

STAC members will be selected upon the basis of their relevant experience and competence in their respective categorical fields. The information received through this nomination process, in addition to other relevant sources of information, will assist the WTC Program Administrator in appointing members to serve on the STAC. In selecting members, the WTC Program Administrator will consider individuals nominated in response to this **Federal Register** notice as well as other qualified individuals.

The CDC is committed to bringing greater diversity of thought, perspective and experience to its advisory committees. Nominees from all races, genders, ages, and persons living with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Nominees must be U.S. citizens.

Candidates invited to serve will be asked to submit the "Confidential Financial Disclosure Report," OGE Form 450. This form is used by CDC to determine whether there is a financial conflict between that person's private interests and activities and their public responsibilities as a Special Government Employee as well as any appearance of a loss of impartiality, as defined by Federal regulation. The form may be viewed and downloaded at <http://www.oge.gov/Forms-Library/OGE-Form-450-Confidential-Financial-Disclosure-Report/>. This form should not be submitted as part of a nomination.

Submissions must be electronic or by mail. Submissions should reference docket #229-A. Electronic submissions: You may electronically submit nominations, including attachments, to nioshdocket@cdc.gov. Attachments in Microsoft Word are preferred. Regular, Express, or Overnight Mail: Written nominations may be submitted (one original and two copies) to the following address only: NIOSH Docket 229-A c/o Zaida Burgos, Committee Management Specialist, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., M/S E-20, Atlanta, Georgia 30333. Telephone and facsimile submissions cannot be accepted. For further information contact: Paul Middendorf, Senior Health Scientist, 1600 Clifton Rd. NE., MS: E-20, Atlanta, GA 30239; telephone (404)498-2500 (this is not a toll-free number); email pmiddendorf@cdc.gov.

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Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Request for Nominations of Candidates To Serve on the Board of Scientific Counselors, Office of the Public Health Preparedness and Response, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services

The CDC is soliciting nominations for possible membership on the Board of Scientific Counselors, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response (BSC, OPHPR).

CDC provides technical assistance and resources to state and local public health agencies to support their efforts to build prepared and resilient communities. CDC provides subject-matter expertise and assistance for domestic and global surveillance, laboratory, occupational health and epidemiology functions, and health threats including anthrax, smallpox, influenza and other infectious diseases, food-borne illness, and radiation, among others. OPHPR leads the agency's preparedness and response activities by providing strategic direction, support, and coordination for activities across CDC as well as with local, state, tribal, national, territorial, and international public health partners.

The BSC (<http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/science/counselors.htm>) provides advice and guidance to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Director, CDC, and the Director, OPHPR, concerning strategies and goals for the programs within OPHPR's divisions; conducts peer-review of scientific programs; and monitors the overall strategic direction and focus of the divisions. The BSC, OPHPR may perform second-level peer review of applications for grants-in-aid for research and research training activities, cooperative agreements, and research contract proposals relating to the broad areas within the office.

Nominations are being sought for individuals who have expertise and qualifications necessary to contribute to the accomplishments of the OPHPR's

objectives (<http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/>). Nominees will be selected based upon expertise in fields relevant to the issues addressed by divisions within the coordinating office, including emergency preparedness and response; medicine, epidemiology, laboratory science, informatics, behavioral science, social science, engineering, business, and crisis leadership. Whenever possible, nominees should be acknowledged experts in their fields whose credibility is beyond question. All nominees should have demonstrated skills in critical evaluation of data and communication skills necessary to promote efficient and effective deliberations.

Federal employees will not be considered for membership. Members may be invited to serve up to four-year terms. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services policy stipulates that committee membership be balanced in terms of professional training and background, points of view represented, and the board's function. Consideration is given to a broad representation of geographic areas within the U.S., with equitable representation of gender, ethnic and racial minorities, and persons with disabilities. Nominees must be U.S. citizens.

The following information must be submitted for each candidate: Name, affiliation, address, telephone number, and current curriculum vitae. Email addresses are requested if available.

Nominations should be sent by November 15, 2013 to: CDR Christye Brown, BSC Coordinator, Office of Science and Public Health Practice, Office of Preparedness and Emergency Response, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, via email to ophpr.bsc.questions@cdc.gov. Telephone and facsimile submissions cannot be accepted.

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