

NCI-Frederick Advisory Committee (NFAC)

Function Statement

The NFAC provides advice to the Director, NCI and the Associate Director, Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research (FNLCR) on the optimal use of the Laboratory to meet the most urgent needs of the Institute. The Frederick National Lab. is designated as a Federally Funded Research and Development Center that provides a unique national research within the biomedical research community for the development of new technologies and the translation of basic science discoveries into novel agents for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer and AIDS.

As such, the NFAC reviews the state of research at the FNLCR and makes recommendations for the best use of its capabilities and infrastructure. The committee reviews major new projects proposed to be performed, the existing portfolio of projects and evaluation of their productivity, and helps to determine which of these projects should be transitioned to more conventional mechanisms of support and which should be considered for termination.