

Meeting of the Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee

November 10, 2009

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Meeting of the IACC

Morning Agenda

- 8:30** Registration
- 9:00** Call to Order and Opening Remarks
- 9:10** Public Comments
- 9:30** Approval of October 23, 2009 IACC Full Committee Minutes
- 9:40** Consideration of Strategies for Updating the Strategic Plan
- 9:50** IACC Discussion of Strategies for Updating the Strategic Plan
- 10:30** Break
- 10:45** Recommendations for Updating the Strategic Plan:
Discussion and Votes
 - Questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and Infrastructure Items
- 12:00** Lunch Break

Consideration of Strategies for Updating the Strategic Plan

**IACC Full Committee Meeting
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The IACC Strategic Plan for ASD Research

**Mission: “Focus, coordinate, and
accelerate... discovery”**

What will the Plan do?

- Guide the research community
- Identify gaps and opportunities for funders
- Coordinate Federal and non-Federal efforts
- Guide the advocacy community

Annual Update of the Plan

- Required by the Combating Autism Act
- Based on Summary of Advances, scientific workshop, portfolio analysis, public comment
- First update addresses deferred issues
- First update will develop updating process for subsequent years
- Annual updates may reflect:
 - Changing membership in IACC
 - Advances in science

Issues to Consider

Tweaking vs. Re-writing

- Will changing the objectives annually guide or confuse the research community?
- Will adding many new objectives “focus, coordinate, and accelerate” research or lead to less focus and slower progress?
- How many of the original objectives have been completed?
- Do we change the grain size of the objectives?

Issues to Consider

Balancing Science and Service

- Can the plan focus on “discovery” and “scientific excellence”, but also deliver on “urgency” and “consumer-focus”?
- Are the objectives designed to be accountable - defined as SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Time-bound)?
- Do we need a separate plan for services?

Open Session for Public Comment

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Afternoon Agenda

- 1:00** Recommendations for Updating the Strategic Plan: Discussion and Votes
– Continued
- 3:00** Break
- 3:15** Recommendations for Updating the Strategic Plan: Discussion and Votes
– Continued
- 5:00** Closing Comments and Adjournment

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