

the EPA Administrator on the technical basis for EPA actions. As a Federal Advisory Committee, the SAB conducts business in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App. C) and related regulations. Generally, SAB meetings are announced in the **Federal Register**, conducted in public view, and provide opportunities for public input during deliberations. Additional information about the SAB and its committees can be obtained on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

Expertise Sought: The SAB Staff Office requests nominations of engineers, ecologists, public health and biomedical scientists, and chemical and physical scientists to be considered for appointment to the expert panel described above. The Staff Office is interested in nominees who are nationally recognized experts with experience and expertise in designing, implementing, and applying indicator information and data at regional and national scales to evaluate the condition of air, water, and land environments, human health, and ecological condition as covered in ROE 2007. These include: (1) Air (e.g., outdoor or indoor air quality, greenhouse gases, etc.); (2) water (e.g., water and watersheds, drinking water, recreation in and on water, consumption of fish and shellfish, etc.); (3) land (e.g., land use, land cover, chemicals in the landscape, waste contaminated lands, etc.); (4) human health (e.g., pollution and disease, health and disease status and trends, epidemiology, exposure to environmental pollution, etc.); and (5) ecological condition (e.g., stressors and outcomes for aquatic, terrestrial, near-coastal, coastal, and ocean systems, etc.).

How to Submit Nominations: Any interested person or organization may nominate qualified individuals to be considered for appointment on this SAB Panel. Candidates may also nominate themselves. Nominations should be submitted in electronic format (which is preferred over hard copy) through the Form for Nominating Individuals to Panels of the EPA Science Advisory Board provided on the SAB Web site. The form can be accessed through the SAB Nomination Form link on the blue navigational bar on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>. To receive full consideration, nominations should include all of the information requested on that form.

The nominating form requests contact information about: The person making the nomination; contact information about the nominee; the disciplinary and specific areas of expertise of the

nominee; the nominee's curriculum vita; sources of recent grant and/or contract support; and a biographical sketch of the nominee indicating current position; educational background; research activities; and recent service on other national advisory committees or national professional organizations.

Persons having questions about the nomination procedures, or who are unable to submit nominations through the SAB Web site, should contact Dr. Thomas Armitage, DFO, at the contact information provided above in this notice. Non-electronic submissions must follow the same format and contain the same information as the electronic.

The SAB Staff Office will acknowledge receipt of the nomination and inform nominees of the panel for which they have been nominated. From the nominees identified by respondents to this **Federal Register** notice (termed the *Widecast*) and other sources, the SAB Staff Office will develop a smaller subset (known as the *Short List* for more detailed consideration. The Short List will be posted on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>, and will include, for each candidate, the nominee's name and biosketch. Public comments on the Short List will be accepted for 21 calendar days. During this comment period, the public will be requested to provide information, analysis or other documentation on nominees that the SAB Staff Office should consider in evaluating candidates for the Panels.

For the SAB, a balanced panel is characterized by inclusion of candidates who possess the necessary domains of knowledge, the relevant scientific perspectives (which, among other factors, can be influenced by work history and affiliation), and the collective breadth of experience to adequately address the charge. Public responses to the Short List candidates will be considered in the selection of the panels, along with information provided by candidates and information gathered by SAB Staff independently of the background of each candidate (e.g., financial disclosure information and computer searches to evaluate a nominee's prior involvement with the topic under review). Specific criteria to be used in evaluation of an individual Panel member include: (a) Scientific and/or technical expertise, knowledge, and experience (primary factors); (b) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (c) scientific credibility and impartiality; (d) availability and willingness to serve; and (e) ability to work constructively and effectively in committees.

Short List candidates will be required to fill-out the *Confidential Financial Disclosure Form for Special Government Employees Serving on Federal Advisory Committees at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* (EPA Form 3110-48). This confidential form allows Government officials to determine whether there is a statutory conflict between that person's public responsibilities (which includes membership on an EPA Federal advisory committee) and private interests and activities, or the appearance of a lack of impartiality, as defined by Federal regulation. The form may be viewed and downloaded from the following URL address: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/epaform3110-48.pdf>.

Dated: May 18, 2006.

Anthony F. Maciorowski,

Associate Director for Science, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

DATE & TIME: Thursday, May 25, 2006 at 10 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC (Ninth Floor).

STATUS: This meeting will be open to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Advisory Opinion 2006-19: Los Angeles County Democratic Party Central Committee. Routine Administrative Matters.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Biersack, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

Mary W. Dove,

Secretary of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Meeting of the President's Council on Bioethics on June 22-23, 2006

AGENCY: The President's Council on Bioethics, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The President's Council on Bioethics (Edmund D. Pellegrino, MD, Chairman) will hold its twenty-fifth meeting, at which, among other things,

it will hear presentations on and discuss issues in two broad areas (1) organ transplantation and procurement and (2) newborn screening for genetic disorders. The discussions in both areas are continuations of previous Council discussions. Subjects discussed at past Council meetings (although not on the agenda for the June 2006 meeting) include: human dignity, therapeutic and reproductive cloning, assisted reproduction, reproductive genetics, neuroscience, aging retardation, and lifespan-extension. Publications issued by the Council to date include: *Human Cloning and Human Dignity: An Ethical Inquiry* (July 2002); *Beyond Therapy: Biotechnology and the Pursuit of Happiness* (October 2003); *Being Human: Readings from the President's Council on Bioethics* (December 2003); *Monitoring Stem Cell Research* (January 2004), *Reproduction and Responsibility: The Regulation of New Biotechnologies* (March 2004), *Alternative Sources of Human Pluripotent Stem Cells: A White Paper* (May 2005), and *Taking Care: Ethical Caregiving in Our Aging Society* (September 2005).

DATES: The meeting will take place Thursday, June 22, 2006, from 9:00 am to 5:15 pm, ET; and Friday, June 23, 2006, from 8:30 am to 12 noon, ET.

ADDRESSES: St. Regis Hotel, 923 16th and K Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20006. Phone 202-638-2626.

Agenda: The meeting agenda will be posted at <http://www.bioethics.gov>.

Public Comments: The Council encourages public input, either in person or in writing. At this meeting, interested members of the public may address the Council, beginning at 11:45 am, on Friday, June 23. Comments are limited to no more than five minutes per speaker or organization. As a courtesy, please inform Ms. Diane Gianelli, Director of Communications, in advance of your intention to make a public statement, and give your name and affiliation. To submit a written statement, mail or e-mail it to Ms. Gianelli at one of the addresses given below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Diane Gianelli, Director of Communications, The President's Council on Bioethics, Suite 700, 1801 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: 202/296-4669. E-mail: info@bioethics.gov. Web site: <http://www.bioethics.gov>.

Dated: May 15, 2006.

F. Daniel Davis,

Executive Director, The President's Council on Bioethics.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration on Aging

Availability of Funding Opportunity Announcement

Funding Opportunity Title/Program Name: Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative: Building Upon Success.

Announcement Type: Initial.

Funding Opportunity Number: HHS-2006-AoA-DR-0605.

Statutory Authority: The Older Americans Act, Public Law 106-501.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 93.048, Title IV and Title II, Discretionary Projects.

Dates: The deadline date for the submission of applications is July 21, 2006.

I. Funding Opportunity Description

In FY 2003, the Administration on Aging (AoA) and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) formed a historic partnership to launch the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) demonstration grant initiative. The goal of the ADRC program is to empower individuals to make informed choices and to streamline access to long term support services. AoA and CMS share a vision to have Resource Centers in every community serving as highly visible and trusted places where people of all ages can turn for information on the full range of long term support options and a single point of entry to public long term support programs and benefits. ADRCs are a resource for both public and private-pay individuals. They serve older adults, younger individuals with disabilities, family caregivers, as well as persons planning for future long term support needs. ADRCs are also a resource for health and long term support professionals and others who provide services to older adults and to people with disabilities. Since FY 2003, 43 states have received three year grants from AoA and CMS to design and implement ADRC demonstrations serving the elderly and at least one other target population of adults with disabilities in at least one community. An ADRC Program Announcement published in FY 2003 resulted in the

funding of twelve states that year with an additional twelve states funded to develop ADRC programs in FY 2004. Nineteen additional states were funded to develop ADRC programs based on a Program Announcement published in FY 2005. To view the Program Announcements published in FY 2003 and FY 2005 go to http://www.aoa.gov/prof/aging_dis/background.asp. For more information on the 43 funded ADRC projects go to www.adrc-tae.org.

This announcement seeks proposals for competitive grants to assist states funded to develop ADRCs in FY 2003 to significantly expand their existing Resource Center programs. Building on current efforts, state Resource Center programs funded under this Program Announcement will be:

(1) Expanded to provide services to additional communities, and/or;

(2) Positioned to assume the role as the only entry point to publicly funded long-term support systems, and/or;

(3) Enhanced to provide more efficient and effective access services.

A detailed description of the funding opportunity may be found at <http://www.aoa.gov/doingbus/fundopp/fundopp.asp>.

II. Award Information

1. Funding Instrument Type

These new grants will be issued as cooperative agreements because AoA, in cooperation with CMS, anticipates having substantial involvement with the recipients during performance of funded activities. This involvement may include collaboration, participation, or intervention in the funded activities. AoA, in cooperation with CMS, will also be involved in the development and implementation of the funded projects by way of conducting a review of the applications and providing technical assistance, training, guidance, and oversight throughout the two-year project period. Grantees will be expected to keep in contact with their Federal project officer on a regular basis. Grantees will also be expected to share all significant products that result from their projects with AoA.

2. Anticipated Total Priority Area Funding Per Budget Period

The total amount of Federal funds available for this funding opportunity is \$4 million. AoA anticipates funding 10 projects nationwide for a period of up to 2 years. The maximum Federal award for the entire 2-year project period is approximately \$400,000. Applicants are encouraged to develop project budgets that reflect annual Federal funding of approximately \$200,000 for each project year.