

Name of SEP: Development and Implementation of a Plan to Assess the Neurodevelopment of Infants and Children Exposed to Drug *in utero* (TELECONFERENCE).

Date: July 29, 1997.

Time: 2:00 p.m. (est)—adjournment.

Place: 6100 Executive Boulevard, 6100 Building—Room 5E01, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Contact Person: Hameed Khan, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, NICHD, 6100 Executive Boulevard, 6100 Building, Room 5E01, Rockville, Maryland 20852, Telephone: 301-496-1485.

Purpose: To provide concept review of proposed contract solicitations.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. [93.864, Population Research and No. 93.865, Research for Mothers and Children], National Institutes of Health)

Dated: July 3, 1997.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Mental Health; Notice of Closed Meetings

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 meetings of the National Institute of Mental Health:

Agenda/Purpose: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Committee Name: National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: July 11, 1997.

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: Parklawn, Room 9C-26, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

Contact Person: Lawrence E. Chaitkin, Parklawn, Room 9C-26, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301, 443-4843.

Committee Name: National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: July 14, 1997.

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Place: Parklawn, Room 9C-26, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

Contact Person: Lawrence E. Chaitkin, Parklawn, Room 9C-26, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301, 443-4843.

Committee Name: National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: July 17, 1997.

Time: 11 a.m.

Place: Parklawn, Room 9C-26, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

Contact Person: Lawrence E. Chaitkin, Parklawn, Room 9C-26, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301, 443-4843.

Committee Name: National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: July 21, 1997.

Time: 8 a.m.

Place: Parklawn, Room 9-101, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

Contact Person: Shirley H. Maltz, Parklawn, Room 9-101, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301, 443-3936.

Committee Name: National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: July 25, 1997.

Time: 8 a.m.

Place: Parklawn, Room 9-101, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

Contact Person: Shirley H. Maltz, Parklawn, Room 9-101, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301, 443-3936.

Committee Name: National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: July 28, 1997.

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Place: Ramada Inn Rockville, 1775 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Lawrence E. Chaitkin, Parklawn, Room 9C-26, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301, 443-4843.

Committee Name: National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: July 30, 1997.

Time: 8 a.m.

Place: Parklawn, Room 9-101, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

Contact Person: Shirley H. Maltz, Parklawn, Room 9-101, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301, 443-3936.

The meetings will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(b)(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.

This notice is being published less than fifteen days prior to the meetings due to the urgent need to meeting timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Numbers 93.242, 93.281, 93.282)

Dated: July 3, 1997.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Division of Research Grants; Notice of Closed Meetings

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 Division of Research Grants Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meetings:

Purpose/Agenda: To review individual grant applications.

Name of SEP: Biological and Physiological Sciences.

Date: July 22-23, 1997.

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Dupont Plaza Hotel, Washington, DC.

Contact Person: Dr. Michael Lang, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5122, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, (301) 435-1265.

Name of SEP: Biological and Physiological Sciences.

Date: July 24, 1997.

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Room 4178, Telephone Conference.

Contact Person: Dr. Marcia Litwack, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4150, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, (301) 435-1719.

Name of SEP: Microbiological and Immunological Sciences.

Date: July 29, 1997.

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Room 4178, Telephone Conference.

Contact Person: Dr. Jean Hickman, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4178, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, (301) 435-1146.

Name of SEP: Microbiological and Immunological Sciences.

Date: July 30, 1997.

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Room 4178, Telephone Conference.

Contact Person: Dr. Jean Hickman, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4178, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, (301) 435-1146.

Name of SEP: Chemistry and Related Sciences.

Date: August 7, 1997.

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Room 4168, Telephone Conference.

Contact Person: Dr. John Bowers, Scientific Review Administrator 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4168, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, (301) 435-1725.

Purpose/Agenda: To review Small Business Innovation Research.

Name of SEP: Chemistry and Related Sciences.

Date: July 30, 1997.

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Room 4168, Telephone Conference.

Contact Person: Dr. John Bowers, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4168, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, (301) 435-1725.

The meetings will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552(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 Nos. 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)

Dated: July 7, 1997.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

National Toxicology Program; Call for Public Comments; Substances, Mixtures and Exposure Circumstances Proposed for Listing in or Delisting (Removing) From the Report on Carcinogens, Ninth Edition

Background

The National Toxicology Program (NTP) announces its intent to review additional substances, mixtures and exposure circumstances for possible listing in or delisting (removing) from the Report on Carcinogens, Ninth Edition. This Report (previously known as the Annual Report on Carcinogens) is a Congressionally-mandated listing of known human carcinogens and reasonably anticipated human carcinogens and its preparation is delegated to the National Toxicology Program by the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Section 301(b)(4) of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, provides that the Secretary, (HHS), shall publish a report which contains a list of all substances (1) which either are known to be human carcinogens or may

reasonably be anticipated to be human carcinogens; and (2) to which a significant number of persons residing in the United States (US) are exposed. The law also states that the reports should provide available information on the nature of exposures, the estimated number of persons exposed and the extent to which the implementation of Federal regulations decreases the risk to public health from exposure to these chemicals.

The review of the substances, mixtures or exposure circumstances for listing in or delisting from the Ninth Report will involve a multiphased, peer review process involving two Federal scientific review groups and one non-government, scientific peer review body (a subcommittee of the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors) which will meet in an open, public meeting that will provide for public comments. All available data relevant to the criteria for inclusion or removal of candidate agents, substances, mixtures or exposure circumstances in the Report will be evaluated by the three scientific review committees. The criteria to be used in the review process and the detailed description of the review procedures, including the steps in the formal review process, can be obtained by contacting: Dr. C. W. Jameson, National Toxicology Program, Report on Carcinogens, MD WC–05, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709; phone: (919) 541–4096, fax: (919) 541–2242, email: jameson@niehs.nih.gov.

Public Comment Requested

The NTP will be considering 14 substances, mixtures and exposure circumstances in 1997, for either listing or delisting (removing) from, or changing the current listing from reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen to the known human carcinogen category in the Ninth Report. These substances, mixtures or exposure circumstances are provided in the

following table with their Chemical Abstracts Services (CAS) Registry numbers (where available) and pending review action.

The NTP solicits public input on these 14 substances, mixtures and exposure circumstances and asks for relevant information anyone may have on carcinogenesis from completed, ongoing, or planned studies by others, as well as current production data, use patterns, and human exposure information for any of the substances, mixtures or exposure circumstances listed in this announcement. Comments concerning the review of these substances, mixtures or exposure circumstances for listing in or delisting from the Ninth Report will be accepted for a period of 45 days from the date of the publication of this announcement in the **Federal Register**. Comments or questions should be directed to Dr. C. W. Jameson at the address listed above.

Public Nominations for Delisting or Listing Encouraged

The NTP solicits and encourages the broadest participation from interested individuals or parties in nominating agents, substances, or mixtures for listing in or delisting from the ninth and future Reports on Carcinogens. Petitions should contain a rationale for listing or delisting. Appropriate background information and relevant data (e.g. Journal articles, NTP Technical Reports, IARC listings, exposure surveys, release inventories, etc.) which support a petition should be provided or referenced when possible.

A detailed description of listing/delisting procedures, including the steps in the formal review process, can be obtained by contacting Dr. Jameson at the address listed above.

Attachment:
Kenneth Olden,
Director, National Toxicology Program.

Summary for Substances, Mixtures or Exposure Circumstances Nominated for Consideration of Listing in or Delisting From the Ninth Report on Carcinogens

Substance or exposure circumstance/CAS No.	Primary uses or exposures	To be reviewed for
BENZIDINE-BASED DYES AS A CLASS.	Benzidine-based dyes are used primarily for dyeing textiles, paper and leather products. More than 250 benzidine-based dyes have been reported by the Society of Dyers and Colorists.	Listing in the 9th Report.
1,3-BUTADIENE/106–99–0	Used primarily as a chemical intermediate and polymer component in the manufacture of synthetic rubber.	Change current listing to the Known to be a Human Carcinogen category.
CADMIUM and CADMIUM COMPOUNDS/7440–43–9.	Used in batteries, coating and plating, plastic and synthetic products and in alloys.	Change current listing to the Known to be a Human Carcinogen category.
CHLOROPRENE/126–99–8	Used as a monomer for neoprene elastomers, industrial rubber products, and as a component of adhesives in food packaging.	Listing in the 9th Report.