

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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**226th Meeting of the
NATIONAL DIABETES and DIGESTIVE and KIDNEY DISEASES ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**DIVISION OF DIGESTIVE DISEASES and NUTRITION SUBCOMMITTEE
Meeting Summary**

**Wednesday, September 11, 2024
Hybrid Meeting**

Open Session

- 1) Dr. David Saslowsky opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and reviewed the meeting agenda.
- 2) Dr. Stephen James introduced and welcomed new council member Dr. Patricia Birsic from the National Pancreas Foundation.
- 3) The minutes of the May 8, 2024, subcommittee meeting were approved.
- 4) There were no DDDN Initiative Concept Clearances to discuss.
- 5) Dr. Saslowsky led a discussion reviewing topics covered during the Full NIDDK Council Session.
- 6) Dr. Ludmilla Pawlikowska presented the project *Leveraging Common Data Elements to enhance clinical research, healthcare access and outcomes in inflammatory bowel diseases*.
- 7) Dr. Saslowsky reviewed twelve DDDN Funding Opportunity Announcements and reminded everyone that current NIDDK funding opportunities can be found at <https://www.niddk.nih.gov/research-funding/current-opportunities>.
 - a) RFA-DK-25-019 The Chronic Pancreatitis Clinical Research Consortium (CPCRC)-Clinical Centers (CPCRC-CCs) (U01 Clinical Trial Optional)
 - b) RFA-DK-25-020 Single Source for Chronic Pancreatitis Clinical Research Consortium (CPCRC) Data Coordinating Center (CPCRC-DCC) (U01 Clinical Trial Optional)
 - c) RFA-DK-25-017 Limited Competition for the Continuation of Type 1 Diabetes in Acute Pancreatitis Consortium -Clinical Centers (T1DAPC-CCs) (U01 Clinical Trial Optional)
 - d) RFA-DK0-25-018 Single Source for the Continuation of the Type 1 Diabetes in Acute Pancreatitis Consortium -Data Coordinating Center (T1DAPC-DCC) (U01 Clinical Trial Optional)
 - e) RFA-DK-25-007 Nutrition Obesity Research Centers (P30 Clinical Trial Optional)
 - f) RFA-DK-25-011 Nutrition Obesity Research Centers Research Resource Center (RRC) (P2C-Clinical Trial Optional)

NIDDK Loan Repayment Program Funding Announcements:

 - g) NOT-OD-24-137 Extramural Loan Repayment Program for Research in Emerging Areas Critical to Human Health (LRP-REACH)
 - h) L30: NOT-OD-23-142: Extramural Loan Repayment Program for Clinical Researchers (LRP-CR)
 - i) L32: NOT-OD-23-146: Extramural Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds (LRP-IDB)
 - j) L40: NOT-OD-23-143: Extramural Loan Repayment Program for Pediatric Research (LRP-PR)
 - k) L60: NOT-OD-23-144: Extramural Loan Repayment Program for Health Disparities Research (LRP-HDR)
 - l) L70: NOT-OD-23-145: Extramural Loan Repayment Program for Research in Emerging Areas Critical to Human Health (LRP-REACH)

- 8) Planned Workshop: The *Equipping a Diverse and Resilient NIDDK Workforce* workshop will be held at the Neuroscience Center in Bethesda, MD on September 26-27, 2024. The goals of the workshop includes identifying biomedical career paths and skills needed to meet demands of the biomedical workforce; understand how graduate training programs may or may not align with longer term goals of trainees; understand barriers for grad students or early-career scholars, and those from diverse backgrounds and lastly, inform creative strategies for scientific training, networking, mentorship, and sponsorship to provide inclusive support and allow trainees to capitalize on their life learnings.
- 9) Completed Workshops:
 - a) The *Heterogeneity in Pancreatitis: Recognizing Heterogeneity and Its role in the Management of Pancreatitis* workshop was held as a hybrid meeting online and in-person at the Westin Cincinnati Hotel in Cincinnati, OH on July 24, 2024. A conference summary manuscript has been prepared for publication.
 - b) The *Impact of Diet on Mucosal Immunity and Immune-mediated Digestive Diseases* workshop was held at the NIAID Conference Center Grand Hall in Rockville, MD on August 21-22, 2024. The workshop has been archived at <https://videocast.nih.gov/watch=54967>.

Closed Session

- 1) Dr. Stephen James reminded council members of the NIDDK confidentiality and conflict of interest policies.
- 2) The following were reviewed:
 - a) NIDDK Extramural Updates: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-22-049.html>
 - b) Final FY 2024 Funding Plan (The FY2025 Funding Plan is pending)
 - c) Competing Applications
 - d) Council Action Items: There were two applicants with >\$2M in NIH funding (total costs) requiring special council review. There were no appeals, foreign applications, special emphasis awards, or restorations to discuss.

Dr. James thanked everyone for attending both in-person and via webinar. Comments and critiques regarding discussion topics and initiatives from council members are welcome and should be emailed to Drs. James and Saslowsky in advance of the next council meeting scheduled for January 29, 2025.