

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; SEP-2: NCI Clinical and Translational R21 and Omnibus R03.

Date: January 30–31, 2020.

Time: 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Ombretta Salvucci, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Special Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W264, Rockville, MD 20850, 240–276–7286, salvucco@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; TEP-4: Cloud-Based Software for the Cancer Research Data Common.

Date: February 6, 2020.

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: National Cancer Institute Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W246, Rockville, MD 20850 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Jun Fang, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Research Technology & Contract Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W246, Rockville, MD 20850, (240) 276–5460, jfang@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Initial Review Group; Subcommittee F—Institutional Training and Education.

Date: February 24–25, 2020.

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Bethesda Marriott Suites, 6711 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20817.

Contact Person: Adriana Stoica, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Resources and Training Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, 7W234, Bethesda, MD 20892–9750, 240–276–6368, Stoica2@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; Innovative Molecular and Cellular Analysis Technologies.

Date: March 4–5, 2020.

Time: 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center, Montgomery County Conference Center Facility, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Jun Fang, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Research Technology & Contract Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W246, Rockville, MD 20850, (240) 276–5460, jfang@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; Participant Engagement and Cancer Genome Sequencing Centers.

Date: March 17–18, 2020.

Time: 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center, Montgomery County Conference Center Facility, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Shakeel Ahmad, Ph.D., Chief, Research Technology and Contract Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W102, Rockville, MD 20850, 240–276–6442, ahmads@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; SEP-5: NCI Clinical and Translational R21 and Omnibus R03 Review Meeting.

Date: March 26, 2020.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center, Montgomery County Conference Center Facility, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Adriana Stoica, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Resources and Training Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, 7W234, Bethesda, MD 20892–9750, 240–276–6368, Stoica2@mail.nih.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Request for Information on “Update on Selected Topics in Asthma Management 2020: A Report From the National Asthma Education and Prevention Program Coordinating Committee (NAEPCC) Expert Panel Report 4 (EPR-4) Working Group”

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, HHS.

ACTION: Request for Information.

SUMMARY: The Expert Panel Working Group of the NHLBI National Asthma Education and Prevention Program Coordinating Committee (NAEPCC) is

soliciting comments and suggestions from the public on “Update on Selected Topics in Asthma Management 2020: A Report from the Expert Panel Report-4 (EPR-4) Working Group.” This Request for Information (RFI) invites the scientific community, health professionals, organizations, patient communities, and the general public to provide comments and suggestions, including particular emphasis on the feasibility, acceptability, and capacity for implementation, of the proposed recommendations and implementation guidance. Responses to this RFI will be used to update and revise the report as necessary.

DATES: The NHLBI NAEPPCC RFI is open for public comment for a period of 35 days. Comments must be received by January 6, 2020 to ensure consideration. After the public comment period has closed, the comments received will be considered in a timely manner by the NHLBI NAEPPCC Expert Panel Working Group.

ADDRESSES: Submissions may be submitted electronically to [<https://www.epr4workgroup.org/Asthma2020Guidelines>] or by mail to [Asthma2020Guidelines@westat.com].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions about this request for information should be directed to Susan T. Shero, RN, MS, Executive Secretary, NAEPPCC, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Blvd., Rm. 9182, Bethesda, MD 20892, Asthma2020Guidelines@westat.com, 301–496–1051.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The NHLBI NAEPPCC

In August 2015, the National Asthma Education and Prevention Program Coordinating Committee (NAEPCC) was chartered as a federal advisory committee in accordance with 424B of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 285b–7b, as amended. The committee is governed by the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C App.), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees. The NAEPPCC fulfills the charges of 424B of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 285b–7b, as amended:

- Identify all Federal programs that carry out asthma-related activities.
- Develop, in consultation with appropriate federal agencies and professional and voluntary health organizations, a Federal plan for responding to asthma.

The NAEPPCC also fulfills charges, similar to those above, set forth in the Children's Health Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106–310). In addition, the Children's Health Act of 2000 tasks the NHLBI, through the NAEPPCC, with submitting recommendations to Congress on ways to strengthen and improve coordination of asthma-related activities of the federal government.

The NAEPPCC consists of representatives from the major scientific, professional, governmental, and voluntary organizations interested in asthma. The Committee's primary mission is to advise the NHLBI on matters concerning asthma and to facilitate the exchange of information on asthma activities among the member agencies and voluntary health organizations.

The NHLBI administers and coordinates the Coordinating Committee. The Coordinating Committee meetings are open to the public and include presentations and discussion on a variety of topics concerning asthma, including activities and projects of the Committee.

NHLBI Asthma Guidelines

NHLBI produced its first asthma clinical practice guidelines in 1991 and an update was issued in 2007, Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma (EPR–3). In 2011, the National Asthma Education and Prevention Program concluded another update was needed and an Advisory Council of the NHLBI determined in 2012 that a needs assessment should be conducted prior to engaging in any guideline activity. In 2014, NHLBI Council convened an Asthma Expert Panel Working Group to conduct a needs assessment. The Working Group recommended that an update should be made to the 2007 clinical practice guidelines; identified five priority topics for immediate systematic review and update (subsequently changed to six priority topics); and recommended that the NHLBI maintain the NAEPP structure, coordinate the systematic reviews, and update the report. After public comments on the draft needs assessment report were received and reviewed, the Working Group recommended adding a sixth priority topic to the report.

The six priority topic areas identified by the Working Group are: (1) Adjustable medication dosing in recurrent wheezing and asthma (“intermittent therapy”), (2) long acting anti-muscarinic agents in asthma management as add-on to inhaled corticosteroids, (3) bronchial thermoplasty in adult severe asthma, (4)

fractional exhaled nitric oxide (FeNO) in diagnosis, medication selection, and monitoring treatment response, (5) remediation of indoor allergens (house dust mites/pets), and (6) the role of immunotherapy in the treatment of asthma.

The Working Group also recommended that several emerging topic areas be acknowledged and monitored, but did not yet merit systematic review.

NAEPPCC Expert Panel Report 4 (EPR–4) Working Group

The NAEPPCC Expert Panel Working Group 4 (EPR–4) was established in 2018 to update selected topics in the 2007 Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma, Expert Panel Report 3 (EPR–3). The Expert Panel Working Group members used findings from the following NHLBI-supported systematic reviews to develop updates to the 2007 guidelines.

- Role of Immunotherapy in the Treatment of Asthma
- Intermittent Inhaled Corticosteroids and Long-Acting Muscarinic Antagonist for Asthma
- Effectiveness of Indoor Allergen Reduction in Management of Asthma
- Effectiveness and Safety of Bronchial Thermoplasty in Management of Asthma
- The Clinical Utility of Fractional Exhaled Nitric Oxide (FeNO) in Asthma Management

The Expert Panel Working Group members include asthma content experts, specialists and primary care clinicians, health policy experts, implementation and dissemination experts and individuals with experience using the GRADE (Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation) approach. A methodologist provided technical support to the Working Group.

This RFI should not be construed as a solicitation for applications or proposals, or as an obligation in any way on the part of the United States Federal government. The Federal government will not pay for the preparation of any information submitted or for the government's use. Additionally, the government cannot guarantee the confidentiality of the information provided.

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James P. Kiley,
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 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 Center for Advancing Translational Sciences Special Emphasis Panel—SBIR.

Date: December 18, 2019.

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, One Democracy Plaza, 6701 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Jing Chen, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Office of Scientific Review, National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS), National Institutes of Health, 6701 Democracy Blvd., Democracy 1, Room 1080, Bethesda, MD 20892–4874, chenjing@mail.nih.gov.

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