

Department of Health and Human Services  
National Institutes of Health  
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke

**National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NANDS) Council  
219<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

**May 31 and June 1, 2023**

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## **AGENDA**

**Wednesday, May 31, 2023**

### **OPEN SESSION**

12:30 p.m.	<b>I. Call to Order and Opening Remarks</b> Dr. Walter Koroshetz, Chairperson Director, NINDS
12:35 p.m.	<b>II. Report of the Director, Division of Extramural Activities, NINDS</b> Dr. Robert Finkelstein Associate Director, Division of Extramural Activities Executive Secretary, NANDS Council  A. Consideration of February 1-2, 2023, Meeting Minutes B. Confirmation of Dates for Future Council Meetings Wed & Thurs, May 31, 2023 – June 1, 2023 Wed & Thurs, September 6-7, 2023 Wed & Thurs, February 14-15, 2024 Wed & Thurs, May 15-16, 2024 Wed & Thurs, September 4-5, 2024  New dates added: Wed & Thurs, February 12-13, 2025 Wed & Thurs, May 14-15, 2025 Wed & Thurs, September 3-4, 2025 C. Other Items Expedited Review Process Extramural Announcements
12:45 p.m.	<b>III. Report of the Director, NINDS</b> Dr. Walter Koroshetz
1:05 p.m.	<b>IV. Discussion of Director's Report</b>

1:30 p.m.	<p><b>V. BRAIN Initiative Update and Council Discussion</b></p> <p>Dr. John Ngai (Virtual) Director, BRAIN Initiative</p>
2:00 p.m.	<p><b>VI. Blueprint MedTech Summary</b></p> <p>Dr. Nick Langhals Program Director, Blueprint MedTech</p>
2:15 p.m.	<b>BREAK</b>
2:30 p.m.	<p><b>VII. NIH Health Equities Strategic Plan Update</b></p> <p>Dr. Richard Benson Director, Office of Global Health and Health Disparities</p> <p><b>Health Equity Research in Neuroscience (HERN) Initiative</b></p> <p>Dr. Cheryse Sankar Program Director, Office of Global Health and Health Disparities</p>
3:15 p.m.	<b>VIII. Initiatives for Concept Clearance</b>
3:30 p.m.	<p><b>IX. Analyses of Demographic-Specific Funding Rates for Type 1 Research Project Grant and R01-Equivalent Applications</b></p> <p>Dr. Michelle Jones-London Chief, Office of Programs to Enhance Neuroscience Workforce Diversity (OPEN-WD)</p> <p>Dr. Michael Lauer Deputy Director, National Institutes of Health Extramural Research</p> <p>Dr. Marie A. Bernard Chief Officer, National Institutes of Health Scientific Workforce Diversity</p>

\* There will be a short break to permit transition into closed session

## CLOSED SESSION

This portion of the meeting is being closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. §§ 1001-1014 and Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2).

4:35 p.m.	<p><b>X. Review of Conflict of Interest, Confidentiality, and Council Procedures;</b></p> <p>Dr. Robert Finkelstein Executive Secretary, NANS Council</p>
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6:00 p.m.	<b>XI. Adjournment</b>
<b>Thursday, June 1, 2023</b>	
<b>CLOSED SESSION, continued.</b>	
9:30 a.m.	<b>XII. Review of Conflict of Interest, Confidentiality, and Council Procedures;  Council Consideration of Pending Applications (<i>Continued from previous day</i>)</b> Dr. Robert Finkelstein Executive Secretary, NANS Council
12:30 p.m.	<b>XIII. Adjournment</b> (*This time is tentative.)

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