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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Martha Duncan Bond, Alternate Designated Federal Officer, Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Advisory Committee, Office on Women's Health, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Ave. SW., Room 719E, Washington, DC 20201. Inquiries may also be made to [cfsac@hhs.gov](mailto:cfsac@hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** CFSAC

was established on September 5, 2002. The purpose of the CFSAC is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of HHS, through the ASH, on issues related to ME/CFS. CFSAC advises and makes recommendations on a broad range of topics including: (1) The current state of knowledge and research; the relevant gaps in knowledge and research about the epidemiology, etiologies, biomarkers, and risk factors relating to ME/CFS; and potential opportunities in these areas; (2) impact and implications of current and proposed diagnostic and treatment methods for ME/CFS; (3) development and implementation of programs to inform the public, health care professionals, and the biomedical, academic, and research communities about ME/CFS advances; and (4) strategies to improve the quality of life of ME/CFS patients. Management and support services for Committee activities are provided by staff from the Office on Women's Health, which is a program office within the OASH. The CFSAC charter is available at <http://www.hhs.gov/advcomcfs/charter/index.html>.

*Nominations:* OASH is requesting nominations to fill CFSAC positions that are scheduled to be vacated during 2014. The Committee composition consists of seven scientists with demonstrated expertise in biomedical research applicable to ME/CFS, four individuals with demonstrated expertise in health care delivery, private health care services, insurance, or voluntary organizations concerned with the problems of individuals living with ME/CFS. The vacant positions are in the biomedical research, health care services, and delivery categories. Individuals selected for appointment to the Committee will serve as voting members. Individuals selected for appointment to the Committee can be invited to serve terms of up to four years. As Special Government

Employees, committee members receive a stipend for attending Committee meetings. Committee members also are authorized to receive per diem and reimbursement for travel expenses incurred for conducting Committee business. To qualify for consideration of appointment to the Committee, an individual must possess demonstrated experience and knowledge in the designated fields or disciplines, as well as expert knowledge of the broad issues and topics pertinent to ME/CFS.

Nomination materials should be typewritten, 12-point type, and double-spaced. If mailed, please submit original documents. The nomination materials should be submitted (postmarked or received) no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on the date specified under DATES. The following information must be part of the nomination package submitted for each individual being nominated: (1) A letter of nomination that clearly states the name and affiliation of the nominee, the basis for the nomination (i.e., specific attributes which qualify the nominee for service in this capacity), and a statement that the nominee is willing to serve as a member of the Committee; (2) the nominator's name, address, and daytime telephone number, and the home and/or work address, telephone number, and email address of the individual being nominated; and (3) a current copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae. Federal employees should not be nominated for consideration of appointment to this Committee. An individual may self-nominate.

Electronic submissions: Nomination materials, including attachments, may be submitted electronically to [cfsac@hhs.gov](mailto:cfsac@hhs.gov).

Telephone and facsimile submissions cannot be accepted.

Regular, Express, or Overnight Mail: Written documents may be submitted to the following addressee only: Martha Duncan Bond, Alternate Designated Federal Officer, CFSAC, Office on Women's Health, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Ave. SW., Room 719E, Washington, DC 20201.

The Department makes every effort to ensure that the membership of Federal advisory committees is fairly balanced in terms of points of view represented and the committee's function. Every effort is made to ensure that a broad representation of geographic areas, females, ethnic and minority groups, and people with disabilities are given consideration for membership on Federal advisory committees. Appointment to this Committee shall be

made without discrimination on the basis of age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, disability, and cultural, religious, or socioeconomic status. Nominations must state that the nominee is willing to serve as a member of CFSAC and appears to have no conflict of interest that would preclude membership. Potential candidates are required to provide detailed information concerning such matters as financial holdings, consultancies, and research grants or contracts for an ethics analysis to be conducted to identify potential conflicts of interest.

Dated: September 12, 2013.

**Nancy C. Lee,**

*Designated Federal Officer, Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Advisory Committee.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Solicitation of Nominations for Membership on the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections

**AGENCY:** Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office for Human Research Protections.

**ACTION:** Notice.

*Authority:* 42 U.S.C. 217a, Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended. The Committee is governed by the provisions of Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

**SUMMARY:** The Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), a program office in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment as members of the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections (SACHRP). SACHRP provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary, HHS, and the Assistant Secretary for Health on matters pertaining to the continuance and improvement of functions within the authority of HHS directed toward protections for human subjects in research. SACHRP was established by the Secretary, HHS, on October 1, 2002. OHRP is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to fill three positions on the Committee membership

that will be vacated during the 2014 calendar year.

**DATES:** Nominations for membership on the Committee must be received no later than October 28, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations should be mailed or delivered to Dr. Jerry Menikoff, Director, Office for Human Research Protections, Department of Health and Human Services, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 200, Rockville, MD 20852. Nominations will not be accepted by email or by facsimile.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julia Gorey, Executive Director, SACHRP, Office for Human Research Protections, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 200, Rockville, MD 20852, telephone: 240-453-8141. A copy of the Committee charter and list of the current members can be obtained by contacting Ms. Gorey, accessing the SACHRP Web site at [www.hhs.gov/ohrp/sachrp](http://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/sachrp), or requesting via email at [sachrp@osophs.dhhs.gov](mailto:sachrp@osophs.dhhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee provides advice on matters pertaining to the continuance and improvement of functions within the authority of HHS directed toward protections for human subjects in research. Specifically, the Committee provides advice relating to the responsible conduct of research involving human subjects with particular emphasis on special populations such as neonates and children, prisoners, the decisionally impaired, pregnant women, embryos and fetuses, individuals and populations in international studies, investigator conflicts of interest and populations in which there are individually identifiable samples, data or information.

In addition, the Committee is responsible for reviewing selected ongoing work and planned activities of the OHRP and other offices/agencies within HHS responsible for human subjects protection. These evaluations may include, but are not limited to, a review of assurance systems, the application of minimal research risk standards, the granting of waivers, education programs sponsored by OHRP, and the ongoing monitoring and oversight of institutional review boards and the institutions that sponsor research.

**Nominations:** The OHRP is requesting nominations to fill three positions for voting members of SACHRP that are scheduled to become vacant during 2014. Nominations of potential candidates for consideration are being sought from a wide array of fields, including, but not limited to: Public

health and medicine, behavioral and social sciences, health administration, and biomedical ethics. To qualify for consideration of appointment to the Committee, an individual must possess demonstrated experience and expertise in any of the several disciplines and fields pertinent to human subjects protection and/or clinical research.

The individuals selected for appointment to the Committee can be invited to serve a term of up to four years. Committee members receive a stipend and reimbursement for per diem and any travel expenses incurred for attending Committee meetings and/or conducting other business in the interest of the Committee. Interested applicants may self-nominate. Nominations may be retained and considered for future vacancies.

Nominations should be typewritten. The following information should be included in the package of material submitted for each individual being nominated for consideration: (1) A letter of nomination that clearly states the name and affiliation of the nominee, the basis for the nomination (i.e., specific attributes which qualify the nominee for service in this capacity), and a statement that the nominee is willing to serve as a member of the Committee; (2) the nominator's name, address, daytime telephone number, and the home and/or work address, telephone number, and email address of the individual being nominated; and (3) a current copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae. Federal employees should not be nominated for consideration of appointment to this Committee.

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Individuals who are selected to be considered for appointment will be required to provide detailed information regarding their financial holdings, consultancies, and research grants or contracts. Disclosure of this information is necessary in order to determine if the selected candidate is involved in any activity that may pose a potential

conflict with the official duties to be performed as a member of SACHRP.

Dated: September 24, 2013.

**Jerry Menikoff,**

*Director, Office for Human Research Protections, Executive Secretary, Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the Secretary

#### Office of Minority Health: Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority

This notice amends Part A, Office of the Secretary, Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, at Chapter AC, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, as last amended at 60 FR 56605-06 (November 9, 1995), 60 FR 18418-19 (April 11, 1995), 60 FR 471-473 (January 4, 1995), 58 FR 7140 (February 4, 1993), and 57 FR 13750-51 (April 7, 1992) and as established at 50 FR 50847-48 (December 12, 1985). This amendment establishes the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health as reporting directly to the Secretary and administratively supported by the Assistant Secretary for Health. The change is as follows:

I. Under Part A, Chapter AC.20, "Functions," Section C, "Office of Minority Health," delete the first paragraph, which begins with "The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health serves," and replace with the following:

The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health serves as the Director of the Office of Minority Health and principal advisor to the Secretary for health program activities that address minority populations, develops policies for the improvement of the health status of minority populations, and coordinates all PHS minority health activities. The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health reports directly to the Secretary and is administratively supported by the ASH.

II. Delegations of Authority: All delegations and re-delegations of authority made to officials and employees of affected organizational components will continue in them or their successors pending further redelegations.