirements, and which of these entities may require additional outreach and assistance. The biennial Attestation process will strengthen the robustness of the data in the NPDB, improving the accuracy of query responses for entities with access to NPDB reports.

*Likely Respondents:* Hospitals medical malpractice payers, health plans, certain other health care entities, and their representatives.

*Burden Statement:* Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide the information requested. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information; to search data sources; to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

#### TOTAL ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN—HOURS

Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total responses	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden hours
Health Center Form .....	1,500	1	1,500	1	1,500
Generic Form <sup>1</sup> .....	4,875	1	4,875	1	4,875
• Hospitals.					
• Medical Malpractice Payers.					
• Health Plans.					
Total .....	<sup>2</sup> 6,375	.....	6,375	.....	6,375

<sup>1</sup> Hospitals, medical malpractice payers, and health plans will attest using the generic form.

<sup>2</sup> There are approximately 6,800 hospitals, 575 medical malpractice payers, 1,400 health plans, and 2,200 health centers registered with the NPDB. However, the reporting entities may include multiple sites that are registered independently in the system, thereby increasing the total number of respondents. Therefore, we estimate there will be 7,500 respondents for hospitals, 750 respondents for medical malpractice payers, 1,500 respondents for health plans, and 3,000 respondents for health centers for 12,750 total respondents. Given that entities will only be required to complete attestation biennially, these estimates are divided in half for the annualized burden hours.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Performance Review Board Members

Title 5, U.S.C. 4314(c) (4) of the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978, Public Law 95-454, requires that the appointment

of Performance Review Members be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following persons may be named to serve on the Performance Review Boards or Panels, which oversee the evaluation of performance appraisals of Senior Executive Service members of

the Department of Health and Human Services:

Last name	First name
Avula .....	Deepa
Corierre .....	Michael
Del Vecchio .....	Paolo
Enomoto .....	Kana
Etzinger .....	Michael
Feit .....	Monica
Goldstein .....	Gregory
Harding .....	Frances
Hendriksson .....	Marla
Johnson .....	Kimberly
Kade .....	Daryl
Lopez .....	Elizabeth
Power .....	Kathryn
Wheeles .....	Timothy (NIH)

#### Michael Etzinger,

*Executive Officer and Director, Office of Management, Technology and Operations.*

#### Carlos Castillo,

*SAMHSA Committee Management Officer, Office of Policy, Planning and Innovation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute of General Medical Sciences; 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 General Medical Sciences Special Emphasis Panel; Review of Mira Applications.

*Date:* November 9–10, 2016.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Washington Plaza Hotel, Ten Thomas Circle, Washington, DC 20005.

*Contact Person:* Lisa A. Dunbar, Scientific Review Officer, Office of Scientific Review, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health, 45 Center Drive, Room 3AN12, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-594-2849, [dunbarl@mail.nih.gov](mailto:dunbarl@mail.nih.gov).

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing

limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.375, Minority Biomedical Research Support; 93.821, Cell Biology and Biophysics Research; 93.859, Pharmacology, Physiology, and Biological Chemistry Research; 93.862, Genetics and Developmental Biology Research; 93.88, Minority Access to Research Careers; 93.96, Special Minority Initiatives; 93.859, Biomedical Research and Research Training, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: October 12, 2016.

#### Melanie J. Gray,

*Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Office of The Director, Office of Science Policy, Office of Biotechnology Activities; Amended Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the National Science Advisory Board for Biosecurity, November 04, 2016, 12:00 p.m. to November 04, 2016, 03:00 p.m., National Institutes of Health, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20892 which was published in the **Federal Register** on October 11, 2016, 81FR 196.

The call-in number has changed to 1 (866) 939-3921. The meeting date, time and location remains the same. The meeting is open to the public.

Dated: October 12, 2016.

#### David Clary,

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute on Drug Abuse; 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 Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel; Growing Great Ideas: Research Education Course in Product Development and Entrepreneurship for Life Science Researchers (R25).

*Date:* October 24, 2016.

*Time:* 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Gerald L. McLaughlin, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Office of Extramural Policy and Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH, DHHS, 6001 Executive Blvd., Room 4238, MSC 9550, Bethesda, MD 20892-9550, 301-827-5819, [gm145a@nih.gov](mailto:gm145a@nih.gov).

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

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel; Exploratory Studies of Smoking Cessation Interventions for People with Schizophrenia.

*Date:* November 2, 2016.

*Time:* 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Nadine Rogers, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Office of Extramural Policy and Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH, DHHS, 6001 Executive Blvd., Room 4229, MSC 9550, Bethesda, MD 20892-9550, 301-827-5840, [rogersn2@nida.nih.gov](mailto:rogersn2@nida.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel; NIDA Medications Development.

*Date:* November 4, 2016.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate cooperative agreement applications.

*Place:* Hilton Garden Inn Bethesda, 7301 Waverly Street, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Jose F. Ruiz, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Office of Extramural Policy and Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH, Room 4228, MSC 9550, 6001 Executive Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20892-9550, 301-827-5842, [ruizjf@nida.nih.gov](mailto:ruizjf@nida.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel; Multi-site Clinical Trials.

*Date:* November 9, 2016.

*Time:* 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.