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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; 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.

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Name of Committee: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Initial Review Group; Health, Behavior, and Context Subcommittee.

Date: October 26, 2015.

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

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Priscah Mujuru, DRPH, MPH, Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Room 5B01, Bethesda, MD 20892-9304, (301) 435-6908, mujurup@mail.nih.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Systematic Review of Immunotoxicity Associated With Exposure to PFOA or PFOS; Request for Information and Nominations of Scientific Experts for Proposed Peer Review Meeting

SUMMARY: The Office of Health Assessment and Translation (OHAT), Division of the National Toxicology Program (DNTP), National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences is evaluating the scientific evidence regarding the association between exposures to perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) or perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) and immunotoxicity. OHAT invites the submission of information about ongoing studies or upcoming publications on the immune-related health effects of PFOA or PFOS that might be considered for inclusion in the evaluation. OHAT also invites the nomination of scientific experts to potentially serve as members of an ad hoc expert panel to be convened to peer review the draft NTP monograph resulting from the systematic review of the evidence for an association between exposure to PFOA or PFOS and immunotoxicity.

DATES: The deadline for receipt of information and nominations of scientific experts is September 30, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Information can be submitted to xiey4@niehs.nih.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Yun Xie, NTP Designated Federal Official, Office of Liaison, Policy and Review, DNTP, NIEHS, P.O. Box 12233, MD K2-03, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. Phone: (919) 541-3436, Fax: (301) 451-5455, Email: yun.xie@nih.gov. Hand Delivery/Courier: 530 Davis Drive, Room 2161, Morrisville, NC 27560.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background on PFOA and PFOS: PFOA and PFOS are persistent chemicals that are widely distributed in the environment in part because of high stability and little to no expected degradation in the environment. In terms of toxicity and exposure, PFOA and PFOS are the best studied perfluoroalkyl acids, a group of compounds used extensively over the last 50 years in commercial and industrial applications including food packaging, lubricants, water-resistant coatings, and fire-retarding foams. Through voluntary agreements, the primary manufacturer of PFOS phased out production in 2002, and PFOS is no longer manufactured in the United

States. Similar arrangements have been made for PFOA, and eight companies that manufacture PFOA have committed to eliminate emissions and product content by 2015. Although emissions have been dramatically reduced, the persistence and bioaccumulation of both PFOA and PFOS result in detectable levels in the U.S. population and, therefore, these chemicals are of potential human health relevance. Several recent publications from 2012–2014 have linked PFOA and PFOS exposure to functional immune changes in humans, which are consistent with evidence of PFOA- and PFOS-related immunotoxicity in animal studies.

NTP is conducting a systematic review of the evidence for an association between exposure to PFOA or PFOS and immunotoxicity or immune-related health effects. The NTP evaluation concept for immunotoxicity associated with exposure to PFOA or PFOS was initially presented and discussed at the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors (BSC) meeting on December 10, 2014 (79 FR 62640). The NTP evaluation concept, related presentation, and BSC meeting minutes are available at <http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/9741>. The protocol for conducting this systematic review is available at <http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/749926>.

Request for Information: OHAT invites the public and other interested parties to submit information on PFOA and PFOS including immune-related effects from completed and ongoing epidemiology studies, non-human animal studies, and mechanistic or in vitro studies. This information will be considered in evaluating the potential immune-related health effects of exposure to PFOA and PFOS. Information should be submitted to Dr. Yun Xie (see **ADDRESSES**).

Request for Nomination of Scientific Experts: OHAT invites nominations of qualified scientists to serve as members of an ad hoc expert panel to peer review the draft NTP monograph resulting from the systematic review of the evidence for an association between exposure to PFOA or PFOS and immunotoxicity. Scientists serving on the peer review panel will represent a wide range of expertise including, but not limited to, epidemiology, immunotoxicology, general toxicology, exposure assessment, and biostatistics. Each nomination should include (1) contact information for the nominee (name, affiliation, telephone number, and email), (2) curriculum vitae, and (3) a short description of the individual's expertise such as formal academic training and experience in a relevant scientific field, publications in peer-

reviewed journals, and membership in relevant professional societies. Nominations should be forwarded to Dr. Yun Xie (see **ADDRESSES**). Final selection of individuals to serve on the peer review panel will be made in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act and Department of Health and Human Services implementing regulations. All panel members serve as individual experts and not as representatives of their employers or other organizations.

Background Information on OHAT: OHAT was established to serve as an environmental health resource to the public and regulatory and health agencies (<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3094430>). This office conducts evaluations to assess the evidence that environmental chemicals, physical substances, or mixtures (collectively referred to as “substances”) cause adverse health effects and provides opinions on whether these substances may be of concern given what is known about current human exposure levels. OHAT also organizes workshops or state-of-the-science evaluations to address issues of importance in environmental health sciences. Information about OHAT is found at <http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/ohat>.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Advisory Council.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

Name of Committee: National Heart, Lung, and Blood Advisory Council.

Date: September 2, 2015.

Open: 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To discuss program policies and issues.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 35A, Porter Building, Room 640, 35A Convent Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Stephen C. Mockrin, Ph.D., Director, Division of Extramural Research Activities National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 7100, Bethesda, MD 20892 (301) 435-0260 mockrins@nhlbi.nih.gov.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to internal discussions regarding agenda and scheduling details.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

In the interest of security, NIH has instituted stringent procedures for entrance onto the NIH campus. All visitor vehicles, including taxicabs, hotel, and airport shuttles will be inspected before being allowed on campus. Visitors will be asked to show one form of identification (for example, a government-issued photo ID, driver's license, or passport) and to state the purpose of their visit.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: www.nhlbi.nih.gov/meetings/nhlbiac/index.htm, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

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National Institutes of Health

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Name of Committee: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Special, Emphasis Panel; Comparative and Developmental Perspectives on the Emergence of Cognitive Competence.

Date: August 31, 2015.

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Marita R. Hopmann, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Room 5B01, Bethesda, MD 20892-9304, (301) 435-6911, hopmannm@mail.nih.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

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Commercial Fishing Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Commercial Fishing Safety Advisory Committee will meet in Seattle, Washington to discuss various issues relating to safety in the commercial fishing industry. This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The Committee will meet on Tuesday, September 15 and Wednesday, September 16, 2015, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The meeting may close early if all business is finished.

ADDRESSES: The Committee will meet at the United States District Court House