

2023 Current Fiscal Year Report: Disability, Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research Advisory Council

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1. Department or Agency		2. Fiscal Year	
Department of Health and Human Services		2023	
3. Committee or Subcommittee		3b. GSA Committee No.	
Disability, Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research Advisory Council		2521	
4. Is this New Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	12/18/2014	12/18/2016	
8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?	8b. Specific Termination Authority		8c. Actual Term Date
No			
9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year	10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?	
Terminate	Yes	Not Applicable	
11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)			
12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
WIOA, Rehab Act of 1973, Section 205	07/22/2014	Continuing	No
15. Description of Committee Non Scientific Program Advisory Board			
16a. Total Number of Reports	No Reports for this Fiscal Year		
17a. Open	17b. Closed	17c. Partially Closed	Other Activities
0	0	0	0
17d. Total			
0			
Meetings and Dates			
No Meetings			

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

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The scope of the research and related activities sponsored by the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR) is extremely broad. Its multi-domain reach expands across all age groups, and is cross-disability in nature. It is important, therefore, that individuals appointed to serve as members of the Disability, Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research Advisory Council (DILRRAC) are similarly representative, reflecting diversity in education, vocation, profession,

culture, and disability to equip the Council to provide advice to the Director of NIDILRR that is both valid and reliable. This broad diversity, coupled with an experiential base derived from the mix of disciplines, best equips members to serve the Director well. Meetings will be held to solicit input on tasks according to an annual plan that delineates the goals, objectives and purpose. The committee staff will capture the communication between members and NIDILRR leadership. The role of DILRRAC is unique in that its members are actual researchers, practitioners, consumers, advocates, and administrators of programs whose experience and perspective will inform and impact the quality of life of the millions of Americans with disability. The work of this body will directly and indirectly bring attention to the real-world needs, issues, challenges and barriers that the disability community faces on a daily basis.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Council would have been comprised of a minimum of twelve individuals. One-half of the members would have individuals with disability or their representatives. The balance of the membership would have been representative of the communities of disability, independent living, and rehabilitation professionals; disability, independent living, rehabilitation researchers, directors of independent living centers and community rehabilitation programs: the business community, the technology community and the community of school professionals. Members would have been appointed to terms on a staggered basis, with future appointments will be managed such that vacancies will sustain a balanced and representative Council membership.

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

This committee was never stood up and is administratively inactive

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

These are the stakeholders and benefactors of the research and development work of NIDILRR.

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

It is anticipated that this committee will not hold closed meetings.

21. Remarks

The DILRRAC membership was never finalized. No meetings ever occurred. In FY-2019, this statutory committee was reported by HHS to OMB and recommended for termination under E.O. 13875.

Designated Federal Officer

Sarah Pamperin

Narrative Description

The Council would have advised the NIDILRR Director on research priorities and the development and revision of the 5-year strategic plan required by section 202(h) of the Rehabilitation Act. The Committee would have provided input to ensure that the Plan reflects the appropriate funding priorities, and that the goals and objectives are aligned with those of the Department. The Committee would have coordinated with inter-and intra-agency work teams responsible for the administration of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 [42 U.S.C. 15001 et seq.] and that input is obtained from individuals with disabilities and the individuals' representatives, organizations representing individuals with disabilities, providers of services furnished under this chapter, researchers in the rehabilitation field, and any other persons or entities the Director believes are appropriate. The Council was to also make recommendations to the Director on specific plans for widespread dissemination of the results of research activities, in accessible formats, to rehabilitation practitioners, individuals with disabilities, and the individuals' representatives and individuals with disabilities who are members of minority groups or of populations that are unserved or underserved by programming.

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 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

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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

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What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

0

Number of Recommendations Comments

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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

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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

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

Checked if Applies

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

Action Comments

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

No

Grant Review Comments

Not Applicable

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 type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

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