



NATIONAL SCIENCE ADVISORY BOARD FOR BIOSECURITY (NSABB)



National Institutes
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Hyatt Regency Bethesda- Cabinet/Judiciary Room
January 23-24, 2020

AGENDA - JANUARY 23

12:30 PM – 12:45 PM **Welcome and Introduction of NSABB Members**
Gerald W. Parker, Jr., DVM, PhD

SESSION I: POLICY UPDATES & CHARGE TO THE NSABB

Provide a historical overview of issues related to GOF research, update on relevant USG policies, and deliver the charge to the NSABB.

12:45 PM – 1:15 PM **U.S. Government Policy Regarding Research Involving Enhanced Potential Pandemic Pathogens (PPP) – the Gain-of-Function (GOF) Deliberative Process**
Carrie D. Wolinetz, PhD

1:15 PM – 1:45 PM **HHS Framework for Guiding Funding Decisions about Proposed Research Involving Enhanced PPP and Public Transparency Regarding Funded Projects**
David C. Hassell, PhD

1:45 PM – 2:00 PM **Charge to the NSABB**
Lawrence A. Tabak, DDS, PhD

2:00 PM – 2:15 PM **BREAK**

SESSION II: TRANSPARENCY & SECURITY IN RESEARCH – POLICIES & PERSPECTIVES

Discuss relevant policies and ethical issues that should be considered regarding the appropriate balance between security and public transparency and hear perspectives from the scientific, public health, and biosecurity communities.

2:15 PM – 3:00 PM **Balancing Transparency and Security – Ethical and Policy Considerations**
David B. Resnik, JD, PhD and Gigi Gronvall, PhD

3:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Perspectives on Transparency and Security Regarding Enhanced PPP Research

Moderator: Carrie D. Wolinetz, PhD

Panelists: Jessica Belser, PhD
Tom Inglesby, MD
Vincent R. Racaniello, PhD
Marc Lipsitch, DPhil
Luciana Borio, MD

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

NSABB Discussion

Gerald W. Parker, Jr., DVM, PhD

5:00 PM

Adjournment

Gerald W. Parker, Jr., DVM, PhD

AGENDA – JANUARY 24

9:00 AM – 9:05 AM

Opening Remarks

Gerald W. Parker, Jr., DVM, PhD

SESSION III: TRANSPARENCY, SECURITY & CONFIDENTIALITY – PROCEDURES & PRACTICES

Discuss the balance of openness and confidentiality in the peer review process; explore approaches to balancing transparency and security for research involving high-consequence pathogens; and learn about the experiences of information sharing and engagement between research institutions and local communities.

9:05 AM – 9:35 AM

Scientific Peer Review

Jodi B. Black, PhD and Theresa Good, PhD, MSc

9:35 AM – 10:00 AM

Balancing Security and Transparency for Research Involving Biological Select Agents and Toxins

Samuel S. Edwin, PhD

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Community Engagement on Pathogen Research

Moderator: James W. Le Duc, PhD

Panelists: Ann Masel, CPA
Caree Vander Linden, BS
Rebecca Moritz MS, CBSP, SM(NRCM)
Shannon Benjamin, MS, MBA, RBP, CBSP, SM(NRCM)

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

LUNCH BREAK

**SESSION IV: RESPONSIBLE ENGAGEMENT/COMMUNICATION FOR ENHANCED PPP RESEARCH
– CONSIDERATIONS & STRATEGIES**

Discuss principles, considerations, and practical issues associated with public communication of and engagement regarding risks and benefits in the face of uncertainty; responsible communication of dual use research of concern; and practical communication and engagement experiences of public health officials.

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM

**Responsible Public Communication/Engagement – Risks,
Benefits, and Uncertainty**

Moderator: Joseph Kanabrocki, PhD, CBSP

Panelists: Baruch Fischhoff, PhD
Jo L. Husbands, PhD
Sam Lipson, MS, REHS
Carole R. Baskin, DVM, MSc, CPIA

2:00 PM – 2:15 PM

PUBLIC COMMENT

2:15 PM – 2:30 PM

NSABB Discussion and Next Steps

Gerald W. Parker, Jr., DVM, PhD and Jessica M. Tucker, PhD

2:30 PM

Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Gerald W. Parker, Jr., DVM, PhD