Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 360j(f)(3)), as amended by the Medical Device Amendments of 1976, provides that each medical device panel include one nonvoting member to represent the

interests of the medical device manufacturing industry.

FDA is requesting nominations for nonvoting members representing industry interests for the following vacancies listed in table 1 of this document.

TABLE 1.

Medical Devices Panels	Approximate Date Needed
Dental Products Panel	November 1, 2009
General Hospital and Personal Use Devices Panel	January 1, 2010
Hematology and Pathology Devices Panel	March 1, 2010
Immunology Devices Panel	March 1, 2010
Ophthalmic Devices Panel	November 1, 2009

## I. Functions

The functions of the medical device panels are listed as follows: (1) Review and evaluate data on the safety and effectiveness of marketed and investigational devices and make recommendations for their regulation, (2) advise the Commissioner of Food and Drugs regarding recommended classification or reclassification of these devices into one of three regulatory categories, (3) advise on any possible risks to health associated with the use of devices, (4) advise on formulation of product development protocols, (5) review premarket approval applications for medical devices, (6) review guidelines and guidance documents, (7) recommend exemption to certain devices from the application of portions of the act, (8) advise on the necessity to ban a device, (9) respond to requests from the agency to review and make recommendations on specific issues or problems concerning the safety and effectiveness of devices, and (10) make recommendations on the quality in the design of clinical studies regarding the safety and effectiveness of marketed and investigational devices.

### II. Selection Procedure

Any industry organization interested in participating in the selection of an appropriate nonvoting member to represent industry interests should send a letter stating that interest to the contact person (see FOR FURTHER **INFORMATION CONTACT)** within 30 days of publication of this notice. Within the subsequent 30 days, FDA will send a letter to each organization that has expressed an interest, attaching a complete list of all such organizations, and a list of all nominees along with their current resumes. The letter will also state that it is the responsibility of the interested organizations to confer

with one another and to select a candidate, within 60 days after the receipt of the FDA letter, to serve as the nonvoting member to represent industry interests for a particular device panel. The interested organizations are not bound by the list of nominees in selecting a candidate. However, if no individual is selected within the 60 days, the Commissioner of Food and Drugs will select the nonvoting member to represent industry interests.

## III. Qualifications

Persons nominated for the device panels should be full time employees of firms that manufacture products that would come before the panel, or consulting firms that represent manufacturers, or have similar appropriate ties to industry.

# **IV. Application Procedure**

Individuals may self-nominate and/or an organization may nominate one or more individuals to serve as a nonvoting industry representative. Within the 30 days, the following information should be sent to the FDA contact person (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT): A current curriculum vitae of each nominee, current business and/or home address, telephone number, e-mail address, and the name of the device panel of interest. FDA will forward all nominations to the organizations expressing interest in participating in the selection process for the device panel. (Persons who nominate themselves as nonvoting industry representatives will not participate in the selection process).

FDA has a special interest in ensuring that women, minority groups, individuals with physical disabilities, and small businesses are adequately represented on its advisory committees, and therefore, encourages nominations

for appropriately qualified candidates from these groups.

This notice is issued under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2) and 21 CFR part 14, relating to advisory committees.

Dated: September 2, 2009.

#### David Horowitz,

Assistant Commissioner for Policy.
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# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration [Docket No. FDA-2009-N-0412]

Request for Nominations for Voting and Nonvoting Consumer Representative Members on Public Advisory Committees and Panels

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is requesting nominations for voting and nonvoting consumer representatives to serve on the National Mammography Quality Assurance Advisory Committee (NMQAAC) and certain devices panels of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee in the Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH).

FDA has a special interest in ensuring that women, minority groups, and individuals with disabilities are adequately represented on advisory committees and, therefore, encourages nominations of qualified candidates from these groups.

**DATES:** Nominations will be accepted for current vacancies and for those that will or may occur through October 31, 2010. Because vacancies occur on various

dates throughout the year, there is no cutoff date for the receipt of nominations.

ADDRESSES: All nomination for membership should be sent electronically to CV@OC.FDA.GOV or by mail to Advisory Committee Oversight and Management Staff or by mail to Advisory Committee Oversight and Management Staff (HF–4), 5600

Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Information about becoming a member on an FDA advisory committee can also be obtained by visiting FDA's Web site http://www.fda.gov/AdvisoryCommittees/AboutAdvisory Committees/CommitteeMembership/default.htm.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general information: Doreen

Brandes, Office of the Commissioner (HF–4), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 14C–3, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–8858, email: doreen.brandes@fda.hhs.gov.

For specific committee questions, contact the following persons listed in table 1 of this document.

## TABLE 1.

Contact Person	Committee/Panel
Geretta P. Wood, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 66, rm. 1682, Silver Spring, MD 20993, 301–796–5550, or e-mail Geretta.Wood@fda.hhs.gov	Certain Device Panels of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee
Normica Facey, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 66, rm. 4652, Silver Spring, MD 20993, e-mail: Normica.Facey@fda.hhs.gov	National Mammography Quality Assurance Advisory Committee

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## I. Vacancies

FDA is requesting nominations for voting and nonvoting consumer

representatives for the vacancies listed in table 2 of this document:

# TABLE 2.

Committee/Panel Expertise Needed	Current & Upcoming Vacancies	Approximate Date Needed
Circulatory System Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - interventional cardiologists, electrophysiologists, invasive (vascular) radiologists, vascular and cardiothoracic surgeons, and cardiologists with special interest in congestive heart failure	1-nonvoting	Immediately
Dental Products Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - dentists, engineers and scientists who have expertise in the areas of dental implants, dental materials, periodontology, tissue engineering, and dental anatomy	1-nonvoting	November 1, 2009
General and Plastic Surgery Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - surgeons (general, plastic, reconstructive, pediatric, thoracic, abdominal, pelvic and endoscopic); dermatologists; experts in biomaterials, lasers, wound healing, and quality of life; and biostatisticians	1-nonvoting	Immediately
Hematology and Pathology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - hematologists (benign and/or malignant hematology), hematopathologists (general and special hematology, coagulation and homeostasis, and hematological oncology), gynecologists with special interests in gynecological oncology, cytopathologists, and molecular pathologists with special interests in development of predictive and prognostic biomarkers	1-nonvoting	Immediately
Immunology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - persons with experience in medical, surgical, or clinical oncology, internal medicine, clinical immunology, al- lergy, molecular diagnostics, or clinical laboratory medicine	1-nonvoting	March 1, 2010
Medical Devices Dispute Resolution Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - experts with broad, cross-cutting scientific, clinical, analytical or mediation skills	1-nonvoting	Immediately

TABLE 2.—Continued

Committee/Panel Expertise Needed	Current & Upcoming Vacancies	Approximate Date Needed
Microbiology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - infectious disease clinicians, e.g., pulmonary disease specialists, sexually transmitted disease specialists, pediatric infectious disease specialists, experts in tropical medicine and emerging infectious diseases, biofilm develop- ment; mycologists; clinical microbiologists and virologists; clinical virology and microbiology laboratory directors, with expertise in clinical diagnosis and in vitro diagnostic assays, e.g., hepatologists; molecular biologists	1-nonvoting	Immediately
Molecular and Clinical Genetics Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - experts in human genetics and in the clinical management of patients with genetic disorders, e.g., pediatricians, obstetricians, neonatologists. Individuals with training in inborn errors of metabolism, biochemical and/or molecular genetics, population genetics, epidemiology and related statistical training, and clinical molecular genetics testing (e.g., genotyping, array CGH, etc.) Individuals with experience in genetics counseling, medical ethics are also desired, and individuals with experience in ancillary fields of study will be considered	1-nonvoting	June 1, 2010
Neurological Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - neurosurgeons (cerebrovascular and pediatric), neurologists (stroke, pediatric, pain management, and movement disorders), interventional neuroradiologists, psychiatrists, and biostatisticians	1-nonvoting	December 1, 2009
Obstetrics and Gynecology Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - experts in perinatology, embryology, reproductive endocrinology, pediatric gynecology, gynecological oncology, operative hysteroscopy, pelviscopy, electrosurgery, laser surgery, assisted reproductive technologies, contraception, postoperative adhesions, and cervical cancer and colposcopy; biostatisticians and engineers with experience in obstetrics/gynecology devices; urogynecologists; experts in breast care; experts in gynecology in the older patient; experts in diagnostic (optical) spectroscopy; experts in midwifery; labor and delivery nursing	1-nonvoting	February 1, 2010
Ophthalmic Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - ophthalmologists specializing in cataract and refractive surgery and vitreo-retinal surgery, in addition to vi- sion scientists, optometrists, and biostatisticians practiced in ophthalmic clinical trials	1-nonvoting	November 1, 2009
Orthopaedic and Rehabilitation Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee - orthopedic surgeons (joint, spine, trauma, and pediatric); rheumatologists; engineers (biomedical, biomaterials, and biomechanical); experts in rehabilitation medicine, sports medicine, and connective tissue engineering; and biostatisticians	1-nonvoting	Immediately
National Mammography Quality Assurance Advisory Com- mittee - physicians, practitioners, or other health profes- sionals whose clinical practice, research specialization, or professional expertise include a significant focus on mam- mography	2-voting	February 1, 2010

# II. Functions

A. National Mammography Quality Assurance Advisory Committee

The committee advises FDA on the following topics: (1) Developing appropriate quality standards and regulations for mammography facilities, (2) developing appropriate standards

and regulations for bodies accrediting mammography facilities under this program, (3) developing regulations with respect to sanctions, (4) developing procedures for monitoring compliance with standards, (5) establishing a mechanism to investigate consumer complaints, (6) reporting new developments concerning breast

imaging which should be considered in the oversight of mammography facilities, (7) determining whether there exists a shortage of mammography facilities in rural and health professional shortage areas and determining the effects of personnel on access to the services of such facilities in such areas, (8) determining whether there will exist a sufficient number of medical physicists after October 1, 1999, and (9) determining the costs and benefits of compliance with these requirements.

B. Certain Panels of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee

The committee reviews and evaluates data on the safety and effectiveness of marketed and investigational devices and makes recommendations for their regulation. The panels engage in a number of activities to fulfill the functions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) envisions for device advisory panels. With the exception of the Medical Devices Dispute Resolution Panel, each panel, according to its specialty area, advises the Commissioner of Food and Drugs (the Commissioner) regarding recommended classification or reclassification of devices into one of three regulatory categories, advises on any possible risks to health associated with the use of devices, advises on formulation of product development protocols, reviews premarket approval applications for medical devices, reviews guidelines and guidance documents, recommends exemption of certain devices from the application of portions of the act, advises on the necessity to ban a device, and responds to requests from the agency to review and make recommendations on specific issues or problems concerning the safety and effectiveness of devices. With the exception of the Medical Devices Dispute Resolution Panel, each panel, according to its specialty area, may also make appropriate recommendations to the Commissioner on issues relating to the design of clinical studies regarding the safety and effectiveness of marketed and investigational devices.

## III. Criteria for Members

Persons nominated for membership as a consumer representatives on the committee/panels must meet the following criteria: (1) Demonstrate ties to consumer and community-based organizations, (2) be able to analyze technical data, (3) understand research design, (4) discuss benefits and risks, and (5) evaluate the safety and efficacy of products under review. The consumer representative must be able to represent the consumer perspective on issues and actions before the advisory committee; serve as a liaison between the committee and interested consumers, associations, coalitions, and consumer organizations; and facilitate dialogue with the advisory committees on scientific issues that affect consumers.

#### **IV. Selection Procedures**

Selection of members representing consumer interests is conducted through procedures that include the use of organizations representing the public interest and consumer advocacy groups. The organizations have the responsibility of recommending candidates of the agency's selection.

#### V. Nomination Procedures

All nominations must include a cover letter, a curriculum vita or resume (that includes the nominee's office address, telephone number, and e-mail address), and a list of consumer or community-based organizations for which the candidate can demonstrate active participation.

Nominations will specify the advisory committee or panel(s) for which the nominee is recommended. Nominations will include confirmation that the nominee is aware of the nomination.

Any interested person or organization may nominate one or more qualified persons for membership as consumer representatives on the advisory committee/panels. Self-nominations are also accepted. Potential candidates will be required to provide detail information concerning such matters as financial holdings, employment, and research grants and/or contracts to permit evaluation of possible sources of a conflict of interest. The nomination should specify the committee/panels of interest. The term of office is up to 4 years, depending on the appointment date.

This notice is issued under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2) and 21 CFR part 14, relating to advisory committees.

Dated: September 2, 2009.

#### David Horowitz,

Assistant Commissioner for Policy.
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# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5281-N-66]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Emergency Comment Request; Broadband Research Project

**AGENCY:** Office of Policy Development and Research, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) for emergency review and approval, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** Comments Due Date: September 16, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within fourteen (14) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval number and should be sent to: Mr. Ross A. Rutledge, HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20502; e-mail: Ross A. Rutledge@omb.eop.gov; fax:

Ross\_A.\_Rutledge@omb.eop.gov; fax (202) 395–5806.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lillian Deitzer, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail: Lillian.L.Deitzer@hud.gov; telephone (202) 402–8048. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents should be submitted to OMB and may be obtained from Ms. Deitzer.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Notice informs the public that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has submitted to OMB, for emergency processing, a proposed information collection as part of planning for the National Broadband Plan ordered under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The information will describe the availability and usage of broadband internet services in HUD-assisted housing and at Neighborhood Networks Centers. The respondents are Public Housing Authorities, Tribes and managers of multi-family and HOME Investment Partnerships Program properties as well as managers of Neighborhood Networks Centers. HUD will survey all PHAs, Indian Tribes and managers of Neighborhood Networks Centers and a 500-respondent sample for each of Multi-Family managers with e-mail address, Multi-Family managers without e-mail addresses and HOME managers.

For the Residential Broadband Survey, each respondent will be asked to voluntarily disclose whether broadband internet service is available in their project and approximately how many residents subscribe to that service. For the Neighborhood Networks Survey, each Center manager will be voluntarily asked to describe the programming offered at their Center as well as the number of users who utilize the Center.