MINUTES OF THE NUTRITION COORDINATING COMMITTEE (NCC) MEETING, NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH) Rockledge 2, Conference Room 9100-9104, Bethesda, MD February 7, 2008 2:00- 4:00 PM

WELCOME

Dr. Van Hubbard, Director, NIH Division of Nutrition Research Coordination (DNRC), convened the meeting at 2:00 PM and welcomed participants. Participating via phone were Dr. Darla Danford, NIH NHLBI; COL Karl Friedl, DoD; Dr. Deborah Galuska, CDC; Shirley Gerrior, USDA CSREES; Dr. Jatunn Gibson, CSREES visiting scholar from Auburn University; Dr. Molly Kretsch, USDA; Ms. Michele Lawler, HRSA; Ms. Holly McPeak, OS ODPHP; Dr. Linda Nebeling, NIH NCI; Dr. Deborah Olster, NIH OBSSR; Dr. Jean Pennington, NIH DNRC; Dr. Marshall Plaut, NIH NIAID; Dr. Daniel Raiten, NIH NICHD; Dr. Rick Troiano, OS ODPHP; Dr. Susan Welsh, USDA CRSEES; and Dr. Elizabeth Yetley, NIH ODS. The agenda for the meeting is provided as Appendix A, and the list of attendees is provided as Appendix B.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 3, 2008 NCC MEETING Minutes from the January 3, 2008 NCC meeting had previously been sent to

NCC members via email. Dr. Hubbard asked if there were any other corrections to the minutes. There were none. Dr. Paul Coates, Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS), made a motion to approve the minutes, and Dr. John Milner, National Institute of Cancer (NCI), seconded the motion. The minutes were thus approved and will be posted on the DNRC website along with the minutes from previous NCC Meetings.

UPDATE ON THE 2010 DIETARY GUIDELINES FOR AMERICANS.

Ms. Dorothea Vafiadis, Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion (CNPP), USDA, provided the NCC members with an update of the process for the next round of the *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*. Every 5 years, the USDA and HHS appoint a new Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee (DGAC) consisting of nationally recognized experts in the field of nutrition and health. The charge to the Committee is to review the scientific and medical knowledge current at the time and to recommend to the Secretaries any revisions to the *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* that the Committee determines are warranted for the next edition. The Committee prepares a report of its recommendations and rationales for revision to the Secretaries. The Departments then jointly review the Committee's recommendations and publish the revised *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*.

Based on lessons learned from past Committee members, it was determined that a new tool should be provided to assist the 2010 Committee as they review the current literature. Due to the high value placed on recommendations that are based on evidence-based practice, the new tool will facilitate evidence-based reviews of pertinent questions. For more information about an evidence-based

approach to review the science on nutrition and health, visit the following website: http://www.cnpp.usda.gov/Publications/NutritionInsights/Insight38.pdf

In preparation for the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*, USDA worked with the American Dietetic Association (ADA) to develop a Nutrition Evidence Library (NEL). On February 5 and 6, 2008, 13 federal staff participated in a training workshop on ADA's method. The NEL is a mirror image of ADA's library but has been adapted for the purposes of USDA/HHS. Some of the staff who participated in the training will be supervising the work of the abstractors as the project gets underway.

In order to guide the process of the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*, a Federal Interest Group was established. They determined that questions raised by the 2005 DGAC would be a good starting point for questions to be addressed with the NEL. Five topic areas were initially selected and the first area for review will be whole grains. The specific questions have yet to be defined.

The call for abstractors will be going out shortly. Once selected, the abstractors will be given questions defined by the Federal Interest Group and will then begin to build the NEL. If you have any suggestions as to where to send the call for abstractors, please contact Ms. Vafiadis (Dorothea.Vafiadis@cnpp.usda.gov). In the summer of 2008, the 2010 DGAC will be selected. The goal is to have a substantial part of the NEL built before the Committee has their first public meeting in the fall.

HEALTHY PEOPLE

2010 Progress Review

Dr. Van Hubbard, DNRC, provided an update on the Nutrition and Overweight focus area of *Healthy People 2010*. The coordination of this focus area is jointly led by the DNRC and FDA. Together, they have identified two key topics that will be highlighted at the upcoming Progress Review on April 3rd. The review will be led by Acting Assistant Secretary for Health, Dr. Don Wright. The two areas to be highlighted are obesity (specifically childhood obesity) and dietary intake with an emphasis on fruit and vegetable consumption as well as calcium intake. The goal of the review process is to identify the strategies and barriers in meeting the targets established for *Healthy People 2010*. Information regarding the review has already been sent to the members of the Nutrition and Overweight working group, but if you did not receive this information and would like to be included in the effort, please contact Dr. Hubbard (hubbardv@mail.nih.gov). The next conference call will take place on February 22nd, and more information will be available at this time.

As a reminder, because the Progress Review will take place on Thursday, April 3rd from 1:30 to 3:00, there will not be an NCC meeting in April.

Healthy People 2020 Activities

Dr. Barry Portnoy, Office of Disease Prevention (ODP), in the Office of the Director (OD), NIH provided an overview of Healthy People and the road ahead. Healthy People is a comprehensive set of national ten-year health objectives and a framework for public health priorities and actions that evolves with each iteration. Plans are now underway to develop the next round of objectives for 2020, the fourth iteration of national health objectives. This is the first year a Secretary's Advisory Committee on National Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Objectives will be involved in the process. This committee, which is made up of members from the public, private, foundation, academic and business settings, was convened in January, 2008 and will advise the *Healthy* People 2020 development process and implementation. Building on the lessons learned from the previous iterations, the Federal Interagency Workgroup, which has been charged with drafting the initial framework and objectives, is starting to wrestle with some of the challenges that were identified in *Healthy People 2010*. Some of the challenges include balancing between an encyclopedic approach and a targeted effort, integrating target setting across all areas, developing and funding data sources, developing an implementation plan with specific strategies, and providing technical assistance.

The approach for *Healthy People 2020* will be a two-stage process. The initial framework will be published in late 2008 or early 2009, and in 2010, the full set of objectives will be published. In order to stay informed as the plans for 2020 move forward, you can (1) join the Healthy People listserve, (2) check www.healthypeople.gov for updates, (3) visit the Summit-on-Demand Library from the National Prevention Summit at http://www.wellness07.com/indexB.htm, (4) or attend the Health People 2020 Regional meetings that will take place in the spring of 2008. In addition, Ms. Martina Vogel-Taylor, OD ODP, is coordinating a meeting that will take place at Natcher on the NIH campus from 12:00-5:00 on March 11, 2008 for those who would like more information.

NHANES UPDATE

Dr. Margaret McDowell, National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), CDC updated the NCC members about the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES).

An NHANES Stakeholder's meeting was held at NCHS on January 10th in Hyattsville. With respect to dietary data collection, NCHS and the Agricultural Research Service (ARS), USDA described the success of the integrated dietary interview component of NHANES and the budget challenges that lie ahead for NHANES 2009 and beyond. The Stakeholders were informed that there is no guarantee that NHANES will be able to continue to collect 2 days of dietary intake data on the entire sample. Unlike the other nutrition components of NHANES, the NHANES dietary interview component has been funded solely by ARS and NCHS.

Dr. Sondik, the NCHS Director, outlined the serious budget issues facing NCHS when he spoke to the NCHS Board of Scientific Advisors on January 23-24th. Dr. Sondik laid out several options he is considering if the 2009 budget falls short and these options are likely to affect NHANES data collection. NHANES competes with other important statistical programs that have also faced budget shortfalls, including the Vital Statistics Program.

Next Steps:

Cliff Johnson, Vicki Burt, and Lisa Broitman plan to visit research groups and NHANES partners to inform them of the budget situation and implications for NHANES 2009 and beyond.

Division of Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys (DHANES) staff will attend the March meeting of the NIH NHANES Nutrition Interest Group.

THIRD CONGRESS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF NUTRIGENETICS/NUTRIGENOMICS (ISNN).

Dr. John Milner, NCI, shared information about a new professional group that was created in the past year, the International Society of Nutrigenetics/ Nutrigenomis (ISNN). It is the purpose of the Society to increase understanding through research and education of professionals and the general public of the role of genetic variation and dietary response and the role of nutrients in gene expression. ISSN held their first meeting in Greece last fall and their second meeting will be held in Geneva, Switzerland on October 6-8, 2008. Their 3rd meeting will likely be held in Washington D.C. in October, 2009.

The president of ISSN, Artemis P. Simopoulos, has expressed interest in having NIH co-fund the 2009 meeting. An NIH planning committee has been formed to explore the opportunities that could come of this meeting. They have only met once so far, so if you have any input to add to the group or would like to be involved, please contact Dr. Milner (John.Milner@nih.hhs.gov).

REPORTS FROM NCC MEMBERS AND LIASONS

Ms. Elaine Trujillo, NCI, reminded the NCC about the upcoming Stars in Nutrition and Cancer lecture that will take place on March 18, 2008 at 3:00 PM. The speaker will be Dr. Martin Wiseman and he will be delivering a talk titled,"Nutrition and Cancer: From Genotype to Phenotype."

Dr. Nobuyo Tsuboyama-Kasaoka, NCI, also informed the NCC about an upcoming workshop. "Frontiers in Cellular Energetics, Diet and Cancer Prevention" will take place on March 12, 2008 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:05 p.m. at Executive Plaza North, C-F room. Please contact Dr. Tsuboyama-Kasaoka for more information (nk157k@nih.gov).

Dr. Dan Raiten, NICHD, provided clarification about an ongoing effort initiated by the World Health Organization (WHO) to look at the global burden of foodborne illness, a topic of great importance in the international nutrition community. WHO

is not seeking funding from NIH, but they would greatly appreciate the input and expertise from various Institutes. Please contact Dr. Raiten if you have any questions or would like to be involved (<u>Daniel.Raiten@nih.hhs.gov</u>).

Dr. Raiten also provided information about a project at NICHD funded by the Gates Foundation to look at the impact of iron supplementation on malaria. The effort is much more than simply a research enterprise and will have a parallel process for integrating new data for WHO. The data will be vetted and evaluated by a technical working group. The end goal is to provide data that will lead to meaningful policy. For more information, please contact Dr. Raiten.

UPDATE FROM THE DHHS OFFICE OF DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION (ODPHP)

Ms. Kathryn McMurry provided several updates from ODPHP.

Physical Activity Guidelines

The final meeting of the Physical Activity Guidelines Advisory Committee will occur on February 28-29 in Room 800 of the Hubert H Humphrey Building. The Committee will discuss the overall conclusions of their review of the science relating physical activity to health. Oral comments from the public will be heard on the second day of the meeting. More information, including the draft agenda and a link to register for the meeting can be found at http://www.health.gov/paguidelines. Because space is limited in Room 800, please register only if you intend to attend the meeting. The report of the Advisory Committee is expected to be completed by the end of March, and the *Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans* will be released by HHS in Fall, 2008.

Dietary Reference Intakes (DRIs)

Review of Dietary Reference Intakes Workshop

The prepublication summary of the joint US/ Canadian workshop that was held in Washington, DC on September 18-20, 2007 is now available, along with slides and audio clips, at www.iom.edu/driworkshop2007. A follow-on project is being sponsored by Health Canada to further distill the learning from the workshop to lay out an interim DRI framework that can be used to guide future updates as well as further refinements to the process.

Nominated Assistant Secretary for Health

On Jan. 17, the President of the United States officially nominated Dr. Joxel Garcia to be the next Assistant Secretary for Health. The President intends to nominate Joxel García, of Connecticut, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service and Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services (Health). In addition, the President intends to nominate Dr. García to be Representative of the United States of America on the Executive Board of the World Health Organization. Dr. García currently serves as Senior Vice President and Senior Medical Advisor at MAXIMUS Federal Services, Inc. Prior to this, he served as Deputy Director of the Pan American Health Organization in the

Regional Office of the World Health Organization for the Western Hemisphere. Earlier in his career, he served as Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Public Health. Dr. García received his degree in pre-medical studies from the University of Puerto Rico, his MD from the Ponce School of Medicine and his MBA from the University of Hartford.

ODS UPDATE

Dr. Paul Coates provided an update of Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) activities.

ODS Practicum: ODS is pleased to announce that it will hold the second Intensive Practicum on Current Issues and Recent Developments in Dietary Supplement Research, from June 9-13, 2008, with most sessions to be held in the Natcher Conference Center. This 5-day intensive practicum will provide a thorough overview and grounding about issues, concepts, unknowns, and controversies about dietary supplements and supplement ingredients. It will also emphasize the importance of scientific investigations to evaluate the efficacy, safety, and value of these products for health promotion and disease prevention, as well as how to carry out this type of research. This practicum is open to faculty and doctoral-level students in all health-related disciplines such as: nutrition, food science, pharmacology and pharmacognosy, exercise/kinetics, medicine, dentistry, nursing, and complementary and alternative medicine. Please distribute this information to grantees and others whom you think would profit from the practicum. NIH staff are welcome to attend, but since space will be limited, please let Dr. Mary Frances Picciano (piccianm@od.nih.gov) or Dr. Paul Thomas (thomaspau@od.nih.gov) know of your intention to participate. Details of the practicum are included in the Appendix C.

Strategic Plan: ODS is embarking on the development of its Strategic Plan for 2010-2014. At the last meeting of the Trans-NIH/Agency Working Group on Dietary Supplements (October 25, 2007), Dr. Coates stressed our need for collaboration with the Working Group members in the future as an important part of the development of the revised ODS Strategic Plan. Specifically, ODS is communicating with the Working Group members and others, soliciting comments on: 1) the current ODS Strategic Plan Goals; 2) current guidelines for ODS programs and activities; 3) future guidelines for IC and Agency co-funding of research; and 4) identification of future research needs and opportunities of mutual interest and priority. These issues will be discussed at the upcoming March 27, 2008 Trans-NIH/Agency Working Group meeting. For further information, please contact Paul Coates (coatesp@od.nih.gov) or Ken Fisher (fisherk@od.nih.gov).

Publication: The February 2008 issue of the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition contains a supplement (no pun intended) entitled "The Science of Botanical Supplements for Human Health". These are the proceedings of a workshop held at last year's Experimental Biology meetings, which featured

presentations from the NIH Botanical Research Centers Program that is jointly funded by ODS and NCCAM. The citation for this supplement is Am J Clin Nutr 2008;87(suppl):465S-513S. For further information about the Centers Program, please contact Dr. Christine Swanson (swanson@od.nih.gov) or Dr. Qi-ying Liu (liuqiy@mail.nih.gov).

UPDATE OF DNRC ACTIVITIES:

Nutrition Education Subcommittee (NES). Dr. Jean Pennington, DNRC, provided a written update of the activities of the NIH NCC NES. Since January 2008, the NES has reviewed 2 documents, both from NIH (one from NHLBI and one from ODS). Materials reviewed since the last NCC meeting are:

- NHLBI Heart Healthy Home Cooking Recipe Book (NHLBI)
- Vitamin D Fact Sheet (ODS)

The DNRC maintains a listing of NIH nutrition education materials on its website (http://dnrc.niddk.nih.gov/nutrition_education/index.shtml); NCC members are requested to check the information on the website and provide any needed changes or new materials to Ms. Karen Regan, DNRC.

HNRIM: Mr. Jim Krebs-Smith, DNRC, reminded the NCC that the formal request for FY07 HNRIM data went out at the beginning of the week. Mr. Krebs-Smith requested the assistance of the NCC representatives to make sure that the appropriate individual at each Institute received the data request. Data submissions should be based on the same definition of nutrition research used as last year. IC HNRIM data submissions should be sent no later than COB Friday, February 29.

Ms. Karen Regan, DNRC, provided an update regarding RCDC and the process of validating the nutrition fingerprint. The nutrition fingerprint went out for a second validity test early last week. RCDC contacts at each Institute have until March 17th to vote on whether or not each project in the sample is defensible as a nutrition project based on the current definition. To correct information given at the meeting: There are 140 pages of nutrition projects, not 140 projects to be evaluated. Total projects to be evaluated by March 17th are 4231.

Dr. Wendy Johnson-Taylor informed the NCC about the upcoming meeting "Decision Making in Eating Behavior: Interacting Perspectives from the Individual, Family, and Environment." The meeting will take place on April 14-15, 2008 at the Lister Hill Center Auditorium on the NIH campus. For more information visit the website, http://www3.niddk.nih.gov/fund/other/decision2008/, or contact Dr. Johnson-Taylor (wendyit@mail.nih.gov).

ACTION ITEM: The DNRC would like to make sure that the information regarding NIH Institute/Center descriptions and future research directions are up to date in the DNRC report: *The National Institutes of Health Program in Biomedical and Behavioral Nutrition Research and Training.* Please visit the following webpage (http://www.dnrc.nih.gov/dnrc/program_93-95/) and click on

the link for your Institute/Center. If you see any changes that should be made, please contact Ms. Karen Regan (Karen.Regan@nih.hhs.gov) by February 28th.

In addition, please view the NCC member list to make sure it is up to date as well:

http://www.dnrc.nih.gov/ncc/member-list.pdf

Please contact Ms. Rachel Fisher if there are any changes that need to be made to this list (Rachel.Fisher@nih.hhs.gov).

NEXT NCC MEETING

The next meeting will be March 6, 2008

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM

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8.	Third Congress of the International Society of Nutrigenetics/Nutrigenomics (ISNN)			
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^{*} Updates will be included in the minutes of the meeting only

APPENDIX B: NCC MEETING ATTENDEES FOR FEBRUARY 7, 2008

	Members Present		Alternates Present	
Chairperson: NIH Members:	V Hubbard	P Starke-Reed		
NCI NHLBI	J Milner D Danford	S Ross		
NIDCR	2 2 3	R Nowjack-Rayner		
NIDDK NINDS		C Miles M Mitler		
NIAID NIGMS	M Plaut	S Somers		
NICHD		G Grave	D Raiten	
NEI NIEHS	E Maull	N Kurinij		
NIA	J Hannah			
NIAMS NIDCD		J McGowan B Wong		
NIMH		W Riley		
NIDA NIAAA		G Lin R Breslow		
NINR		P Cotton		
NCCAM NCRR	K Arora			
FIC		M Levintova		
NHGRI		M.K. Holohan		
NIH Liaison Members:				
CC CIT	N Sebring	J Mahaffey		
CSR NLM		S Kim		
OBSSR	D Olster	S Phillips		
OC ODS	P Coates	M Stern	B Costello	
OD/ODP	B Portnoy		D Costello	
OLPA ORWH				
PRCC		M Vogel-Taylor		
Agency Liaison Rep	resentatives:			
AHRQ		I Mabry-Hernandez	<u>7</u>	
CDC/NCCDPHP CDC/NCHS	D Galuska M McDowell			
FDA HRSA	K Ellwood		S Blakely	
IHS	M Lawler	T Brown		
ODPHP USDA	K McMurry M Kretsch			
DOD	K Friedl			
OPHS				

 $\underline{\mathsf{DNRC}}$: R Fisher, S Frazier, D Johson-James, W Johnson-Taylor, J Krebs-Smith, C McDade-Ngutter, J Pennington, K Regan

<u>Guests:</u> R Bailey (ODS), S Gerrior (USDA CRSEES), J Gibson (Auburn University), S Krebs-Smith (NCI), R Kuczmarski (NIDDK), H McPeak (OS/ODPHP), C Sempos (CSR), T Smith (NIAMS), R Troiano (OS/ODPHP), E Trujillo (NCI), N Tsuboyama-Kasaoka (NCI), E Yetley (ODS), D Vafiadis (USDA/CNPP), and S Welsh (USDA CRSEES).

APPENDIX C: Current Issues and Recent Developments in Dietary Supplement Research: An Intensive Practicum

The Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) is offering a one-week educational opportunity to provide fundamental knowledge of dietary supplements to teachers and their doctoral or post-doctoral students/fellows with a serious interest in this subject. This 5-day intensive practicum will provide a thorough overview and grounding about issues, concepts, unknowns, and controversies about dietary supplements and supplement ingredients. It will also emphasize the importance of scientific investigations to evaluate the efficacy, safety, and value of these products for health promotion and disease prevention and treatment as well as how to carry out this type of research.

Topics to be addressed include supplement use in the United States and reasons for use; the regulatory framework governing supplements; differences in bringing foods, drugs, and supplements to market; supplement quality; assessing the health effects of foods and supplements; and developing policies and advice about supplement use based on science. Participants will also spend a day in Washington DC to meet with various stakeholders—representatives from Congress, professional associations, media, the dietary supplement industry, and consumer advocacy groups—who study, advocate, regulate, or educate about dietary supplements. Participants will also learn about several databases that inform users about research on supplement ingredients, identify the contribution of supplements to total nutrient intakes, and provide data on nutrients and bioactive components in foods.

Eligibility

This practicum is open to faculty and doctoral-level students in all health-related disciplines such as nutrition, food science, pharmacology and pharmacognosy, exercise/kinetics, medicine, dentistry, nursing, and complementary and alternative medicine (CAM). It is our hope that faculty will take the knowledge provided back to their institutions to provide more education on supplement issues, and that students and investigators attending the practicum might consider undertaking research on dietary supplements.

Faculty

The faculty consists of experts from NIH, academic institutions, and federal regulatory agencies such as the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Dates/Times/Location/Costs

The practicum will be held June 9 through June 13, 2008 (Monday through Friday) at the Natcher Building on the main NIH campus in Bethesda, Maryland. Sessions from Monday through Thursday will be held from approximately 8:30am to 5:00pm. Friday's session will run from 8:30am to 12:30pm.

There is no cost to attend the practicum itself. However, room, board, and transportation expenses are the responsibility of each participant. A Metro (subway) stop is conveniently located on the NIH campus; parking for personal autos is available as well.

Registration

Advance registration is required, as space is limited. Initially, a department will be allowed to send up to ONE faculty member and ONE doctoral-level student to this practicum. Let us know if you have other individuals who wish to attend. Depending on the number of final registrants, we may be able to accommodate them.

To register, please mail, email, or fax the following information by March 31:

- * the name(s) and full contact information for each registrant;
- * a curriculum vitae or resumé;
- * a one-page letter outlining why this practicum might be important to you in your career development and/or teaching activities;
- * a one-page letter of support from the relevant professor (if a student) or department chair or dean (if a faculty member).

(Some travel awards may be available; note if you will need one.)

For additional registrants who would like to attend this practicum if space is available, provide the above information as well.

You will be notified by the mid-April if you are accepted. Please apply only if you are sure that you will be able to attend the practicum if accepted for the full 5 days.

Please contact us if you have any questions or would like additional information. Sometime this month we will have a website for the practicum (accessible from our main website at http://dietary-supplements.info.nih.gov). The website will provide a detailed agenda and additional relevant information.

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