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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institutes of Dental 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 National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meetings:

Name of SEP: National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel—Review of R03 grant (98-14).

Dates: November 5, 1997.

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Place: Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN-44F, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, (teleconference).

Contact Person: Dr. Philip Washko, Scientist Review Administrator, 4500 Center Drive, Natcher Building, Room 4AN-44F, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594-2372.

Purpose/Agenda: To evaluate and review grant applications and/or contract proposals.

Name of SEP: National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel—Review of R44 grant (98-12).

Dates: November 12, 1997.

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN-44F, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, (teleconference).

Contact Person: Dr. Philip Washko, Scientist Review Administrator, 4500 Center Drive, Natcher Building, Room 4AN-44F, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594-2372.

Purpose/Agenda: To evaluate and review grant applications and/or contract proposals.

Name of SEP: National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel—Review of R03 grant (98-08).

Dates: November 17, 1997.

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Place: Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN-44F, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, (teleconference).

Contact Person: Dr. Philip Washko, Scientist Review Administrator, 4500 Center Drive, Natcher Building, Room 4AN-44F, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594-2372.

Purpose/Agenda: To evaluate and review grant applications and/or contract proposals.

Name of SEP: National Institute of Dental Research Special Emphasis Panel—Review of R03 grant (98-13).

Dates: November 20, 1997.

Time: 12:00 noon.

Place: Natcher Building, Rm. 4AN-44F, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, (teleconference).

Contact Person: Dr. Philip Washko, Scientist Review Administrator, 4500 Center

Drive, Natcher Building, Room 4AN-44F, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594-2372.

Purpose/Agenda: To evaluate and review grant applications and/or contract proposals.

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

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.121, Oral Diseases and Disorders Research)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; Notice of Meeting of the Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Programs Advisory Committee

Pursuant to Pub. L. 92-463, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Programs Advisory Committee.

Date: November 3, 1997.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 9000 Wisconsin Avenue, Building 31C, Conference Room 7, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Time: 8 am to 4:30 pm.

Purpose/Agenda: To hold discussions on Extramural Research programs.

Contact Person: Ralph F. Naunton, M.D., Director, Division of Human Communication, NIH/NIDCD, 6120 Executive Boulevard, MSC 7180, Bethesda, MD 20892-7180, 301-496-1804.

The entire meeting will be open to the public, with attendance limited to space available. A summary of the meeting and a roster of the members may be obtained from Dr. Naunton's office. For individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodation, please contact Dr. Naunton prior to the meeting.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.173 Biological Research Related to Deafness and Communication Disorders)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Office of Research on Women's Health; Notice of Meeting—"Beyond Hunt Valley: Research on Women's Health for the 21st Century"

Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH), Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health (NIH), will convene a meeting on November 17, 18, and 19, 1997, at the Bethesda Marriott (formerly Pooks Hill Marriott), Bethesda, Maryland.

The NIH/AES is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to sponsor continuing medical educations for physicians.

The NIH/AES designates this educational activity for a maximum of 10 hours in category 1 credit towards the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

The ORWH/NIH research agenda recognizes the full spectrum of research from basic to clinical research and trials, epidemiological and population studies, clinical applications and health outcomes. Since September 1996, the ORWH has convened a series of three regional meetings for the purpose of updating the NIH scientific agenda on women's health research to meet the challenges of a changing scientific and social world. This mechanism provides an opportunity for the continued collaboration between individuals and groups of women and their families, advocates, scientists, health care practitioners and public health policy makers with the NIH to update and revise the national research agenda for women's health into the twenty-first century. The purpose of this national meeting will be to culminate the dialogue conducted over the last year to update and revise the current biomedical research agenda for women's health, as originally presented in the Report of the National Institutes of Health; Opportunities for Research on Women's Health, a publication based on a conference held in Hunt Valley, Maryland, September 1991.

The first day of the national meeting, November 17, will be devoted to receiving public testimony from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The ORWH invites individuals or individuals representing organizations with an interest in research areas related to women's health

to provide written and oral testimony on (1) The state of knowledge and continuing or emerging gaps in knowledge about women's health across the life span, (2) Sex/gender differences: Issues for women's health research, (3) Factors that influence differences between populations of women: Issues for women's health research, (4) New priorities for research on women's health, and (5) Career issues for women scientists: Overcoming barriers and achieving success in biomedical careers.

Due to time constraints, only one representative from each organization may present oral testimony, with presentations limited to 10 minutes. A letter of intent to present such testimony should be sent by interested individuals and representatives of organizations to Ms. Sandra Bromberg, Capital Consulting Corporation, 11900 Parklawn Drive, Suite 350, Rockville, MD 20852. The date of receipt of the letter will establish the order of presentations at the November meeting.

Presenters should send three (3) written copies (up to 18 double-spaced pages) on a diskette in Word Perfect for IBM of their testimony, a one-page summary, and a brief description of their organization, to the above address no later than November 3, 1997. Individuals and individuals representing organizations wishing to provide written statements only may send three (3) copies of their statements to the above address by November 3, 1997. Written testimony will be made available to the conferees prior to the November 18 meeting day. Comments and questions related to the November meeting should be addressed to Ms. Bromberg.

On November 18 and 19, plenary sessions as well as concurrent scientific working groups will address areas of science particularly relevant to women's health across the life span and career issues for women scientists. The meeting on November 18 will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and on November 19 from 8:00 a.m. until approximately 4:00 p.m. All sessions of the meeting are open to the public.

In convening these meetings, the ORWH has reaffirmed the NIH's commitment to seeking broad representation of individuals from across the spectrum of medical specialties and scientific disciplines. Basic and clinical scientists, health providers, and advocates from across the country have met in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; New Orleans, Louisiana; and Santa Fe, New Mexico, to provide guidance and make recommendations to the ORWH concerning advances in women's health research, continuing

and/or emerging gaps in knowledge, areas in need of further research, strategies to take advantage of opportunities in science, and emerging issues in women's health.

The NIH research agenda has focused on sex and gender issues in the health and diseases of women, in considering such matters as normal development, disease prevention, health maintenance, response to interventions, disease prognosis, and treatment outcomes. We have also focused on factors that influence differences in health status and health outcomes among different populations of women.

At this national meeting, experts in basic and clinical science, practitioners interested in women's health, representatives of scientific, professional and women's health organizations, and women's health advocates will continue to assess the current status of research on women's health in these and in other areas, identify gaps in existing knowledge, and recommend scientific approaches and strategies for the future direction for research on women's health.

The conference will focus on scientific issues such as cardiovascular disease, cancer, neurological conditions, reproductive issues, mental disorders, digestive diseases and nutrition, urologic and kidney conditions, bone/musculoskeletal disorders, immunity/autoimmune diseases, behavioral and social sciences, oral health, substance abuse and addictive disorders, pharmacology, and career issues for women scientists. Following the national scientific workshop, the Office of Research on Women's Health will develop a report identifying priorities for research on women's health for the 21st century.

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Ruth L. Kirschstein,

Deputy Director, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4263-N-44]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirements described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for

review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments due: December 22, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Oliver Walker, Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451-7th Street, SW, Room 9116, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vance Morris, Director, Single Family Home Mortgage Insurance Division, telephone number (202) 708-2700 (this is not a toll free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

The notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Title I Electronic Data Collection.

OMB Control Number: 2502-.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The Department needs additional data from lenders to permit more effective risk management of its Title I loan portfolio. The data will be collected in an electronic format and therefore enhance the Department's ability to monitor individual loan and lender performance.

Agency forms, if applicable: None.

Members of affected public: Lending institutions with FHA approval to originate or service Title I loans.