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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, ZRG1 IFCN-8 (01)

*Date:* June 14-15, 1999.

*Time:* 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Capital Holiday Inn, 550 C Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20024.

*Contact Person:* Samuel Rawlings, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5160, MSC 7844, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1243.

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*Name of Committee:* Surgery, Radiology and Bioengineering Initial Review Group, Surgery and Bioengineering Study Section.

*Date:* June 14-15, 1999.

*Time:* 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Georgetown Holiday Inn, 2101 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20007.

*Contact Person:* Teresa Nesbitt, DVM, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5118, MSC 7854, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1172.

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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, BDCN.

*Date:* June 14-15, 1999.

*Time:* 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Washington Marriott Hotel, 1221 22nd Street NW, Washington, DC 20037.

*Contact Person:* Jay Cinque, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5186, MSC 7846, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1252.

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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* June 14-15, 1999.

*Time:* 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Governor's House Hotel, Washington, DC.

*Contact Person:* Mary Sue Krause, MEDS, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for

Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3168, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-0681.

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*Name of Committee:* Musculoskeletal and Dental Sciences Initial Review Group, General Medicine A Subcommittee 1.

*Date:* June 14-15, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Bethesda Holiday Inn, Bethesda, MD 20017.

*Contact Person:* Harold M. Davidson, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4216, MSC 7814, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1776, davidsoh@csr.nih.gov

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*Name of Committee:* Musculoskeletal and Dental Sciences Initial Review Group, Oral Biology and Medicine Subcommittee 2.

*Date:* June 14-15, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Holiday Inn Old Town Alexandria, 480 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

*Contact Person:* Priscilla Chen, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4104, MSC 7814, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1787.

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*Name of Committee:* Biochemical Sciences Initial Review Group, Medical Biochemistry Study Section.

*Date:* June 14-15, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Georgetown Suites, 1111 30th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20007.

*Contact Person:* Alexander S. Liacouras, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5154, MSC 7842, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1740.

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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* June 14, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 am to 11:00 am.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Wyndham Bristol Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20037.

*Contact Person:* Nabeeh Mourad, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for

Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4212, MSC 7812, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1222.

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*Name of Committee:* Genetic Sciences Initial Review Group, Mammalian Genetics Study Section.

*Date:* June 14-15, 1999.

*Time:* 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Holiday Inn Old Town Alexandria, Alexandria, VA 22314.

*Contact Person:* Camilla Day, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 6152, MSC 7840, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1037, dayc@drg.nih.gov

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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* June 14-15, 1999.

*Time:* 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Embassy Suites, Chevy Chase Pavilion, 4300 Military Rd., Wisconsin at Western Ave., Washington, DC 20015.

*Contact Person:* Anita Miller Sostek, PHD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3176, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-0910.

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*Dated:* June 2, 1999.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Committee Management Officer, NIH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

### Changing the Conversation—A National Plan To Improve Substance Abuse Treatment: Call for Public Comment

**AGENCY:** Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, DHHS.

**ACTION:** Request for public comment on five issues (domains) of concern to the substance abuse treatment field when assessing substance abuse treatment.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces that the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) is formally inviting public comment on five issues (domains) that are of concern to the substance abuse treatment field and require development and exploration. Via several mechanisms, including public hearings, CSAT intends that findings from the exploration of individual domains will ultimately be synthesized into a coherent national strategy to guide substance abuse treatment program and policy development for the future. Individuals and organizations are encouraged to comment in one of several ways: (1) in writing, by submission through the U.S. Mail or courier service; (2) via the National Treatment Plan web site (<http://www.natxplan.org>); or (3) in person at one of the four public hearings scheduled at locations across the country. The final cutoff date for comments is December 1, 1999. This notice discusses the public hearings at which interested individuals/organizations may testify regarding the five substance abuse treatment domains discussed below.

**DATES/LOCATIONS:** CSAT plans to conduct four public hearings in 1999—July in Hartford, Connecticut; September in Chicago, Illinois; October in Portland, Oregon; and November in Tampa/St. Petersburg, Florida. The first hearing will be held at the Connecticut State Capitol, Legislative Office Building, 300 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut, 06106, on July 8, 1999, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. EDT. Specific details regarding subsequent hearings will be published in the **Federal Register** approximately one month prior to each hearing.

Requests to testify at the Hartford, Connecticut, public hearing must be submitted to one of the addressees indicated below by July 1, 1999. Seating is limited. In the event that interpretive services for the hearing-impaired are required, please indicate these special needs to either of the addressees.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information regarding the hearing and/or testimonies, as well as requests to testify must be addressed to:

Peggy Cockrill,

[Tele: (301) 443-7024; e-mail: [pcockrill@samhsa.gov](mailto:pcockrill@samhsa.gov); Fax: (301) 480-6077]

or

Ann Mahony, [Tele: (301) 443-7924; E-mail: [amahony@samhsa.gov](mailto:amahony@samhsa.gov); Fax: (301) 480-6077], c/o TASCAN 1803 Research Boulevard, Suite 305, Rockville, Maryland 20850

Written comments (without a request to personally testify) will also be accepted by either of the above addressees. Written testimonies are limited to five (5) typed pages using 1.5 line spacing and 12 point font.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background**

Building on recent advances and studies, CSAT has initiated plans to focus on how to apply its extensive knowledge to the practical objective of improving treatment outcomes. The plans include synthesizing current knowledge and recommendations about treatment, service systems, application of best practices, diffusion methods, and organization and financing of substance abuse treatment services. Federal Government and outside experts, as well as the interested public, will explore the current state of the knowledge, resources, needs, and service and organizational capacity. The objective is the culling of priorities for action by the government and by others in the substance abuse treatment field. As noted above, CSAT is inviting the public to comment on five domains as part of the initial step of the plan. The domains, as well as some initial questions for exploration, include:

(1) Closing the Treatment Gap: Where are the gaps? How big are they for different populations? For different types of settings and treatment modalities? How big are gaps in other related systems of care, e.g., welfare, child welfare, housing? What are the policy, organization, and financing issues that must be addressed in the private and public systems, including Medicaid and Medicare, to close the treatment gap?

(2) Reducing Stigma and Changing Attitudes: What are the nature, causes and consequences of addiction stigma? What can CSAT, the treatment field, consumers and families do to address stigma related to addiction, substance abuse treatment and individuals with substance abuse disorders? How do other stigmas impact/compound the stigma of addiction?

(3) Improving and Strengthening Treatment Systems: What are the clinical and organizational challenges facing treatment organizations in the

public and private sectors? What can CSAT, the treatment field, consumers and families do to improve and strengthen treatment organizations so that they can adapt to the new imperatives of the changing treatment system, and to improve the relationship between the general health care system and the specialty substance abuse treatment system? What should be done at the State, county and/or local levels to improve and strengthen substance abuse treatment?

(4) Connecting Services and Research: What are the best methods by which CSAT, the treatment field, consumers and families can foster and support evaluation of proven research findings in community-based settings and identification and adoption of best practices?

(5) Addressing Workforce Issues: What are the issues facing clinicians treating addictions? What can CSAT, the treatment field, consumers and families, and professional associations do to foster training, appropriate credentialing, and licensure in all settings in which treatment occurs, and to support treatment organizations in developing appropriate policies for clinical training?

##### **Hearing Format**

The hearings will be divided into five segments (i.e., the five domains described above) of approximately 45–60 minutes each. Each individual/organization participant will be limited to three (3) minutes of oral testimony and five (5) pages of typed testimony per domain. Participants who wish to address more than one domain and find it impossible to be in attendance during the scheduled time frame for other domains they also wish to address will, with CSAT staff concurrence, be allowed to address multiple domains at once. In these instances, the participant must clearly indicate the domain being addressed, and again, will be limited to three (3) minutes of oral testimony and five (5) pages of typed testimony per domain. All oral testimonies must be accompanied by a written testimony of no more than five (5) typed pages using 1.5 line spacing and 12 point font. Written testimonies may either be submitted before the hearing to one of the addressees listed above or to the registrar at the hearing. As the hearing schedule allows, unscheduled testimonies will be accommodated.

All testimonies (recorded and written) will become a part of the public domain.

Dated: June 3, 1999.

**Richard Kopanda,**

*Executive Officer, Substance Abuse and  
Mental Health Services Administration.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

*Applicant:* Warren Parker, Blue Springs, MO, PRT-011656.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of a straight horned markhor (*Capra falconeri jerdoni*) or a Kabul markhor (*C. f. megaceros*) from the Northwest Frontier Province of Pakistan for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

*Applicant:* Zoological Society of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH, PRT-011872.

The applicant requests a permit to import two captive-born Brazilian ocelot (*Leopardus pardalis mitis*) from the Zoologico de Curitiba, Curitiba, Brazil for the purpose of enhancement of the species through captive propagation.

*Applicant:* William H. Crawford, Frederick, OK, PRT-012455.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

The public is invited to comment on the following application for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application was submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR 18).

*Applicant:* Frank R. Daigle, Rogers, MN, PRT-010431.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

*Applicant:* Luis Rivera, San Juan, PR, PRT-843332.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted prior to April 30, 1994 from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

*Applicant:* Peter Bollinger, Sacramento, CA, PRT-012288.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

*Applicant:* Glenn J. Rasmussen, Wapato, WA, PRT-012452

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of the complete application, or requests for a public hearing on this application should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358-2104 or fax 703/358-2281 and must be received within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: June 1, 1999.

**MaryEllen Amtower,**

*Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of  
Management Authority.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Collection of Water Delivery and Electric Service Data for the Operation of Irrigation and Power Projects and Systems: Proposed Collection of Water Delivery and Electric Service Data; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) invites comments on two information collection requests which will be renewed. The two collections are Electrical Service Application, 1076-0021, and Water Request, 1076-0141.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before August 9, 1999, to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Branch of Irrigation, Power, and Safety of Dams, 1849 C Street, NW, Mail Stop 4513-MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Interested persons may obtain copies of the information collection requests without charge by contacting Ross Mooney, 202-208-5480, facsimile number: 202-219-1255, or E-mail: Ross\_Mooney@IOS.DOI.GOV.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 provides an opportunity for interested parties to comment on proposed information collection requests. The Bureau of Indian Affairs, Branch of Irrigation, Power, and Safety of Dams is proceeding with this public comment period as the first step in obtaining a normal information collection clearance from OMB. Each requests contain (1) type of review, (2) title, (3) summary of the collection, (4) respondents, (5) frequency of collection, (6) reporting and record keeping requirements.

#### Water Request

*Type of review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Water Request, 25 CFR 171.

*Summary:* In order for irrigators to receive water deliveries, information is needed by the BIA to operate and maintain its irrigation projects and fulfill reporting requirements. Section 171.7 of 25 CFR part 171, [Irrigation] Operation and Maintenance, specifies the information collection requirement. Water users must apply for water delivery. The information to be