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## ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

### Notice of Public Meeting of the Assembly of the Administrative Conference of the United States

**AGENCY:** Administrative Conference of the United States

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Assembly of the Administrative Conference of the United States will meet during a one-day hybrid plenary session to consider four proposed recommendations and to conduct other business. Written comments may be submitted in advance, and the meeting will be accessible to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place on Thursday, June 13, 2024, from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. The meeting may adjourn early if all business is concluded prior to the stated end time.

**ADDRESSES:** For those attending in person, the meeting will be held at The George Washington University Law School in the Jacob Burns Moot Court Room, 2000 H Street NW, Washington, DC 20052. There will be a virtual attendance option. Information on how the public can access the meeting will be available on the agency's website prior to the meeting at <https://www.acus.gov/event/81st-plenary-session>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shawne McGibbon, General Counsel (Designated Federal Officer), Administrative Conference of the United States, Suite 706 South, 1120 20th Street NW, Washington, DC 20036; telephone 202–480–2080; email [smcgibbon@acus.gov](mailto:smcgibbon@acus.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Administrative Conference of the United States makes recommendations to Federal agencies, the President, Congress, and the Judicial Conference of the United States regarding the

improvement of administrative procedures (5 U.S.C. 594). The membership of the Conference, when meeting in plenary session, constitutes the Assembly of the Conference (5 U.S.C. 595).

*Agenda:* Four proposed recommendations will be considered by the Assembly. In addition, there will be updates on past, current, and pending Conference initiatives, as well as other business. Summaries of the recommendations appear below:

*Choice of Forum for Judicial Review of Agency Rules.* This proposed recommendation identifies a principle that should guide Congress in choosing the appropriate forum for judicial review of agency rules. It also recommends that Congress provide that district courts apply district-wide assignment to certain civil actions seeking to bar or mandate enforcement of federal agency rules or policies and identifies common statutory ambiguities that Congress should avoid in drafting new or amending existing recommendations.

*Individualized Guidance.* This proposed recommendation examines best practices to promote fairness, accuracy, and efficiency in agency processes for providing written guidance in response to requests for advice from members of the public. It addresses processes for members of the public to request individualized guidance from agencies; agency practices for drafting responses to such requests, including the personnel involved and mechanisms to ensure accuracy and consistency; the public availability of individualized guidance documents; and policies regarding whether and when agencies should allow members of the public to rely on individualized guidance.

*Participation of Senate-Confirmed Officials in Administrative Adjudication.* This proposed recommendation examines, as a legal and practical matter, whether, when, how, and how often agency heads and other Senate-confirmed officials participate in the adjudication of cases across a range of federal administrative programs. For agencies that have decided to provide or are considering providing for participation by Senate-confirmed officials in the adjudication of individual cases, the proposed recommendation identifies principles

and practicalities that agencies should consider in structuring such participation and provides best practices for developing and communicating relevant policies regarding such participation. This proposed recommendation does not address whether agencies should, for constitutional or other reasons, provide for participation by Senate-confirmed officials in specific programs.

*Congressional Constituent Service Inquiries.* This proposed recommendation examines how federal agencies receive, process, and respond to congressional inquiries made on behalf of constituents who need assistance accessing federal programs or navigating adjudicative and other similar administrative processes. It identifies best practices for agencies to promote quality, efficiency, and timeliness in their procedures for responding to such inquiries. Among other topics, the proposed recommendation addresses the scope, content, internal dissemination, and public availability of these procedures where adopted.

Additional information about the proposals and the agenda, as well as any changes or updates to the same, can be found at the 81st Plenary Session page on the Conference's website prior to the start of the meeting at: <https://www.acus.gov/event/81st-plenary-session>.

*Public Participation:* The Conference welcomes the virtual attendance of the public at the meeting. Members of the public wishing to view the meeting are asked to RSVP online at the 81st Plenary Session web page shown above no later than two days before the meeting to ensure adequate bandwidth and accessibility. A link to a livestream of the meeting will be posted the morning of the meeting on the 81st Plenary Session web page. A video recording of the meeting will be available on the Conference's website shortly after the conclusion of the event at [https://youtube.com/channel/UC1Gu44Jq1U7XsGdC9Tfl\\_zA](https://youtube.com/channel/UC1Gu44Jq1U7XsGdC9Tfl_zA).

*Written Comments:* Persons who wish to comment on any of the proposed recommendations may do so by submitting a written statement either by email to [info@acus.gov](mailto:info@acus.gov) with "June 2024 Plenary Session Comments" in the subject line of the email, or by U.S. Mail addressed to: June 2024 Plenary Session

Comments, Administrative Conference of the United States, Suite 706 South, 1120 20th Street NW, Washington, DC 20036. Written submissions must be received no later than 10:00 a.m. (EDT), Friday, June 7, 2024, to ensure consideration by the Assembly.

(Authority: 5 U.S.C. 595)

Dated: May 16, 2024.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Food Safety and Inspection Service

[FSIS-2024-0011]

#### National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods: Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, FSIS is announcing that the National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods (NACMCF) will hold a virtual public meeting on June 24, 2024. The Committee will provide updates on FSIS' Genomics charge and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA's) *Cronobacter spp.* in Powdered Infant Formula charge.

**DATES:** The full Committee will hold a virtual public plenary meeting on Monday, June 24, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. EST. Attendance is free but pre-registration by Wednesday, June 19, 2024, is requested.

The deadline to submit written comments is Wednesday, June 19, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** The plenary meeting will be held virtually using Webex. Attendees must pre-register at <https://events.intellor.com/?do=register&t=7&p=508211> to receive a join link, dial-in number, access code, and unique Attendee ID for the plenary meeting. Persons interested in providing oral comments at the Monday, June 24, 2024, plenary meeting should indicate so when registering. Oral comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker.

An American Sign Language interpreter will be present online during the meeting and attendees will also have the option to turn on closed captions.

For more information on the NACMCF charges, visit: <https://www.fsis.usda.gov/policy/advisory-committees/national-advisory-committee-microbiological-criteria-foods-nacmcf>.

[www.fsis.usda.gov/policy/advisory-committees/national-advisory-committee-microbiological-criteria-foods-nacmcf](https://www.fsis.usda.gov/policy/advisory-committees/national-advisory-committee-microbiological-criteria-foods-nacmcf).

Written comments may be submitted by one of the following methods:

**Federal eRulemaking Portal:** This website provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field on the web page or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions at that site for submitting comments.

**Mail:** Send to Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Mailstop 3758, Washington, DC 20250-3700.

**Hand- or Courier-Delivered Submittals:** Deliver to 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Jamie L. Whitten Building, Room 350-E, Washington, DC 20250-3700.

**Instructions:** All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the agency name and docket number FSIS-2024-0011. Comments made in response to the docket will be made available for public inspection and posted without change, including any personal information, to <https://www.regulations.gov>.

**Docket:** For access to background documents or comments received, call 202-720-5046 to schedule a time to visit the FSIS Docket Room at 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250.

**Agenda:** FSIS will finalize an agenda on or before the meeting date and post it on the FSIS web page at <https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/newsroom/meetings>. Please note that the meeting agenda is subject to change; thus, sessions could end earlier or later than anticipated. Please plan accordingly if you would like to attend this meeting or participate in the oral public comment period.

The official transcript of the June 24, 2024, plenary meeting, when it becomes available, will be posted on FSIS' website at <https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/data-collectionand-reports/nacmcf/meetings/nacmcfmeetings>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kristal Southern, USDA, FSIS, Office of Public Health Science, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 1128, Washington, DC 20250; Email: [NACMCF@usda.gov](mailto:NACMCF@usda.gov); Telephone: 202-578-4756.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

The NACMCF was established in 1988, in response to a recommendation

of the National Academy of Sciences for an interagency approach to microbiological criteria for foods, and in response to a recommendation of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Appropriations, as expressed in the Rural Development, Agriculture, and Related Agencies Appropriation Bill for fiscal year 1988. The charter for the NACMCF is available for viewing at <https://www.fsis.usda.gov/policy/advisory-committees/national-advisory-committee-microbiological-criteria-foods-nacmcf>. The NACMCF provides impartial scientific advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Health and Human Services on public health issues relative to the safety and wholesomeness of the U.S. food supply, including development of microbiological criteria and review and evaluation of epidemiological and risk assessment data and methodologies for assessing microbiological hazards in foods. The Committee also provides scientific advice and recommendations to the Departments of Commerce and Defense. The Committee reports to the Secretary of Agriculture through the Under Secretary for Food Safety, the Committee's Chair, and to the Secretary of Health and Human Services through the Assistant Secretary for Health, the Committee's Vice-Chair. Currently, Dr. Emilio Esteban, Under Secretary for Food Safety, USDA, is the Committee Chair; Dr. Donald Prater, Acting Director of the Food and Drug Administration's Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN), is the Vice-Chair; and Dr. Kristal Southern, USDA FSIS, is the Director of the NACMCF Executive Secretariat and Designated Federal Officer.

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