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March 14, 2019

Teleconference Meeting

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Summary Proceedings

The twenty-ninth meeting of the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) Board of Scientific Counselors (BSC) was convened on Thursday, March 14, 2019 via teleconference and Adobe Connect. The BSC met in closed session in accordance with the Privacy Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). Dr. Daniel Whitaker served as Chair.

This meeting was closed to the public in accordance with the determination that it was concerned with matters exempt from mandatory disclosure under Sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), title 5, U.S. Code and Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). The Scientific Review Officer explained policies and procedures regarding avoidance of conflict of interest situations; voting and priority rating; and confidentiality of application materials, committee discussions, and recommendations. Committee members absented themselves from the meeting during discussion of, and voting on, applications from their own institutions, or other applications in which there was a potential conflict of interest, real or apparent.

Upon establishing a quorum, a secondary review was conducted for the following NCIPC Notice of Funding Opportunity Announcement (NOFO):

- **RFA-CE-18-002: Injury Control Research Centers (ICRC).** The initial Injury Control Research Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) convened in person on October 29th-November 2, 2018 to review the scientific and technical merit of these applications.
Certification

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing minutes of the March 14, 2019 NCIPC BSC meeting are accurate and complete:

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Call to Order / Roll Call

Call to Order

Gwendolyn Haile Cattledge, PhD, MSEH
NCIPC BSC Designated Federal Official
Deputy Associate Director for Science
National Center for Injury Prevention and Control
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Dr. Cattledge called to order the open session of the twenty-ninth meeting of the NCIPC BSC at 2:00 PM on Thursday, March 14, 2019.

Roll Call

Mrs. Tonia Lindley
NCIPC Committee Management Specialist
National Center for Injury Prevention and Control
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Mrs. Lindley conducted a roll call of NCIPC BSC members and Ex Officio members, confirming that a quorum was present. Quorum was maintained throughout the open portion of the teleconference. An official list of meeting attendees is appended to the end of this document as Attachment A.
Dr. Mikosz thanked everyone for a very robust and thoughtful discussion during the December 2018 NCIPC BSC meeting regarding the Opioid Prescribing Estimates Project. NCIPC carefully considered the BSC’s recommendations regarding next steps for this project, which are reflected in the project’s new scope. The Opioid Prescribing Estimates Project originally had three main components, which were as follows:

1) For a wide range of acute nonsurgical, acute postsurgical, and chronic pain conditions, calculate on an indication-specific basis: 1) Current opioid prescribing rate in the United States (US); 2) Opioid prescribing rate in the US if best practices were followed; and 3) The magnitude of change needed to bring opioid prescribing rates in line with best practices;

2) Conduct a separate analysis examining current opioid prescribing rates for palliative care indications and cancer in active treatment; and

3) Utilize OptumLabs® medical and pharmaceutical claims data, which is comprised of a commercially insured and Medicaid Advantage population.

Based on discussion following the December 2018 BSC meeting, two main recommendations emerged with regard to how to proceed with the project. These are shown below, with each followed by the way NCIPC plans to proceed based on these recommendations:

1) Proceed with the descriptive analysis of opioid prescribing through the Optum claims dataset with consideration of the concerns and documentation of limitations noted by the Workgroup (WG) and the BSC.

   **CHANGES**
   - Descriptive analysis of indication-specific opioid prescribing rates for about 45 medical conditions during 2017, without any analytic comparison to best practice opioid prescribing estimates; and
   - Make clear notations of the study limitations in the manuscript.

2) Further explore complementary datasets that may allow for better characterization of additional diagnoses and patient populations.

   **CHANGES**
   - Include MarketScan® data as a supplementary analysis, given that it will allow for:
     a) Medicaid data from 8 states
     b) Better representation of the pediatric population in the study
     c) Better representation of sickle cell disease and crises in the study
With the change in scope and new limited focus as a descriptive analytic study, this project no longer meets criteria as Influential Scientific Information (ISI). It will undergo rigorous scientific clearance internally at CDC per usual channels but will not be posted for public comment or government-sponsored peer review. NCIPC anticipates submitting this manuscript to a peer-reviewed journal sometime during the Summer of 2019.

**Closing Comments / Adjournment**

Arlene Greenspan, DrPH, MPH  
Associate Director for Science  
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With no further business posed, questions / discussion raised, or public comments offered, Dr. Greenspan thanked everyone for their attendance and participation and officially adjourned the open portion of the twenty-ninth meeting of the NCIPC BSC at 2:40 PM.
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