

# 2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: National Advisory Mental Health Council

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## 1. Department or Agency

Department of Health and Human  
Services

## 2. Fiscal Year

2024

## 3. Committee or Subcommittee

National Advisory Mental Health  
Council

## 3b. GSA Committee

No.

954

## 4. Is this New During

Fiscal Year?

No

## 5. Current

Charter

12/24/2022

## 6. Expected

Renewal Date

12/24/2024

## 7. Expected

Term Date

## 8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear?

No

## 8b. Specific Termination Authority

## 8c. Actual Term Date

## 9. Agency

Recommendation for Next  
FiscalYear

Continue

## 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

## 10b.

Legislation  
Pending?

Not Applicable

## 11. Establishment Authority

Statutory (Congress Created)

## 12. Specific

Establishment  
Authority

42 U.S.C. 284a

## 13.

Effective  
Date

11/20/1985

## 14.

Committee  
Type

Continuing

## 14c.

Presidential?

No

## 15. Description of Committee

Other Committee

## 16a. Total

Number of  
Reports

No Reports for  
this FiscalYear

## 17a.

Open

0

17b. Closed0

17c. Partially Closed0

Other Activities0

17d. Total0

## Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

Current Next

FY

FY

<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.00	0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The committee is composed of both scientific and public members who provide the second level of peer review, advise on policy development, program implementation and evaluation, and research needs and opportunities of the Institute. The Institute received 8,095 applications (mental health primary or secondary) requesting \$14,199,604,724 in support during this reporting period. These applications were reviewed by initial review groups and were then considered by the Council prior to potential funding.

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

The National Advisory Mental Health Council is

composed of not more than 18 appointed members with research interests and responsibilities paralleling those of the National Institute of Mental Health. Two-thirds of the members are scientists who are outstanding medical or scientific authorities knowledgeable in the fields of mental health and mental disorders and one-third of the members are representatives of the general public who are leaders in the fields of public policy, law, health policy, economics and management. The Council will also consist of at least five nonvoting ex officio members which will include the Secretary; the Director, NIH; the Director, NIMH; the Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs; the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (or their designees); and any additional officers or employees of the United States as the Secretary determines necessary for the Council to effectively carry out its functions.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

Meetings are usually held not less than three times each fiscal year. The Council met 3 times this year on 2/7-8/2023, 5/16-17/2023, and 9/7-8/2023. The National Advisory Mental Health Council provides advice on a continuing basis on the type of scientific research programs that should be supported and on how to carry out the designated mission and responsibilities of the Institute. It also provides ongoing review of the relevance and effectiveness of the existing programs.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

The National Advisory Mental Health Council is composed of both scientific and public members

who provide the second level of review for research and training grants and cooperative agreements; advise on policy development, program implementation and evaluation; and research needs and opportunities of the Institute. The quality, scope, and balance of advice from this Council cannot be obtained from NIH staff or from other established sources because the membership of the Council is constituted to meet the specific requirements of the mandated mission of the Council and of the Institute.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

The meetings of the National Advisory Mental Health Council were partially closed to the public for the review of grant applications. Sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act permit the closing of meetings where discussion could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

**21. Remarks**

Committee Function: Other - National Scientific and Advisory. Dr. Tracy Waldeck serves as both the DFO and the Committee Decision Maker for this committee based on the assignment of responsibilities within this Institute. Reports: This committee did not produce any public reports during this reporting period. Ex Officio Members: Dr. Everett's term date was incorrectly recorded. The member record has been corrected to display the correct term of service. Dr. Lawrence Tabak's title was updated from Performing the Duties of the NIH Director to Acting Director, NIH this fiscal year. Administrative extensions: Members

Vinogradov, Almasy, and Baldwin were administratively extended until 3/29/2023.

## Designated Federal Officer

### Tracy L. Waldeck DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF EXTRAMURAL ACTIVITIES

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Abel, Edwin Ted	01/30/2022	09/30/2024	Chair and Departmental Executive Officer, University of Iowa	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Ajilore, Olusola	01/17/2023	09/30/2025	Associate Professor, University of Illinois-Chicago	Government Employee (SGE) Member
Becerra, Xavier	03/19/2021	01/20/2025	SECRETARY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	Ex Officio Member
Collins, Pamela	01/30/2022	09/30/2024	Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Washington	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Gillison, Daniel	01/17/2023	09/30/2025	Chief Executive Officer, National Alliance on Mental Illness	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Gordon, Joshua	12/22/2016	09/30/2024	Director, National Institute of Mental Health	Ex Officio Member
Kilbourne, Amy	05/11/2017	09/30/2024	Director, Health Services Research & Development VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System	Ex Officio Member
Lightfoot, Marguerita	01/30/2022	09/30/2024	Professor, Associate Dean for Research, OHSU-PSU School of Public Health	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Murry, Velma	01/17/2023	09/30/2025	Lois Autrey Betts Chair of Education & Human Development, Vanderbilt University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Nigg, Joel	01/30/2022	09/30/2024	Professor and Vice Chair for Psychology, Oregon Health and Science University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Nock, Matthew	01/30/2022	09/30/2024	Edgar Pierce Professor of Psychology, Harvard University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Recupero, Patricia	06/05/2022	09/30/2024	Senior Vice President of Education and Training, Butler Hospital	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Roth, Bryan	01/30/2022	09/30/2024	Michael Hooker Distinguished Professor, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Scott, Laura	01/17/2023	09/30/2025	Research Professor, University of Michigan School of Public Health	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Tabak, Lawrence	12/20/2021	01/20/2025	Acting Director, NIH	Ex Officio Member

### Number of Committee Members Listed: 15

### Narrative Description

NIH's mission is to seek fundamental knowledge about the nature and behavior of living systems and the application of that knowledge to enhance health, lengthen life, and reduce illness and disability. NIH works toward that mission by: conducting research in its own laboratories; supporting the research of non-Federal scientists in universities, medical schools, hospitals, and research institutions throughout the country and abroad; helping in the training of research investigators; and fostering communication of medical and health sciences information. Section 492 of the Public Health Service Act states that, "The Secretary...shall by regulation require appropriate technical and scientific peer review of (A) applications...; and (B) ...biomedical and behavioral research and development contracts..." The National Advisory Mental Council provides second level peer review, makes recommendations for support of grants, contracts proposals, and cooperative agreements; advises on policy development, program

implementation and evaluation; and identifies research needs of the Institute.

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

Checked if  
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Outcome Comments**

NA

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Cost Savings Comments**

NIH supported basic and clinical research accomplishments often take many years to unfold into new diagnostic tests and new ways to treat and prevent diseases.

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee**

**for the life of the committee?**

166,126

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

The number of recommendations includes the second level review of grant applications for FY 2003 through FY2023.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

0%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

Information on the research funded by NIH is available through the RePORT (Research Portfolio Online Reporting Tool) website. RePORT provides access to reports, data, and analyses of NIH research activities that advance the mission of the NIH, including information on NIH expenditures, strategic plans, reports on NIH funding, and reports on the organizations and people involved in NIH research and research training. The RePORT website is located at <http://report.nih.gov>.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

0%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

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**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

**Agency Feedback Comments**

The agency provides feedback at the Council meetings, in reports, and on the agency website.



**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Action Comments**

An action of "approved" or "recommended" for grants receiving review by this Council does not infer that the grant will be or has been funded. Research grant applications submitted to NIH must go through a two-step review process that includes the initial peer review for scientific and technical merit and a second step of review and approval by a National Advisory Council that includes program relevance. In addition, prior to an award or funding being made, NIH staff must conduct an administrative review for a number of other considerations. These include alignment with NIH's funding principles, review of the project budget, assessment of the applicant's management systems, determination of applicant eligibility, and compliance with public policy requirements. After all these steps have been completed, NIH officials make funding decisions on individual grant applications. The Council reviews the portfolios of the Institute and makes recommendations about the areas of research to expand or decrease.

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

Yes

What is the estimated Number of grants reviewed for approval

What is the estimated Number of grants recommended for approval 8,095  
8,095

What is the estimated Dollar Value of grants recommended for approval  
\$14,199,604,724

**Grant Review Comments**

These are the number of applications received and the dollar amount requested.

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Online Committee Web Site



Online GSA FACA Web Site



Publications



Other



### **Access Comments**

NA