

clearance under section 3507 of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3507). An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has now approved the information collection and has assigned OMB control number 0910-0320. The approval expires on July 31, 2001.

Dated: August 25, 1998.

William K. Hubbard,

Associate Commissioner for Policy Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on May 5, 1998, page 24814 and allowed 60-days for public comment. No public comments were received. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment. The National Institutes of Health may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Proposed Collection

Title: Hazardous Waste Worker Training—42 CFR part 65. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of OMB No. 0925-0348 and expiration date 09/30/98). *Need and Use of Information Collection:* This request for OMB review and approval of the information collection is required by regulation 42 CFR part 65(a)(6). The NIEHS has been given major responsibility for initiating a worker safety and health training program under Section 126 of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) for hazardous waste workers and emergency responders. A network of non-profit organizations that

are committed to protecting workers and their communities by delivering high-quality, peer-reviewed safety and health curricula to target populations of hazardous waste workers and emergency responders has been developed.

During the first ten years of the NIEHS Worker Training program (FY 1987-97), the NIEHS has successfully supported 20 primary grantees who have trained over 1,140,000 workers across the country and presented nearly 60,000 classroom and hands-on training courses, which have accounted for almost 20 million contact hours of actual training. Generally, the grant will initially be for one year, and subsequent continuation awards are also for one year at a time.

Grantees must submit a separate application to have the support continued for each subsequent year. Grantees are to provide information in accordance with S65.4(a), (b), (c) and 65.6(a) on the nature, duration, and purpose of the training, selection criteria for trainees' qualifications, and competency of the project director and staff, cooperative arrangements in the case of joint applications, the adequacy of training plans and resources, including budget and response to meeting training criteria in OSHA's Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response Regulations (29 CFR 1910.120 and 29 CFR 1910.121). The information collected is used by the Director through officers, employees, experts, and consultants to evaluate applications based on technical merit to determine whether to make awards.

Frequency of Response: Biannual. *Affected Public:* Non-profit organizations. *Type of Respondents:* Grantees. The annual reporting burden is as follows: *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 20; *Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 2; *Average Burden Hours per Response:* 8; and *Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested:* 320. The annualized costs to respondents is estimated at: \$7,000. There are no Capital Costs, Operating Costs and/or Maintenance Costs to report.

Request for Comments

Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following points: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of

information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Direct Comments to OMB

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for NIH. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, contact: Joseph T. Hughes, Jr., Director, Worker Education and Training Program, Division of Extramural Research and Training, NIEHS, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 or call non-toll-free number (919) 541-0217 or E-mail your request, including your address to hughes3@niehs.nih.gov.

Comments Due Date

Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received October 2, 1998.

Dated: August 17, 1998.

Samuel Wilson,

Deputy Director, NIEHS.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke; Notice of 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 meetings of the National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council.

The meetings 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 Contract Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meetings 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/or contract proposals 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 and/or contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council, Council Review Committee.

Date: September 16, 1998.

Closed: 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Tia Queta Restaurant, 4839 Del Ray Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Constance W. Atwell, PHD, Director, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes of Health, Federal Building, Room 1014, 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496-9248.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council.

Date: September 17-18, 1998.

Open: September 17, 1998, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM.

Agenda: Report by the Director, NINDS; Report by the Director, Division of Extramural Activities; and other administrative and program developments.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Building 31, Conference Room 6, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: September 17, 1998, 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Building 31, Conference Room 6, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: September 18, 1998, 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM.

Agenda: Meeting with NIMH Council to discuss collaborative research.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 1, Wilson Hall, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: September 18, 1998, 9:00 AM to adjournment.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Building 31, Conference Room 6, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Constance W. Atwell, PHD, Director, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes of Health, Federal Building, Room 1014, 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496-9248.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.853, Clinical Research Related to Neurological Disorders; 93.854, Biological Basis Research in the Neurosciences, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: August 26, 1998.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee on September 24-25, 1998. The meeting will be held at the National Institutes of Health, Building 31C, 6th Floor, Conference Room 10, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, starting on September 24, 1998, at approximately 9 a.m., and will recess at approximately 5 p.m. The meeting will reconvene on September 25, 1998, at approximately 8:30 a.m. and will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be open to the public. Agenda items will include: (1) Discussions of recently submitted human gene transfer protocols, including two prototypic in utero transfer protocols, (2) data management activities related to human gene transfer clinical trials, and (3) other matters to be considered by the Committee. The two prototypic in utero gene transfer protocols are entitled: In Utero Gene Transfer for the Treatment of ADA-Deficient SCID and In Utero Gene Transfer for the Treatment of Alpha-Thalassemia. The purpose for discussing these two protocols are: (1) To provide a framework for continued discussion of the science, safety, and ethical issues at the December 7-8 Gene Therapy Policy Conference (GTPC) entitled: Gene Transfer in Prenatal Medicine; and (2) to stimulate the development of a guidance document for this novel area of research within the context of the NIH Guidelines. The discussion at this meeting should be considered as the first of many deliberations on these two protocols, as well as on the general issue of in utero gene transfer research; subsequent discussions will deal more substantively with each of the issues identified in this initial discussion. Attendance by the public will be limited to space available.

Debra W. Knorr, Acting Director, Office of Recombinant DNA Activities, National Institutes of Health, MSC 7010, 6000 Executive Boulevard, Suite 302, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7010, Phone (301) 496-9838, FAX (301) 496-9839, will provide summaries of the meeting and a roster of committee members upon request. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Ms. Knorr in advance of the meeting.

OMB's "Mandatory Information Requirements for Federal Assistance Program Announcements" (45 FR 39592, June 11, 1980) requires a statement concerning the official government programs contained in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance. Normally NIH lists in its announcements the number and title of affected individual programs for the guidance of the public. Because the guidance in this notice covers virtually every NIH and Federal research program in which DNA recombinant molecule techniques could be used, it has been determined not to be cost effective or in the public interest to attempt to list these programs. Such a list would likely require several additional pages. In addition, NIH could not be certain that every Federal program would be included as many Federal agencies, as well as private organizations, both national and international, have elected to follow the NIH Guidelines. In lieu of the individual program listing, NIH invites readers to direct questions to the information address above about whether individual programs listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance are affected.

Dated: August 26, 1998.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Center for Scientific Review; 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.

The meetings 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.,