

For purposes of section 1102(b) of the Act, we consider a small rural hospital as a hospital that is located outside of a Metropolitan Statistical Area and has fewer than 50 beds.

This notice merely announces that the monthly Medicare Part A hospital insurance premium for the uninsured aged and for certain disabled individuals who have exhausted other entitlement for the 12 months beginning January 1, 1999 is \$309. It also announces that the premium for certain other individuals subject to a reduction in the monthly premium is \$170. There is neither cost nor savings as a result of this notice because the premium amount for calendar year 1999 is unchanged from calendar year 1998. Therefore, this notice is not a major rule as defined in Title 5, United States Code, section 804(2) and is not an economically significant rule under Executive Order 12866.

Therefore, we have determined, and the Secretary certifies, that this notice will not result in a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities and will not have a significant effect on the operations of a substantial number of small rural hospitals. Therefore, we are not preparing analyses for either the RFA or section 1102(b) of the Act.

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12866, this notice was reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

**Authority:** Sections 1818(d)(2) and 1818A(d)(2) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395i-2(d)(2) and 1395i-2a(d)(2)). (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance)

Dated: September 28, 1998.

**Nancy-Ann Min DeParle,**

*Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.*

Dated: October 8, 1998.

**Donna E. Shalala,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Cancer Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting

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 meeting.

The meeting 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 the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

**Name of Committee:** National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel.

**Date:** November 9, 1998.

**Time:** 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Agenda:** To review and evaluate cooperative agreement applications.

**Place:** 6130 Executive Blvd. 6th Floor, Rockville, MD 20852, (Telephone Conference Call).

**Contact Person:** Rashmi Gopal, Scientific Review Administrator, Office of Advisory Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, 6130 Executive Boulevard/EPN-Room 609, Rockville, MD 20892-7410, 301/496-2378.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.392, Cancer Construction; 93.393, Cancer Cause and Prevention Research; 93.394, Cancer Detection and Diagnosis Research; 93.395, Cancer Treatment Research; 93.396, Cancer Biology Research; 93.397, Cancer Centers Support; 93.398, Cancer Research Manpower; 93.399, Cancer Control, National Institutes of Health, HHS).

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**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Committee Management Officer, NIH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

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

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 meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(4) and 552(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable materials, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

**Name of Committee:** National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Special Emphasis Panel Strategies to Augment Alveolization.

**Date:** November 18, 1998.

**Time:** 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.

**Agenda:** To review and evaluate grant applications.

**Place:** Holiday Inn Chevy Chase, 5520 Wisconsin Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

**Contact Person:** Anne P. Clark, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, NIH, NHLBI, DEA, Review Branch, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 7186, Bethesda, MD 20892-7924, (301) 435-0280.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.233, National Center for Sleep Disorders Research; 93.837, Heart and Vascular Diseases Research; 93.838, Lung Diseases Research; 93.839, Blood Diseases and Resources Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Human Genome Research Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting

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 meeting.

The meeting 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 the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

**Name of Committee:** National Human Genome Research Institute Initial Review Group, Genome Research Review Committee.

**Date:** November 5, 1998.

**Time:** 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Agenda:** To review and evaluate grant applications.

**Place:** National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health, Building 38A, Room 609, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

**Contact Person:** Ken D. Nakamura, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Office of Scientific Review, National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-402-0838. (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.172, Human Genome Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Human Genome Research Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting

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 meeting.

The meeting 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 the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Human Genome Research Institute Initial Review Group, Ethical, Legal, Social Implications Review Committee.

*Date:* November 3, 1998.

*Time:* 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health, Building 38A, Room 609, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Rudy O Pozzatti, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Office of Scientific Review, National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-402-0838. (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.172, Human Genome Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute on Aging; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice

is hereby given of a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors, NIA.

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.

The meeting will be closed to the public as indicated below in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended for the review, discussion, and evaluation of individual intramural programs and projects conducted by the National Institute on Aging, including consideration of personnel qualifications and performance, and the competence of individual investigators, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* Board of Scientific Counselors, NIA Review of the laboratory of Cellular & Molecular Biology & the Laboratory of Neuroscience.

*Date:* November 16-17, 1998.

*Time:* 8:00 PM to 5:30 PM.

*Agenda:* Personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

*Place:* Gerontology Research Center, 4940 Eastern Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21224.

*Contact Person:* Dan L. Longo, Scientific Director, National Institute of Aging, Gerontology Research Center, National Institutes of Health, 5600 Nathan Shock Drive, Baltimore, MD 21224-6825, 410-558-8110, dl14q@nia.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.866, Aging Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute on Deafness & other Communication Disorders; 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., as amended. The grant applications 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, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Deafness and Other Communications Disorders Special Emphasis.

*Date:* November 2, 1998.

*Time:* 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* 6120 Executive Blvd, Suite 400C, Bethesda, MD 20852 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Richard S. Fisher, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Deafness and Other Communications Disorders Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* November 12, 1998.

*Time:* 11:00 am to 11:30 am.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* 6120 Executive Blvd, Suite 400C, Bethesda, MD 20852 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Melissa Stick, PhD, MPH, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, NIDCD/NIH, 6120 Executive Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-496-8683.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Deafness and Other Communications Disorders Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* November 17, 1998.

*Time:* 7:30 am to 4:00 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Best Western Inn, 1251 W. Montgomery Avenue, Rockville, MD 20850.

*Contact Person:* Richard S. Fisher, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator. (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.173, Biological Research Related to Deafness and Communicative Disorders, National Institutes of Health, HHS).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institutes of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

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 meeting.