

## 2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: Literature Selection Technical Review Committee

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### 1. Department or Agency

Department of Health and Human  
Services

### 2. Fiscal Year

2024

### 3. Committee or Subcommittee

Literature Selection Technical Review  
Committee

### 3b. GSA

### Committee No.

910

### 4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
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No 11/01/2022 11/01/2024

### 8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

### 8b. Specific Termination Authority

### 8c. Actual Term Date

No

### 9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

### 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

### 10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

### 11. Establishment Authority Authorized by Law

### 12. Specific Establishment Authority

42 U.S.C. 282(b)(16)

### 13. Effective Date

11/04/1985

### 14. Committee Type

Continuing

### 14c. Presidential?

No

### 15. Description of Committee Other Committee

### 16a. Total

### Number of Reports

No Reports for  
this Fiscal Year

### 17a.

Open

0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0

### Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

Current Next  
FY FY

<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00 \$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00 \$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00 \$0.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00 \$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00 \$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00 \$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00 \$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00 \$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00 \$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$0.00 \$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.00 0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The Committee reviews journals that have applied to be indexed in MEDLINE and makes recommendations to the National Library of Medicine (NLM) regarding their scientific quality.

The Committee evaluates journals based on 5 critical elements as described on the Journal Selection for MEDLINE page:

[https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medline/medline\\_journal\\_selection.html](https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medline/medline_journal_selection.html).

The Committee reviewed a total of 156 journals in FY 2023 that passed the initial application screening stage. Final statistics regarding

MEDLINE journal selection are available publicly:

[https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medline/medline\\_statistics.html](https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medline/medline_statistics.html).

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

The Committee consists of members from authorities knowledgeable in the various disciplines and fields relating to biomedicine and scholarly communication, such as physicians, researchers, educators, editors, health science librarians, and historians.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

The Committee meets three times a year to review and recommend journals for inclusion in MEDLINE. Three meetings were held during FY 2023, on October 27-28, 2022, February 23-24, 2023, and June 22-23, 2023. The committee plans to hold three meetings in FY2024.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

Hundreds of biomedical journals apply to be indexed in MEDLINE annually. It is important to have an impartial committee which is composed of experts in biomedical and behavioral fields and scientific writing to advise the Library on which journals should be indexed to provide accurate, useful research and clinical information, ensuring adequate geographic and subject representation. There is no other NIH group that can provide this impartial journal review.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

The meetings of the Literature Selection Technical Review Committee were closed to the public for the review and discussion of individual journals for potential inclusion in the NLM publications database. The presence of individuals associated with individual journals could hinder fair and open

discussion and evaluation by Committee members, and the meetings were, therefore, closed under Section 552(c)(9)(B) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

## 21. Remarks

Committee Function: Other - Journal Review. The Committee Decision Maker and Designated Federal Official are the same individual based on assigned duties within NLM. Reports: This committee did not produce any reports. Dr. Armand Matheny Antommara became the new Chair in FY23. In 2022, after an OGC review of IRG and SEP charters, it was determined that this committee would now be considered a Program Advisory Committee (PAC) and no longer exempt from renewal.

## Designated Federal Officer

DIANNE BABSKI ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR,  
LIBRARY OPERATIONS, NLM

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
ADAMS NEWMAN, ERIKA	07/01/2021	06/30/2025	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SURGERY, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
			PROFESSOR OF CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL AND MATERIALS ENGINEERING, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
ALCANTAR, NORMA	07/01/2022	06/30/2026	PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY, REED COLLEGE	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
ANDERSON, KRISTEN	07/01/2023	06/30/2027	ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ORAL BIOLOGY, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT BUFFALO	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
ARANY, PRAVEEN	07/01/2022	06/30/2026		

ARENAS-GAMBOA, ANGELA	07/01/2020	06/30/2024	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF VETERINARY PATHOLOGY, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
BAPTISTE, DIANA-LYN	07/01/2023	06/30/2027	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, CARDIOVASCULAR AND CHRONIC CARE, JOHNS HOPKINS SCHOOL OF NURSING	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
BLACK, ERIK	07/01/2022	06/30/2026	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PEDIATRICS AND EDUCATION, UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
DIBARTOLA, STEPHEN	07/01/2021	06/30/2025	EMERITUS PROFESSOR OF VETERINARY MEDICINE, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
ELDREDGE, JONATHAN	07/01/2021	06/30/2025	PROFESSOR OF FAMILY MEDICINE, UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
GREENBLUM, SHARON	07/01/2020	06/30/2024	RESEARCH SCIENTIST, LAWRENCE BERKELEY LABORATORIES	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
MATHNEY-ANTOMMARIA, ARMAND	07/01/2020	06/30/2024	PROFESSOR OF PEDIATRICS, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
SHARMA, NUTAN	07/01/2021	06/30/2025	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF NEUROLOGY, MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
SOSA, JULIE	07/01/2022	06/30/2026	CHAIR OF SURGERY, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

WANG, WEIQUN	07/01/2023	06/30/2027	PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR, GRADUATE PROGRAM, KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
YOUNG, HENRY	07/01/2020	06/30/2024	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CLINICAL PHARMACY, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 15**

### Narrative Description

The Literature Selection Technical Review Committee supports the agency's mission by reviewing journals and providing recommendations as whether they should be indexed and included in MEDLINE. The Committee's recommendation is based on a journal's scientific content, quality, importance, editorial policies, and subject matter. The Committee evaluates journals based on 5 critical elements as described on the Journal Selection for MEDLINE webpage:

[https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medline/medline\\_journal\\_selection.html](https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medline/medline_journal_selection.html)

### What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if  
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### Outcome Comments

Journal review for indexing in MEDLINE and Index Medicus.

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

- |                            |                                     |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None                       | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Unable to Determine        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Under \$100,000            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$100,000 - \$500,000      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Over \$10,000,000          | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Cost Savings Other         | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**Cost Savings Comments**

NIH supported basic and clinical research accomplishments often take many years to unfold into new diagnostic tests and new ways to treat and prevent diseases.

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

2,142

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

The Committee reviewed a total of 156 journals in FY 2023 that passed the initial application screening stage.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

100%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

The percentage of recommendations implemented stated above was developed at the time the Annual Comprehensive Review report was prepared. Final statistics regarding MEDLINE journal selection are available publicly from:

[https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medline/medline\\_statistics.html](https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medline/medline_statistics.html).

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

0%

### **% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

There are no journals that are partially implemented.

### **Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

### **Agency Feedback Comments**

The committee reviews and recommends to the NLM Director journals for inclusion in MEDLINE. The public may obtain information at the following webpage:

[https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medline/medline\\_journal\\_selection.html](https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medline/medline_journal_selection.html) for more information.

### **What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### **Action Comments**

Based on number of journals indexed and possible addition of resources to handle additional workload.

### **Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

### **Grant Review Comments**

N/A

### **How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



Online GSA FACA Web Site



Publications



Other



### **Access Comments**

Contact the National Library of Medicine Committee Management Office.