SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 2101 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300aa–1), the Secretary of Health and Human Services was mandated to establish the National Vaccine Program to achieve optimal prevention of human infectious diseases through immunization and to achieve optimal prevention against adverse reactions to vaccines. The NVAC was established to provide advice and make recommendations to the Director of the National Vaccine Program on matters related to the Program’s responsibilities. The Assistant Secretary for Health serves as Director of the National Vaccine Program. During the February 2018 NVAC meeting, sessions will consist of presentations on vaccine innovation, including the current status of adjuvants in vaccines, universal influenza, and an overview on the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services’ Report to Congress on Vaccine Innovation in response to the 21st Century Cures Act; a report on the recently approved Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria Report, “Incentivizing the Development of Vaccines, Therapeutics, and Diagnostics to Combat Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria”; disparities in adult immunizations; and an update on strategies to support improving coverage for human papillomavirus vaccine.

Please note that agenda items will be related to the charge of the Committee and are subject to change as priorities dictate. Information on the final meeting agenda will be posted prior to the meeting on the NVAC website: http://www.hhs.gov/nvpo/nvac/index.html. Public attendance at the meeting is limited to the available space. Individuals who plan to attend in person and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

Name of Committee: Task Force on Research Specific to Pregnant Women and Lactating Women.

Date: February 26–27, 2018.

Time: February 26, 2018, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; February 27, 2018, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Agenda: The Task Force is charged with providing advice and guidance to the Secretary of HHS, regarding Federal activities related to identifying and addressing gaps in knowledge and research regarding safe and effective therapies for pregnant women and lactating women, including the development of such therapies and the collaboration on and coordination of such activities.

February 26th, 2018—Day 1

8:30 a.m.—Welcome and Opening Remarks
8:40 a.m.—Introductions
8:45 a.m.—Summary and Discussion of work products from meetings 1 and 2
10:45 a.m.—Follow-up on Task Force Request regarding Lessons learned from Pediatrics
1:15 p.m.—Effective communication strategies with health care providers on information relevant to pregnant women and lactating women

February 27th, 2018—Day 2

8:00 a.m.—Recap from Day 1, Outline & Goals of Day 2
8:15 a.m.—Panel and open discussion to cover specific questions on the options for a plan or plans to identify and address gaps in knowledge and research regarding safe and effective therapies for pregnant women and lactating women, including the development of such therapies.
12:45 p.m.—Discussion of Key Points related to topic: Effective communication strategies with health care providers and the public on information relevant to pregnant women and lactating women
1:30 p.m.—Discussion of Key Points related to topic: A plan to identify and address gaps in knowledge and research regarding safe and effective therapies for pregnant women and lactating women, including the development of such therapies
2:15 p.m.—Review of Recommendations from TF1–3
2:45 p.m.—Action Items, Charge to Group
3:00 p.m.—Adjournment

Place: 6710B Rockledge Drive, Room 1425/1427 (1st Floor), Bethesda, MD 20817.

Contact Person: Ms. Lisa Kaeser, Executive Secretary, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, 31 Center Drive, Room 2A03, MSC 2425, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496–0536, kaeser@mail.nih.gov.

Public comments are welcome either by filing written comments and/or providing oral comments at the meeting. Oral comments from the public will be scheduled on February 26, 2018, from approximately 10:00 a.m.—10:45 a.m. Any member of the public interested in presenting oral comments on February 26, 2018, should submit a letter of intent, a brief description of the organization represented, and the oral presentation to Ms. Kaeser (kaeser@mail.nih.gov) by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 19, 2018.
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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Epilepsy: Molecular Mechanisms

Date: January 24, 2018.
Time: 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.
Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Suzan Nadi, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5217B, MSC 7846, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–435–1259, nadis@csr.nih.gov.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.


Dated: January 17, 2018.

David Clary,
Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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Name of Committee: Oncology 2—Translational Clinical Integrated Review Group; Radiation Therapeutics and Biology Study Section

Date: February 12–13, 2018.
Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.
Place: Embassy Suites at the Chevy Chase Pavilion, 4300 Military Road NW, Washington, DC 20015.

Contact Person: Bo Hong, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 6194, MSC 7804, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–996–6208, hongb@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; RFA–RM–17–030: Novel and Innovative Tools to Facilitate Identification, Tracking, Manipulation, and Analysis of Glycans and their Functions

Date: February 15, 2018.

Contact Person: Methode Bacanamwo, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 2200, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–827–7088, methode.bacanamwo@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; PAR Panel: Screenable Disorders: Therapeutics, Tools and Natural History

Date: February 15, 2018.
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.
Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

Contact Person: Methode Bacanamwo, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 2200, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–827–7088, methode.bacanamwo@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Cardiovascular Disorders

Date: February 16, 2018.
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.
Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

Contact Person: Luis Espinoza, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).