

Type of respondents	Estimated number of respondents	Estimated number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Estimated total annual burden hours requested
Survey of Participant .....	200	1	0.5	100
Total .....	200	.....	.....	100

#### *Request for Comment:*

Written comments and/or suggestions are invited from the public and affected agencies on one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for fulfillment of the Minority and Disability Supplement Grants Program, including whether the information will be useful; (2) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed data collection, including the validity of the methodology; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the data collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including appropriate use of automated collection techniques and information technology.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on the proposed survey and intent to collect data, or to obtain a copy of the design of the collection, contact Judith A. Cooper, Ph.D., Chief, Scientific Programs Branch, NIDCD, NIH, 6120 Executive Blvd., EPS 400-C, MSC 7180, Bethesda, MD 20892, or call non toll-free number (301) 496-5061, or E-mail your request, including your address to: judith\_cooper@nih.gov

#### *Comments Due Date:*

Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received on or before March 27, 2001.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. "Collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 4 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA requires federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning proposed collections of information before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, NIDCD is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information listed below.

The NIDCD Minority and Disability Supplement Program was designed to encourage individuals underrepresented in biomedical and behavioral research in human communication to participate in that research. The individuals participate on currently funded NIDCD grants and receive mentoring from NIDCD Principal Investigators.

Anecdotal feedback indicates that program participants and mentors find the program provides interesting opportunities and encourages individuals to pursue careers in a variety of health fields. However, there is little systematic evidence evaluating the level of the Program's success or failure in accomplishing these goals. The proposed survey will attempt to assess how individuals' participation in the Supplement Program has influenced career and educational choices. This information will provide support for NIDCD's continued participation in the Program.

One survey has been proposed to collect information on the current status of individuals previously supported by an NIDCD Supplement. This survey will obtain the current contact information of the participants and assess the individuals' educational and career achievements, their goals for future education, and current specific field(s) of study/employment.

The survey will be administered via a telephone interview that should take approximately 30 minutes to complete. Respondents who cannot schedule 30 minutes of time or who find telephone conversations difficult will be given the opportunity to respond by alternate means such as mail, fax, and e-mail. All participants from the inception of the program will be included in this survey process. It is anticipated that the total number of participants will not exceed 200.

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**David Kerr,**

*Executive Officer, NIDCD.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

### **National Institutes of Health**

#### **Consensus Development Conference on Diagnosis and Management of Dental Caries Throughout Life**

Notice is hereby given of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Consensus Development Conference on "Diagnosis and Management of Dental Caries Throughout Life," which will be held March 26-28, 2001, in the NIH's Natcher Conference Center, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Maryland, 20892. The conference begins at 8 am on March 26 and 27, and at 9 am on March 28 and is open to the public.

The purpose of the conference is to examine the current state of dental caries detection, management, and prevention so that health care providers and the general public can make informed decisions about this important public health issue.

During the first day-and-a-half of the conference, experts will present the latest research findings on dental caries to an independent, non-Federal consensus development panel. After weighing all of the scientific evidence, the panel will draft a statement that will address the following key questions:

- What are the best methods for detecting early and advanced dental caries [validity and feasibility of traditional methods; validity and feasibility of emerging methods]?
- What are the best indicators for an increased risk of dental caries?
- What are the best methods available for the primary prevention of dental caries initiation throughout life?
- What are the best treatments available for reversing or arresting the progression of early dental caries?
- How should clinical decisions regarding prevention and/or treatment be affected by detection methods and risk assessment?
- What are promising new research directions for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of dental caries?

On the final day of the conference, the panel's draft statement will be read in public, at which time members of the public are invited to offer comments on the draft.

The primary sponsors of this meeting are the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research and the NIH office of Medical Applications of Research. Cosponsors include the National Institute on Aging and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

This is the 115th Consensus Development Conference held by the NIH in the 24-year history of the Consensus Development Program. Advance information about the conference and conference registration materials may be obtained from Prospect Associates of Silver Spring, Maryland by calling (301) 592-3320 or by email to [dentalcaries@prospectassoc.com](mailto:dentalcaries@prospectassoc.com). Prospect Associates' address is 10720 Columbia Pike, Suite 500, Silver Spring, Maryland 20901-4437. A conference agenda and registration information is also available on the NIH Consensus Program Web site at <http://consensus.nih.gov>.

Dated: January 13, 2001.

**Yvonne T. Maddox,**

*Acting Deputy Director, 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 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 Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Special Emphasis Panel.  
*Date:* February 15-16, 2001.

*Time:* 7 p.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

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

*Contact Person:* Roy L. White, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Review Branch, NIH, NHLBI, Rockledge Building II,

6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 7196, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-0291.

(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 Institute of Nursing Research; 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 Institute of Nursing Research Initial Review Group.

*Date:* February 15-16, 2001.

*Time:* 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

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

*Contact Person:* Mary J. Stephens-Frazier, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, National Institute of Nursing Research, National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, Room 3AN32, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594-5971.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute of Nursing Research; 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 constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute of Nursing Research Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* February 22-23, 2001.

*Time:* 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Doubletree Hotel, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Contact Person:* Mary J. Stephens-Frazier, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, National Institute of Nursing Research, National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, Room 3AN32, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594-5971.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Disease; 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 National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council.

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