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Minutes of the Fiftieth Meeting
July 12, 2007

Summary Report



The fiftieth meeting of the Advisory Committee for Injury Prevention and Control (ACIPC) took place on Thursday, July 12, 2007, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., with Dr. Carolyn Fowler serving as Chair.

The eighteenth meeting of the Science and Program Review Subcommittee (SPRS) took place on Thursday, July 12, 2007, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., with Dr. Mark Redfern serving as Chair.



General Session (Open to the Public)

Call to Order / Introductions / Executive Secretary's Announcements

*Carolyn J. Fowler, Ph.D., M.P.H., ACIPC Chair
Director, Injury Prevention Program
Baltimore County Department of Health*

Dr. Carolyn Fowler officially called to order the general session of the fiftieth meeting of the ACIPC at 3:00 p.m., noting that the eighteenth meeting of the Science and Program Review Subcommittee (SPRS) had been convened earlier in the day. Following the roll call, Dr. Fowler requested public comments. With none offered, she closed the meeting to the public and requested that Dr. Redfern proceed with the report from the SPRS meeting.

Secondary Review (Closed to the Public)

Overview

Dr. Fowler reminded those present that all discussions were to remain confidential, ensured that everyone had completed and submitted conflict of interest forms, and reviewed the procedures

for those having conflicts of interest.

Dr. Redfern explained that the purpose of this meeting was to review the SPRS report and recommendations for the following Program Announcements:

- 07002: Intimate Partner Violence
- 07003: Youth Violence
- 07004: Abusive Head Trauma
- 07005: Bullying and Sexual Violence Prevention
- 07006: Traumatic Injury Biomechanics Research
- 07007: Fall Prevention "Stepping On"
- 07008: Traumatic Brain Injury

07002: Intimate Partner Violence

Dr. Waxweiler read the names of the applicant institutions to ensure that anyone with a conflict of interest recuse themselves from the conference call. Dr. C. Hendricks Brown recused himself. **Dr. Redfern** reported that CDC received a total of seven applications in response to this solicitation. One application was returned to the applicant for non-responsiveness. Six applications were peer reviewed by a panel that met in Atlanta, Georgia, on May 14, 2007. The panel was made up of consultants selected for their expertise related to the applications being considered and included at least one member of the Initial Review Group (IRG), NCIPC, CDC. The panel members fully reviewed and scored six applications. All six scored proposals received priority scores of less than 351 and were recommended for further consideration by the Science and Program Review Subcommittee (SPRS). On May 24, 2007, the complete IRG convened by conference call and they reviewed and voted to accept the findings of the panel.

For this announcement, the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) staff recommended, and SPRS members agreed, that the applications with the two highest ranked scores for RFA CE07-002 be funded in priority score order. In addition, staff recommended funding the third highest ranked application. The funding necessary to support this third application is available and doing so will allow NCIPC to fund a family focused intervention. The funding total for the recommended three applications is \$944,255. Staff also recommended that if additional resources become available, applications with priority scores of 250 or less be funded in rank order.

Discussion:

No discussion was offered.

Motion

A motion was made to accept the NCIPC Staff/SPRS recommendations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously with no abstentions.

07003: Youth Violence

Dr. Waxweiler read the names of the applicant institutions to ensure that anyone with a conflict of interest recuse themselves from the conference call. Drs. C. Hendricks Brown, Carolyn Fowler, Denise Tate, Mark Redfern and Mr. Jerry Reed recused themselves. Given that Dr. Redfern had to recuse himself from the call for this announcement, **Dr. David Grossman** reported in his absence that CDC received a total of 18 applications in response to this solicitation. No applications were returned to applicants for non-responsiveness. All 18 applications were peer reviewed by a panel that met in Atlanta, Georgia, on May 21, 2007. The panel was made up of consultants selected for their expertise related to the applications being considered and included at least one member of the IRG. The panel members triaged 8 applications and fully reviewed and scored 10 applications. All 10 scored proposals received priority scores of less than 351 and are recommended for further consideration by SPRS. On May 24, 2007, the complete IRG convened by conference call and they reviewed and voted to accept the findings of the panel.

For this announcement, NCIPC staff recommended, and SPRS members agreed, that the applications with the two highest ranked scores for RFA CE07-003 be funded in priority score order. The funding total for the recommended two applications is \$399,994. Staff also recommended that if additional resources become available, applications with priority scores of 250 or less be funded in rank order.

Discussion:

No discussion was offered.

Motion

A motion was made to accept the NCIPC Staff/SPRS recommendations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously with no abstentions.

07004: Abusive Head Trauma

Dr. Waxweiler read the names of the applicant institutions to ensure that anyone with a conflict of interest recuse themselves from the conference call. No conflicts were reported. **Dr. Redfern** reported that CDC received a total of four applications in response to this solicitation. No applications were returned to the applicants for non-responsiveness. All four grant proposals were peer reviewed by a panel on May 16, 2007, via a telephone conference call. The peer review panel was made up of consultants selected for their expertise related to the applications being considered and included at least one member of the IRG. The panel members reviewed and discussed all four applications. Three proposals received priority scores of less than 351 and thus were recommended for further consideration by SPRS. On May 24, 2007, the complete IRG convened by conference call and they reviewed and voted to accept the findings of the panel.

NCIPC staff recommended, and SPRS members agreed, that the applications with the two highest ranked scores for RFA CE07-004 be funded. There is no recommendation to fund any further applications should additional funding become available, given that the next highest-ranking application scored 340. The proposed funding total for these two applications is \$1,140,583.

Discussion:

No discussion was offered.

Motion

A motion was made motioned to accept the NCIPC Staff/SPRS recommendations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously with no abstentions.

07005: Bullying and Sexual Violence Prevention

Dr. Waxweiler read the names of the applicant institutions to ensure that anyone with a conflict of interest recuse themselves from the conference call. No conflicts were noted. **Dr. Redfern** reported that CDC received a total of five applications in response to this solicitation. No applications were returned to the applicants for non-responsiveness. All five grant proposals were peer reviewed by a panel on May 15, 2007, via a telephone conference call. The peer review panel was made up of consultants selected for their expertise related to the applications being considered and included at least one member of the IRG. The panel members reviewed and discussed all five applications. Four proposals received priority scores of less than 351 and thus were recommended for further consideration by SPRS. On May 24, 2007, the complete IRG convened by conference call and they reviewed and voted to accept the findings of the panel.

NCIPC staff recommended, and SPRS members agreed, that only the application with the highest ranked score for RFA CE07-005 be funded. Because of the concerns raised by the reviewers and the scores assigned, staff recommended that the remaining projects not be funded. The proposed funding total for this application is \$297,020.

Discussion:

Mr. Reed requested clarification regarding why only one proposal was being recommended for funding in this area. **Dr. Waxweiler** responded that the program prefers to fund applications of the highest scientific quality. They prefer to fund applications with scores better than 200, although sometimes they will go somewhat over that. The second highest ranked proposal scored 248, which is a score the program rarely funds for a full research study, although they might fund a score in that range for a dissertation student.

Motion

A motion was made motioned to accept the NCIPC Staff/SPRS recommendations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously with no abstentions.

07006: Traumatic Injury Biomechanics Research

Dr. Waxweiler read the names of the applicant institutions to ensure that anyone with a conflict of interest recuse themselves from the conference call. Dr. David Grossman recused himself.

Dr. Redfern reported that CDC received a total of 26 applications in response to this solicitation. None of the applicants was determined to be non-responsive. On May 22-24, 2007, the panel addressing extramural grants for traumatic injury biomechanics research met in Atlanta, Georgia, and considered the 26 related applications. The panel was made up of consultants selected for their expertise related to the applications being considered and included at least one member of the IRG. On May 22, 2007, the panel members used the streamline process to determine that eight of the applications were noncompetitive and these applications were eliminated from further competition. On May 23 and 24, 2007, the panel members reviewed and discussed the remaining 17 applications. Of the proposals, 8 received priority scores of less than 250 and thus were recommended for further consideration by SPRS. On May 24, 2007, the complete IRG convened by conference call and they reviewed and voted to accept the findings of this panel.

NCIPC staff recommended, and SPRS members agreed, that the applications with the two highest ranked scores for RFA CE07-006 be funded. The proposed funding total for these two applications is \$569,385. Staff also recommended that if additional resources become available, applications with priority scores of less than 250 be funded in rank order.

Discussion:

No discussion was offered.

Motion

A motion was made motioned to accept the NCIPC Staff/SPRS recommendations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously with no abstentions.

07007: Fall Prevention "Stepping On"

Dr. Waxweiler read the names of the applicant institutions to ensure that anyone with a conflict of interest recuse themselves from the conference call. No conflicts were noted. **Dr. Redfern** reported that CDC received four applications in response to this solicitation. One application was returned to the applicant for non-responsiveness. Three applications were peer reviewed by a panel that met by telephone conference on May 17, 2007. The panel was made up of consultants selected for their expertise related to the applications being considered and included at least one member of the IRG. The panel members fully reviewed and scored three applications. All three scored proposals received priority scores of less than 351 and were recommended for further consideration by the SPRS. On May 24, 2007, the complete IRG convened by conference call and they reviewed and voted to accept the findings of the panel.

NCIPC staff recommended, and SPRS members agreed, that the application with the highest ranked score for RFA CE07-007 be funded. The funding total for the recommended application is \$340,000. Staff also recommended that if additional resources become available, applications with priority scores of 250 or less be funded in rank order.

Discussion:

No discussion was offered.

Motion

A motion was made motioned to accept the NCIPC Staff/SPRS recommendations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously with no abstentions.

07008: Traumatic Brain Injury

Dr. Waxweiler read the names of the applicant institutions to ensure that anyone with a conflict of interest recuse themselves from the conference call. No conflicts were noted. **Dr. Redfern** reported that CDC received four applications in response to the above solicitation. One application was returned to the applicant for non-responsiveness. Three applications were peer reviewed by a panel that met by telephone conference on May 18, 2007. The panel was made up of consultants selected for their expertise related to the applications being considered and included at least one member of the IRG. The panel members fully reviewed and scored three applications. All three scored proposals received priority scores of less than 351 and were recommended for further consideration by SPRS. On May 24, 2007, the complete IRG convened by conference call and they reviewed and voted to accept the findings of the panel.

NCIPC staff recommended, and SPRS members agreed, that the application with the highest ranked score for RFA CE07-008 be funded. The funding total for the recommended application

is \$500,000. Staff also recommended that if additional resources become available, applications with priority scores of 250 or less be funded in rank order.

Discussion:

No discussion was offered.

Motion

A motion was made motioned to accept the NCIPC Staff/SPRS recommendations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously with no abstentions.

Other Business / Closing Remarks / Adjournment

Dr. Fowler reported that the next SPRS meeting will also be convened by conference call on August 20, 2007, at 10:30 a.m., EDT, followed by the ACIPC conference call at 1:00 p.m., EDT. These calls should be brief, given that there are only three applications for these supplemental funds. These are for existing agreements and are all likely to be funded. Mr. Tony Johnson will be sending further information. The November 14-15, 2007, ACIPC meeting will be convened in person. Ms. Melissa Gipson will be sending out information regarding this meeting at a later date. Dr. Fowler thanked everyone for their time and assistance, including those who helped to plan, organize, and document all information for this process. Ms. Amy Harris officially welcomed Ms. Meri-K Appy to ACIPC.

With no further business posed, the meeting was officially adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

Meredith K. (Meri-K) Appy
C. Hendricks Brown, Ph.D.
Carolyn J. Fowler, Ph.D., M.P.H.
David Grossman, M.D., M.P.H.
Allen W. Heinemann, Ph.D.
Chester Huber
Diane E. Moyer, J.D.
Mark Redfern, Ph D.
Jerry Reed, M.S.W.
Denise G. Tate, Ph.D., ABPP
Billie P. Weiss, M.P.H.

CDC Personnel:

Adele Childress, Ph.D.
Dianne Clapp
Melissa Gipson
Amy Harris, M.P.A.

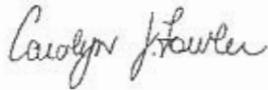
Tony Johnson
Tom Simon, Ph.D.
Paul Smutz, Ph.D.
Rick Waxweiler, Ph.D.

Others Present and Affiliations:

Stephanie Henry Wallace, Cambridge Communications & Training Institute (Writer/Editor)

Certification

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing summary is accurate and complete:



Carolyn J. Fowler, Ph.D., M.P.H.

8/12/2007

Date