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(Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 217(a)) and section 10(a) of Public Law 92-463 (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a) and 41 CFR 102-3)
(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance Program; and Program No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: September 28, 2001.

Thomas A. Scully,

Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Graduate Student Training Programs Application

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of

the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Graduate Partnerships Program/OIR/OD, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval.

Proposed Collection

Title: Graduate Student Training Programs Application. **Type of Information Collection Request:** New. **Need and Use of Information Collection:** The information gathered in the Graduate Student Training Programs application will enable the identification and evaluation of graduate students interested in performing their dissertation research in the NIH Intramural Research Program laboratories (NIH IRP). Modeling university applications for admission into graduate programs, the Graduate Student Training Program application contains several sections that will aid the NIH admission committee's identification and evaluation of each graduate student. Specific areas required to evaluate a candidate include the following: Contact information,

citizenship status, identification of programs to which the student wishes to apply, students' graduate university information and undergraduate university information, standardized examination scores, references and letters of recommendation, proposed NIH advisor information, University advisor information, research interests, career goals, and proposed research in NIH IRP. Ethnicity and gender are additional optional information used to evaluate the GPP recruiting abilities and compliance with federal regulation. **Frequency of Response:** Once. **Affected Public:** Individuals. **Type of Respondents:** Students pursuing an advanced degree, Ph.D., and would like to perform their dissertation research in the NIH Intramural Research Program laboratories.

The annual reporting burden is displayed in the following table:

ESTIMATES OF HOUR BURDEN

Type of respondents	Estimated number of respondents	Estimated number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Estimated total annual burden hours requested
Student Application to Current Graduate Student Program	250	1	0.50	125
Student Application to Future Graduate Student Programs	500	1	0.50	250
Recommendations (750x3)	2250	1	0.25	563
Totals	3000			938

Estimate of Capital Costs, Operating Costs, and/or Maintenance Costs are displayed in the following table:

Annualized capital, start-up cost	Amount	Operational/maintenance and purchase components	Amount
Information Collection	\$0.00	Trouble-shooting and monitoring fees	#2000.00
Application Design, Development, Testing	12,000.00	Maintenance	1000.00
Total	\$12,000.00	Total	\$3,000.00

Estimate of Other Total Annual Cost Burden: \$15,000.00.

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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, contact: Dr. Patty McCarthy, Program Coordinator, Graduate Partnerships Program,

National Institutes of Health, 10 Center Drive, Building 10/Room 1C129, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-1153, or call 301-594-9603 or e-mail your request, including your address to: mccarthy@od.nih.gov.

Comments Due Date

Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 60 days of the date of this publication.

Dated: September 24, 2001.

Michael M. Gottesman,

Deputy Director of Intramural Research, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Director's Council of Public Representatives.

The meeting will be open to the public, 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.

Name of Committee: Director's Council of Public Representatives.

Date: October 23, 2001.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: Among the topics proposed for discussion are: (1) The science underlying complementary and alternative medicine; (2) human research protections; (3) technology transfer activities at the NIH: current issues; and (4) staff reports on NIH stem cell research activity.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Building 31, C Wing, Conf. Rm. 6, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Jennifer E. Gorman, NIH Public Liaison/COPR Coordinator, Office of Communications and Public Liaison, Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Building 1, Room 344, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-4448, gormanj@od.nih.gov.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: www.nih.gov/about/publicliaison/index.html, where an agenda and any

additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Nos. 93.14, Intramural Research Training Award; 93.187, Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds; 93.22, Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds; 93.232, Loan Repayment Program for Research Generally; 93.39, Academic Research Enhancement Award; 93.936, NIH Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Loan Repayment Program, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: September 26, 2001.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Director's Council of Public Representatives.

The meeting will be open to the public, 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.

Name of Committee: Director's Council of Public Representatives.

Date: October 2, 2001.

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: To discuss and make recommendations of the draft Human Research Protections Report and Executive Summary.

Place: Conference Call Toll Free Number: 877-901-9810, Passcode: 769101, you will hear music until the call is activated. (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Jennifer E. Gorman, NIH Public Liaison/Copr Coordinator, Office of Communications and Public Liaison, Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Building 1, Room 344, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-4448, gormanj@od.nih.gov.

This notice is being published less than 15 days in advance of the meeting due to scheduling conflicts among the members. Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: www.nih.gov/about/publicliaison/index.html, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.14, Intramural Research Training Award; 93.187, Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds; 93.22, Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds; 93.232, Loan Repayment Program for Research Generally; 93.39, Academic Research Enhancement Award; 93.936, NIH Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Loan Repayment Program, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: September 27, 2001.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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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, Cancer Prognosis & Prediction: Phase Application Awards and SBIR/STTR Initiative.

Date: October 29, 2001.

Time: 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: 6130 Executive Boulevard, Room G, Rockville, MD 20852 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Lalita D. Palekar, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Special Review, Referral and Resources Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, 6116 Executive Boulevard, Room 8105, Bethesda, MD 20892-7405, (301) 496-7575.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.