



DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2021-0001]

National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NACOSH);

Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Request for nominations.

SUMMARY: OSHA invites interested persons to submit nominations for membership on the National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NACOSH).

DATES: Nominations for NACOSH membership must be submitted (postmarked, sent, transmitted or received) by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF

PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: You may submit nominations and supporting materials by one of the following methods:

Electronically: You may submit nominations, including attachments, electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov>, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the online instructions for making submissions.

OSHA will place comments and requests for a hearing, including personal information, in the public docket, which will be available online. Therefore OSHA cautions interested parties about submitting personal information such as Social Security numbers and birthdates.

Docket: To read or download comments or other material in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index; however, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download through this website. All

submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection through the OSHA Docket Office. Contact the OSHA Docket Office for assistance in locating docket submissions.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary of Labor (Secretary) invites interested individuals to submit nominations for membership on NACOSH.

I. Background

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act) (29 U.S.C. §§ 651, 656) established NACOSH to advise, consult with, and make recommendations to the Secretary and the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS Secretary) on matters relating to the administration of the OSH Act. NACOSH is a continuing advisory committee of indefinite duration.

NACOSH operates in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App. 2), implementing regulations (41 CFR part 102-3), the OSH Act, and OSHA's regulations on NACOSH (29 CFR part 1912a).

The Committee shall meet at least two times a year (29 U.S.C. § 656(a)(2)). Committee members serve without compensation, but OSHA provides travel and per diem expenses. NACOSH members serve staggered terms, unless the member becomes

unable to serve, resigns, ceases to be qualified to serve, or is removed by the Secretary.

The terms of six NACOSH members expire on July 31, 2021.

II. NACOSH Membership

NACOSH is comprised of 12 members, all of whom the Secretary appoints. Accordingly, the Secretary seeks six committed members to serve a two-year term. If a vacancy occurs before a term expires, the Secretary may appoint a new member who represents the same interest as the predecessor to serve the remainder of the unexpired term. The U.S. Department of Labor (Department) is committed to equal opportunity in the workplace and seeks a broad-based and diverse NACOSH membership. The Department will conduct a public records check of nominees before their appointment using publicly available sources.

Nominations of new members, or resubmissions of current or former members, will be accepted in all categories of membership. Interested persons may nominate themselves or submit the name of another person whom they believe to be interested in and qualified to serve on NACOSH. Nominations may also be submitted by organizations from one of the categories listed.

OSHA invites nominations for the following NACOSH positions:

- Two (2) public representatives;
- One (1) management representative;
- One (1) labor representative;
- One (1) occupational safety professional representative; and
- One (1) occupational health professional representative.

Pursuant to 29 CFR 1912a.2, the HHS Secretary designates both of the occupational health professional representatives and two of the four public representatives for the Secretary's consideration and appointment. OSHA will provide to

HHS all nominations and supporting materials for the membership categories the HHS Secretary designates.

III. Submission Requirements

Any individual or organization may nominate one or more qualified persons for membership on NACOSH. Nominations must include the following information:

1. The nominee's name, contact information, and current employment or position;
2. The nominee's resume or curriculum vitae, including prior membership on NACOSH and other relevant organizations and associations;
3. The categories that the nominee is qualified to represent;
4. A summary of the background, experience, and qualifications that address the nominee's suitability for membership;
5. A list of articles or other documents the nominee has authored that indicates the nominee's experience in worker safety and health; and
6. A statement that the nominee is aware of the nomination, is willing to regularly attend and participate in NACOSH meetings, and has no conflicts of interest that would preclude membership on NACOSH.

OSHA will conduct a basic background check of candidates before their appointment to NACOSH. The background check will involve accessing publicly available, internet-based sources.

IV. Member Selection

The Secretary of Labor will select six NACOSH members based on their experience, knowledge, and competence in the field of occupational safety and health (29 CFR 1912a.2). Nominees will also be evaluated in accordance with Secretary's Order 10-2020 (85 FR 71104) to ensure they are sufficiently financially independent from the Department programs and activities for which they may be called upon to provide advice.

Information received through this nomination process, in addition to other relevant sources of information, will assist the Secretary of Labor in appointing members NACOSH. In selecting NACOSH members, the Secretary will consider individuals nominated in response to this *Federal Register* notice, as well as other qualified individuals. OSHA will publish a list of NACOSH members in the *Federal Register*.

AUTHORITY AND SIGNATURE:

Amanda Edens, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, authorized the preparation of this notice under the authority granted by 29 U.S.C. § 656; 5 U.S.C. App. 2; 29 CFR Part 1912a; 41 CFR part 102-3; and Secretary of Labor's Order No. 8-2020 (85 FR 58393, Sept. 18, 2020).

Signed at Washington, DC, on March 3, 2021.

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