

facilitate planning for the meeting, persons interested in providing formal oral comments are asked to notify Dr. Barbara Shane, NTP Executive Secretary, NIEHS, P.O. Box 12233, MD A3-01, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709; telephone: 919-541-0530; and e-mail: shane@niehs.nih.gov by October 18, 2004. Persons may also submit written comments *in lieu* of making oral comments. Written comments should be sent to the NTP Executive Secretary and must be received by October 18, 2004, to enable review by the NTP Board and NTP staff prior to the meeting.

Persons submitting written comments should include their name, affiliation, mailing address, phone, fax, e-mail, and sponsoring organization (if any) with the document. Individuals will also be able to register to give oral public comments on-site at the meeting. However, if registering on-site and reading from written text, please bring 30 copies of the statement for distribution to the NTP Board and NTP staff and to supplement the record.

Registration

The NTP Board meeting is open to the public. Due to changes in security policies at the NIEHS, individuals who plan to attend are asked to pre-register with the NTP Executive Secretary (contact information above). The names of those registered will be given to the NIEHS Security Office in order to gain access to the campus. Persons attending who have not pre-registered may be asked to provide pertinent information about the meeting such as the title or host of the meeting before gaining access to the campus. All visitors (whether or not you are pre-registered) will need to be prepared to show 2 forms of identification (ID), for example, a driver's license and one other form of ID, such as company ID, government ID, or university ID.

NTP Board of Scientific Counselors

The NTP Board is a technical advisory body comprised of scientists from the public and private sectors who provide primary scientific oversight to the overall program and its centers. Specifically, the NTP Board advises the NTP on matters of scientific program content, both present and future, and conducts periodic review of the program for the purposes of determining and advising on the scientific merit of its activities and their overall scientific quality. Its members are selected from recognized authorities knowledgeable in fields, such as toxicology, pharmacology, pathology, biochemistry, epidemiology, risk assessment, carcinogenesis, mutagenesis, molecular

biology, behavioral toxicology and neurotoxicology, immunotoxicology, reproductive toxicology or teratology, and biostatistics. The NTP strives for equitable geographic distribution and minority and female representation on the NTP Board. Its members are invited to serve overlapping terms of up to four years and meetings are held once or twice annually for the NTP Board and its two standing subcommittees (the Report on Carcinogens Subcommittee and the Technical Reports Review Subcommittee).

Dated: September 15, 2004.

Samuel Wilson,

Deputy Director, National Toxicology Program.

Preliminary Agenda

*National Toxicology Program (NTP)
Board of Scientific Counselors*

October 26, 2004

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, Rodbell Auditorium, Rall Building, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC.

8:30 a.m. Welcome and Opening Comments.

NTP Update.

NTP Initiatives to Enhance

Toxicology.

Concept Review.

- Evaluation of Chemicals for Their Potential to Modulate Immune Responses.
- Chemical Characterization of Substances for Testing in NTP Studies.
- Application of Automated Techniques to Toxicity Testing.

12 p.m. Lunch.

12:45 p.m. NTP Testing Program.

- Study Nominations.
- New Approaches to Statistical Analyses for 2-year Toxicology and Carcinogenicity Studies.
- Center for the Evaluation of Risks to Human Reproduction—Proposed Process for Evaluating Chemicals with Limited Data Sets.
- Research Program on *Caenorhabditis elegans*.

4:45 p.m. Adjourn.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention; Notice

Pursuant to Pub. L. 92-463, notice is given of the meeting of the Substance

Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Drug Testing Advisory Board (DTAB) that was held on September 14 and 15, 2004, at the Residence Inn by Marriott, 7335 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

A summary of the meeting is as follows. The Board met in an open session on September 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. The open session included a Department of Health and Human Services drug testing program update, a presentation on the comments submitted on the proposed revisions to the "Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing" published in the **Federal Register** on April 13, 2004 (69 FR 19673-19732), and a Department of Transportation drug testing program update.

The Board met in closed sessions on September 14 from 11:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on September 15 from 8:30 a.m. to noon to review and discuss the public comments submitted regarding the Revised Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs (69 FR 19644, April 13, 2004) and the Notice of Proposed Revisions to the Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Program (69 FR 19673, April 13, 2004). This meeting was conducted in closed sessions since discussing preliminary information on the Guidelines in open session would significantly frustrate the Department's ability to develop the Final Notice of Revisions to the Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs, which must include the policies and procedures that will assure accurate and reliable specimen validity testing as well as drug testing using alternative specimens and when using on-site drug tests.

A roster of the board members may be obtained from: Mrs. Giselle Hersh, Division of Workplace Programs, 1 Choke Cherry Road, Room 2-1035, Rockville, MD 20857, 240-276-2600 (voice). To ensure that all interested parties receive information presented at the DTAB meeting, the transcript of the open session will be available on the following Web site <http://workplace.samhsa.gov> as soon as possible after the meeting.

Dated: September 20, 2004.

Toian Vaughn, Committee Management Officer, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

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