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Elizabeth M. Duke,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of Inspector General

Draft OIG Compliance Program Guidance for Recipients of PHS Research Awards—Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Office of Inspector General (OIG), HHS.

ACTION: Notice and comment period; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On November 28, 2005, we published a notice and comment period seeking comments from interested parties on draft compliance program guidance (CPG) developed by the Office of Inspector General (OIG) for recipients of extramural research awards from the National Institutes of Health and other agencies of the U.S. Public Health Service (PHS) (70 FR 71312). To facilitate public comment, we are extending the comment period.

DATES: To assure consideration, public comments must be delivered to the address provided below by no later than 5 p.m. on January 30, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Please mail or deliver written comments to the following address: Office of Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: OIG-1026-CPG, Room 5246, Cohen Building, 330 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, 20201.

We do not accept comments by facsimile (FAX) transmissions. In commenting, please refer to file code OIG-1026-CPG.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joel Schaer, Office of External Affairs, (202) 619-0089.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Through the draft CPG notice, OIG is setting forth its general views on the value and fundamental principles of compliance programs for colleges and universities and other recipients of PHS awards for biomedical and behavioral research and the specific elements that these award recipients should consider when developing and implementing an effective compliance program. As with OIG's earlier CPGs, the purpose of the draft guidance is to encourage the use of internal controls to effectively monitor adherence to applicable statutes, regulations, and program requirements.

To ensure full and complete public comment from affected outside research institutions and associations, we are extending the public comment period for this notice until January 30, 2006.

Dated: December 5, 2005.

Joel Schaer,
Regulations Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Notice of Establishment

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), the Director, National Institutes of Health (NIH), announces the establishment of the Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Biotechnology Information, National Library of Medicine (Board).

The Board shall advise the Director, NIH; the Deputy Director for Intramural Research, NIH; the Director, National Library of Medicine (NLM); and the Director, National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI), concerning the intramural research and development programs of the NCBI, NLM through regularly scheduled visits to the NLM for assessment of the research and development programs in progress at the NCBI, assessments of proposed programs and evaluation of the productivity and performance of staff scientists.

The Board shall consist of 8 members, including the Chair, appointed by the Director, NIH, from authorities knowledgeable in the fields of health sciences, computer sciences, information sciences, information technology, library science, behavioral sciences, social sciences, educational technology, communications engineering, molecular biology, biochemistry, genetics, structural chemistry, mathematics, statistics, and multi-media development and utilization.

Duration of this committee is continuing unless formally determined by the Director, NIH that termination would be in the best public interest.

Dated: November 29, 2005.

Elias Zerhouni,

Director, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Center for Research Resources; 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 Advisory Research Resources 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 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 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/or contact proposals 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 and/or contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Research Resources Council.

Date: January 19, 2006.

Open: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: NCCR Director's report and other business of the Council.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Louise E. Ramm, PhD, Deputy Director, National Center for Research Resources, National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Room 3B11, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-496-6023.

Any member of the public interested in presenting oral comments to the committee may notify the Contact Person listed on this notice at least 10 days in advance of the meeting. Interested individuals and representatives of organizations may submit a letter of intent, a brief description of the organization represented, and a short description of the oral presentation. Only one representative of an organization may be allowed to present oral comments and if accepted by the committee, presentations may be limited to five minutes. Both printed and electronic copies are requested for the