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## CSR Names Dr. Joyce Gibson New Director of Division of Translational and Clinical Sciences



The NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSR) named Dr. Joy Gibson the director of the <u>Division of Translational and Clinical Sciences</u>. She had been acting director of that division for several months.

"Dr. Gibson has been an integral part of our CSR team. Her impressive career has prepared her to continue to contribute in ever more vital ways," says CSR Director Toni Scarpa. "We conducted a national search and drew an exceptional group of candidates. Joy's service to CSR distinguished her as the best candidate. I am excited to see her in her new role."

The Division of Translational and Clinical Sciences coordinates the reviews of NIH grant applications for a spectrum of clinical and basic research areas, with the

common goal of applying scientific discoveries to the treatment of clinical disorders. The specific areas covered by her division's review groups include cardiovascular and respiratory science, blood disorders, oncology and surgery and bioengineering. This division has five review groups and 34 study sections, with one assigned scientific review officer per section.

CSR recently realigned like-science Integrated Review Groups within five divisions to better reflect the science represented; it created one new division, and renamed the other four. Dr. Gibson now heads one of the four re-titled divisions.

In her previous role at CSR, Dr. Gibson was chief of the Cardiovascular Sciences and Hematology Integrated Review Groups. She oversaw numerous regular study sections for cardiovascular sciences and hematology, two small business panels and two other review panels.

Dr. Gibson joined CSR in 2001 after spending 14 years in the pharmaceutical industry. She received a D.Sc. in nutrition from the Harvard University School of Public Health. After two years of postdoctoral research at Cornell University, she studied lipid and lipoprotein metabolism in a clinical setting at the University of New South Wales in Australia, the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York City and the University of Miami School of Medicine, where she attained the rank of associate professor.

## **About CSR**

CSR organizes the peer review groups that evaluate the majority of grant applications submitted to NIH. These groups include experienced and respected researchers from across the country and abroad. Since 1946, CSR's mission has been to see that NIH grant applications receive fair, independent, expert, and timely reviews — free from inappropriate influences — so NIH can fund the most promising research. CSR also receives all incoming applications and assigns them to the NIH institutes and centers that fund grants. For more information, go to CSR's Web site—http://www.csr.nih.gov—or phone 301-435-1111.

## **About NIH**

NIH — the Nation's Medical Research Agency — includes 27 Institutes and Centers and is a component of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. It is the primary federal agency for conducting and supporting basic, clinical and translational medical research, and it investigates the causes, treatments, and cures for both common and rare diseases. For more information about NIH and its programs, visit www.nih.gov.