



*Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute  
of Child Health and Human Development

NATIONAL ADVISORY CHILD HEALTH  
AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT  
COUNCIL

*MINUTES OF MEETING*

August 27, 2015

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE  
EUNICE KENNEDY SHRIVER NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH AND  
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT  
NATIONAL ADVISORY CHILD HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL  
SUMMARY MINUTES  
August 27, 2015<sup>1</sup>**

The National Advisory Child Health and Human Development (NACHHD) Council convened its 157th meeting at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 27, 2015, in 6100 Building, Fifth Floor Conference Room, National Institutes of Health (NIH), Bethesda, Maryland. As provided in Sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C., and Section 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, for the review, discussion, and evaluation of grant applications and related information, the meeting was closed to the public from 10:00 a.m. until 12:05 p.m.

Dr. Alan Guttmacher, Chair, NACHHD Council, and Director, *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), presided.

**Council members present via teleconference:**

Dr. Anne Case	Dr. Ruth Lehmann
Ms. Barbara Collura	Dr. Ken Muneoka
Dr. Bonnie Duran	Dr. Stephen Petrill
Dr. Patricia Flynn	Dr. Piero Rinaldo
Dr. Melissa Gilliam	Dr. Frederick Rivara
Dr. Gregory Kopf	Dr. George Saade
Ms. Wendy Lazarus	Dr. Paul Wise
	Ms. Sheila Zimet
	Dr. Richard Shields, NABMRR Council Liaison Member

**Council member absent:**

Dr. Walter Frontera

Council Roster (attached)

**Ex officio member present:**

Dr. Patricia Dorn, Department of Veterans  
Affairs

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<sup>1</sup> Members absent themselves from the meeting when the Council discusses applications from their own institutions or when a conflict of interest might occur. The procedure applies only to individual applications discussed, not to *en bloc* actions.

**Ex officio member absent:**

Dr. Aaron Lopata, Health Resources and  
Services Administration

**Others present:**

Members of Staff, NICHD  
Members of Staff, NIH

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

NICHD Director Dr. Alan E. Guttmacher welcomed Council members and staff and called the 157<sup>th</sup> meeting of the National Advisory Child Health and Human Development Council (NACHHD Council) to order at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held via teleconference for members.

**II. REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIALITY AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Dr. Caroline Signore, Acting Director, Division of Extramural Research, stated that under Public law 92-463, the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the entire meeting was closed to the public for the consideration of grant applications. A notice of this meeting was published in the Federal Register indicating that it would not be open to the public. Dr. Signore reminded Council members that material furnished for review and discussion of grant applications is considered privileged information. Advisors and consultants serving as members of a public health advisory committee may not participate in situations in which any violation of conflict of interest laws and regulations might occur. The responsible staff ensures that a Council member does not perform duties or render advice that might have a direct and predictable effect on the interests of an organization or institution in which he or she has a financial interest. In particular, Council members should not participate in the evaluation of grant applications for federal support that will affect the interests of such organizations or institutions. Dr. Signore reminded Council members that at the end of the closed session of the meeting, all members are required to certify that they had not been involved in any conflict of interest situations during the review of grant applications and that they are to sign and return via e-mail their individual COI Certification Forms that were previously e-mailed to them.

**III. REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS**

A total of 205 applications were initially assigned to the NICHD for August Council. Council reviewed 116 competitive applications, requesting \$92,020,773 in total costs. Council favorably recommended 50 new or renewal grant applications with a staff recommended total cost of \$18,265,731 in NICHD funding.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm on Thursday, August 27, 2015. The next meeting is scheduled for September 17-18, 2015.

Attachment: Council Roster

/Alan E. Guttmacher/

Alan E. Guttmacher, M.D.  
Chair, National Advisory Child Health and  
Human Development Council  
Director, *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National  
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Development

9/14/15  
Date