



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is seeking nominations for membership on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). The ACIP consists of up to 19 experts that collectively represent a balanced range of scientific, clinical, and public health expertise relevant to the Committee's mission, including person(s) knowledgeable about consumer perspectives and/or social and community aspects of immunization programs.

DATES: Nominations for membership on the ACIP must be received no later than December 31, 2026. Submissions received after this time will not be considered for the current membership cycle.

ADDRESSES: All nomination forms and additional required documents should be emailed to ACIP@cdc.gov with the subject line: "ACIP Nomination Application". The ACIP nomination form and instructions can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/acip/apply-for-membership/index.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: ACIP Secretariat, Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop H21-12, Atlanta, Georgia 30329-4027. Email: ACIP@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices

(ACIP) is charged with advising the Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), regarding the use of vaccines and related immunobiologic agents for the prevention and control of vaccine-preventable diseases in the United States, including identifying areas where additional data or evaluation would inform future recommendations regarding such vaccines and immunizations. In addition, under 42 U.S.C. 1396s, the Committee is mandated to establish and periodically review and, as appropriate, revise the list of vaccines for administration to vaccine-eligible children through the Vaccines for Children program, along with schedules regarding dosing interval, dosage, and contraindications to administration of vaccines.

Nominations are sought for individuals who have the expertise and qualifications necessary to contribute to the accomplishment of the objective of the ACIP. Nominees will be selected to represent a balanced range of scientific, clinical, and public health expertise relevant to the Committee's mission, including person(s) knowledgeable about consumer perspectives and/or social and community aspects of immunization programs. Federal employees will not be considered for membership. Members may be invited to serve for up to four-year terms. Selection of members is based on candidates' qualifications to contribute to the accomplishment of ACIP objectives.

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) policy stipulates that committee membership be balanced in terms of points of view represented and the committee's function. Appointments shall be made free from discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, or other protected status, consistent with applicable law and Departmental policy. Nominees cannot be full-time employees of the U.S. Government. Preference is given to U.S. citizens; nominations from non-U.S. citizens are handled on a case-by-case basis. Current participation on Federal workgroups or prior experience serving on a Federal advisory committee does not disqualify a candidate; however, HHS policy is to avoid excessive individual service on advisory committees and multiple committee memberships. Committee members are Special Government Employees, requiring the filing of financial

disclosure reports at the beginning of and annually during their terms. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reviews potential candidates for ACIP membership and provides a slate of nominees for consideration to the Secretary of HHS for final selection. HHS notifies selected candidates of their appointment near the start of their term, or as soon as the HHS selection process is completed. Note that the need for different expertise varies from year to year and a candidate who is not selected in one year may be reconsidered in a subsequent year. Candidates should email the following materials to ACIP@cdc.gov with the subject line: “ACIP Nomination Application”.

- ACIP Nomination Form, which can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/acip/apply-for-membership/index.html>
- Current curriculum vitae (CV), including complete contact information (telephone numbers, mailing address, email address). CVs should include candidates’ education, training, board certification and career history and list main areas of employment or other relevant activity and public appointments, if any. CVs should also include details of any relevant academic or professional qualifications.
- At least one letter of recommendation from person(s) not employed by HHS. Candidates may also submit letter(s) from current HHS employees if they wish (excluding CDC employees), but at least one letter must be submitted by a person not employed by an HHS agency (i.e., National Institutes of Health, Food and Drug Administration).

Nominations may be submitted by the candidate or by the person/organization recommending the candidate.

The Director, Office of Strategic Business Initiatives, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, has been delegated the authority to sign *Federal Register* notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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