

Purpose of the Meeting: The National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) has been structured to engage partners with each other and/or with NIOSH to advance NORA priorities. The NORA Liaison Committee continues to be an opportunity for representatives from organizations with national scope to learn about NORA progress and to suggest possible partnerships based on their organization's mission and contacts. This opportunity is now structured as a public meeting via the internet to attract participation by a larger number of organizations and to further enhance the success of NORA. Some of the types of organizations of national scope that are especially encouraged to participate are employers, unions, trade associations, labor associations, professional associations, and foundations. Others are welcome.

This meeting will include updates from NIOSH leadership on NORA as well as updates from approximately half of the Sector Councils on their progress, priorities, and implementation plans to date, including the Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing Sector; Healthcare and Social Assistance Sector; Mining Sector; Oil and Gas Extraction Sub-Sector; and Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities Sector. Updates will also be given on cross-council coordination activities in the areas of safety culture and occupational health disparities. After each update, there will be time to discuss partnership opportunities.

Status: The meeting is open to the public, limited only by the capacities of the conference call and conference room facilities. There is limited space available in the meeting room (capacity 34). Therefore, information to allow participation in the meeting through the internet (to see the slides) and a teleconference call (capacity 50) will be provided to registered participants. Participants are encouraged to consider attending by this method. Each participant is requested to register for the free meeting by sending an e-mail to noracoordinator@cdc.gov containing the participant's name, organization name, contact telephone number on the day of the meeting, and preference for participation by Web meeting (requirements include: computer, internet connection, and telephone, preferably with 'mute' capability) or in person. An e-mail confirming registration will include the details needed to participate in the Web meeting. Non-US citizens are encouraged to participate in the web meeting. Non-US citizens who do not register to attend in person on or before January 6, 2010, will not be granted

access to the meeting site and will not be able to attend the meeting in-person due to mandatory security clearance procedures at the Patriots Plaza facility.

Background: NORA is a partnership program to stimulate innovative research in occupational safety and health leading to improved workplace practices. Unveiled in 1996, NORA has become a research framework for the nation. Diverse parties collaborate to identify the most critical issues in workplace safety and health. Partners then work together to develop goals and objectives for addressing those needs and to move the research results into practice. The NIOSH role is facilitator of the process. For more information about NORA, see <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/nora/about.html>.

Since 2006, NORA has been structured according to industrial sectors. Eight sector groups have been defined using the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS). After receiving public input through the web and town hall meetings, NORA Sector Councils have been working to define sector-specific strategic plans for conducting research and moving the results into widespread practice. During 2008–09, most of these Councils have posted draft strategic plans for public comment. Six have posted finalized National Sector Agendas after considering comments on the drafts. For more information, see the link above and choose "Sector-based Approach," "NORA Sector Councils," "Sector Agendas" and "Comment on Draft Sector Agendas" from the right-side menu.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sidney C. Soderholm, PhD, NORA Coordinator, E-mail noracoordinator@cdc.gov, telephone (202) 245–0665.

Dated: November 13, 2009.

James Stephens,

Associate Director of Science, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH or Advisory Board), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act

(Pub. L. 92–463), CDC announces the following meeting of the aforementioned committee:

Time and Date: 11 a.m.–2 p.m., Tuesday, December 8, 2009.

Place: Audio Conference Call via FTS Conferencing. The USA toll free number is 1 (866) 659–0537 with a pass code of 9933701.

Status: Open to the public, but without a public comment period.

Background: The Advisory Board was established under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 to advise the President on a variety of policy and technical functions required to implement and effectively manage the new compensation program. Key functions of the Advisory Board include providing advice on the development of probability of causation guidelines which have been promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as a final rule, advice on methods of dose reconstruction which have also been promulgated by HHS as a final rule, advice on the scientific validity and quality of dose estimation and reconstruction efforts being performed for purposes of the compensation program, and advice on petitions to add classes of workers to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

In December 2000, the President delegated responsibility for funding, staffing, and operating the Advisory Board to HHS, which subsequently delegated this authority to the CDC. NIOSH implements this responsibility for CDC. The charter was issued on August 3, 2001, renewed at appropriate intervals, most recently, August 3, 2009, and will expire on August 3, 2011.

Purpose: This Advisory Board is charged with (a) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the development of guidelines under Executive Order 13179; (b) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the scientific validity and quality of dose reconstruction efforts performed for this program; and (c) upon request by the Secretary, HHS, advising the Secretary on whether there is a class of employees at any Department of Energy facility who were exposed to radiation but for whom it is not feasible to estimate their radiation dose, and on whether there is reasonable likelihood that such radiation doses may have endangered the health of members of this class.

Matters To Be Discussed: The agenda for the conference call includes: University of Rochester Atomic Energy Project SEC Petition; Board Subcommittee and Work Group Updates; Office of Compensation Analysis and Support SEC Petition Evaluations Update for February Board Meeting.

The agenda is subject to change as priorities dictate.

Because there is not a public comment period, written comments may be submitted. Any written comments received will be included in the official record of the meeting and should be submitted to the contact person below in advance of the meeting.

For Further Information Contact: Theodore M. Katz, M.P.A., Executive Secretary, NIOSH,

CDC, 1600 Clifton Rd., NE., Mailstop: E-20, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone (513) 533-6800, Toll Free 1-800-CDC-INFO, E-mail ocas@cdc.gov.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: November 13, 2009.

Elaine L. Baker,

Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Center for Scientific Review; 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: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, PAR08-261: Emergency Medical Services for Children.

Date: December 10, 2009.

Time: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892. (Virtual Meeting)

Contact Person: Jacinta Bronte-Tinkew, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3164, MSC 7770, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1503, brontetinkewjm@csr.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, Comparative Medicine; 93.333, Clinical Research; 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393-93.396, 93.837-93.844, 93.846-93.878, 93.892, 93.893, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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Jennifer Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Resource for X-Ray Tomography of Whole Cells.

Date: December 2-3, 2009.

Time: 4 p.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Doubletree Hotel Bethesda, (Formerly Holiday Inn Select), 8120 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Amy L. Rubinstein, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5152 MSC 7844, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1159, rubinstein@csr.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. 93.306, Comparative Medicine; 93.333, Clinical Research; 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393-93.396, 93.837-93.844, 93.846-93.878, 93.892, 93.893, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

Privacy Act of 1974; Retirement of a Department of Homeland Security Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer System of Records

AGENCY: Privacy Office, DHS.

ACTION: Notice to retire one Privacy Act system of records notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 the Department of Homeland Security is giving notice that it proposes to retire Department of Homeland Security Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer—001 MAXHR ePerformance Management System of Records because the system is no longer collecting or maintaining records. Records associated with the information technology system have been transferred to the Office of Personnel Management using the Electronic Official Personnel Folder system. Employee performance file records are maintained by the Department and covered by Office of Personnel Management/Government—2 Employee Performance File System of Records.

DATES: These changes will take effect on December 23, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Ellen Callahan (703-235-0780), Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, and as part of its ongoing Privacy Act system of records notice management efforts, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is retiring DHS/Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)—001 MAXHR ePerformance Management System of Records (71 FR 63329, October 30, 2006).

DHS is no longer collecting or maintaining records regarding the MAXHR e-performance management information technology system. Records associated with the information technology system have been transferred to the Office of Personnel Management using the Electronic Official Personnel Folder (eOPF) system. Employee performance file records are maintained by the Department and covered by Office of Personnel Management/Government—2 Employee Performance File System of Records (June 19, 2006, 71 FR 35347).

Eliminating this notice will have no adverse impacts on individuals, but will