

# 2026 Current Fiscal Year Report: National Advisory Council on Aging

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<b>1. Department or Agency</b>	<b>2. Fiscal Year</b>
Department of Health and Human Services	2026
<b>3. Committee or Subcommittee</b>	<b>3b. GSA Committee No.</b>
National Advisory Council on Aging	945

<b>4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>5. Current Charter</b>	<b>6. Expected Renewal Date</b>	<b>7. Expected Term Date</b>
No	11/30/2023	11/30/2025	

<b>8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>8b. Specific Termination Authority</b>	<b>8c. Actual Term Date</b>
No		

<b>9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year</b>	<b>10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?</b>	<b>10b. Legislation Pending?</b>
Continue	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

**11. Establishment Authority** Statutory (Congress Created)

<b>12. Specific Establishment Authority</b>	<b>13. Effective Date</b>	<b>14. Committee Type</b>	<b>14c. Presidential?</b>
42 U.S.C. 284a	11/20/1985	Continuing	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

	<b>Current</b>	<b>Next</b>
	<b>FY</b>	<b>FY</b>

<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
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<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. Administrative Costs (FRNs, contractor support, In-person/hybrid/virtual meetings)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Other (all other funds not captured by any other cost category)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18e. Total Costs</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?**

Section 492 of the PHS Act states that The Secretary ... shall by regulation require appropriate technical and scientific peer review of -- (A) applications...; and (B)...biomedical and behavioral research and development contracts... This Council is composed of both scientific and public members who provide the second level of peer review; advise on policy development, program implementation and evaluation; and research needs and opportunities of the Institute. The Council reviewed the Behavioral and Social Research Program; the Biology of Aging Program;

the Neuroscience and Neuropsychology of Aging Program; the Geriatrics and Clinical Gerontology Program; and the NIA Intramural Research Program. Council also agreed to undertake a review of minority aging research within the NIA, with a focus on science and training. The Council reviewed 14,362 applications requesting \$28,660,684,798.00.

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

The National Advisory Council on Aging is composed of not more than 18 appointed members with research interests and responsibilities paralleling those of the National Institute on Aging. Two-thirds of the appointed members are leaders in the health and scientific disciplines, in the areas of biological, medical, behavioral and social sciences relating to aging and public health. One-third of the appointed members from the general public include leaders in the fields of public policy, law, health policy, economics and management. The Council will also consist of at least six federal members who will serve as ex officios.

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

Meetings are held not less than three times each fiscal year. The National Advisory Council on Aging provides advice on a continuing basis on the type of scientific research programs that should be supported and on how to carry out the designated mission and responsibilities of the Institute. It also provides ongoing review of the relevance and effectiveness of the existing programs.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this**

### **committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

The National Advisory Council on Aging is composed of both scientific and public members who provide the second level of review for research grant applications; advise on policy development, program implementation and evaluation; and research needs and opportunities of the Institute. The quality, scope, and balance of advice from this Council cannot be obtained from NIH staff or from other established sources because the membership of the Council is constituted to meet the specific requirements of the mandated mission of the Council and the Institute.

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

The meetings of the National Advisory Council on Aging were partially closed to the public for the review of grant applications. Section 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act permit closing of meetings where discussion could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

### **21. Remarks**

Committee Function: Other - National Scientific and Advisory. DFO/Committee Decision Maker: The committee designated federal official and the committee decision maker are held by the same person based on the assignment of duties at this Institute. Committee members: Drs. Huang, Huling-Hummel, Reuben, and Schneider were administratively extended until 6/29/25. Dr. Charlotte Peterson resigned from the committee and was replaced by Laura Neidernhofer to finish

out the term; Dr. Neidernhofer will be re-nominated on the 2026 slate so that she can complete a full 4 year term. All other member start and end dates were reviewed. Reports: This committee did not produce any reports this fiscal year. Dr. Matthew Memoli served as Acting Director, NIH prior to Dr. Jayanta Bhattacharya's approved nomination as Director, NIH. Dorothy Fink served as Acting HHS Secretary prior to Robert Kennedy's approved nomination.

### Designated Federal Officer

#### KENNETH SANTORA DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF EXTRAMURAL ACTIVITIES

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
ASTHANA, SANJAY	04/09/2023	12/31/2026	UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
BAKER, DARREN	05/08/2022	12/31/2025	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, MAYO CLINIC	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Bhattacharya, Jayanta	04/01/2025	01/20/2029	Director, NIH	Ex Officio Member
CASE, ANNE	05/08/2022	12/31/2025	PROFESSOR, PRINCETON UNIVERSITY	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
CILIBERTO, MARITZA	04/23/2023	12/31/2026	BOSTON GREEN ACADEMY	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
CRUZ, YANIRA	05/08/2022	12/31/2025	PRESIDENT AND CEO, NATIONAL HISPANIC COUNCIL ON AGING	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
GREENSPAN, SUSAN	05/08/2022	12/31/2025	PROFESSOR, UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
HODES, RICHARD	05/28/1993	12/31/2026	DIRECTOR, NIA	Ex Officio Member

HOLAVANAHALLI, RADHA	02/02/2022	12/31/2029	Project Officer, National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research	Ex Officio Member
INOUYE, SHARON	04/09/2023	12/31/2026	HEBREW REHABILITATION CENTER FOR AGED	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
KENNEDY, ROBERT	02/13/2025	01/20/2029	SECRETARY, HHS	Ex Officio Member Special Government
KHAN, SOHAIL	04/09/2023	12/31/2026	CHEROKEE NATION	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
LONGO, FRANK	05/08/2022	12/31/2025	PROFESSOR AND CHAIRMAN, STANFORD UNIVERSITY	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
LUNDEBJERG, NANCY	04/09/2023	12/31/2026	AMERICAN GERIATRICS SOCIETY	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
VAN ELDIK, LINDA	05/08/2022	12/31/2025	PROFESSOR, UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
WESTIN, JONATHAN	05/29/2024	12/31/2028	Program Specialist, National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR), Administration for Community Living (ACL)	Ex Officio Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 16**

### **Narrative Description**

NIH's mission is to seek fundamental knowledge about the nature and behavior of living systems and the application of that knowledge to enhance health, lengthen life, and reduce illness and disability. NIH works toward that mission by: conducting research in its own laboratories; supporting the research of non-Federal scientists in universities, medical schools, hospitals, and research institutions throughout the country and abroad; helping in the

training of research investigators; and fostering communication of medical and health sciences information. Section 492 of the PHS Act states that The Secretary...shall by regulation require appropriate technical and scientific peer review of - (A) applications...; and (B) biomedical and behavioral research and development contracts... The National Advisory Council on Aging provides second level peer review, makes recommendations for support of grants, contracts proposals, and cooperative agreements; advises on policy development program, implementation and evaluation; and research needs of the National Institute on Aging.

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

Checked if  
Applies

- Improvements to health or safety
- Trust in government
- Major policy changes
- Advance in scientific research
- Effective grant making
- Improved service delivery
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements
- Other

**Outcome Comments**

N/A

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

Checked if Applies

- None
- Unable to Determine
- Under \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,001 - \$1,000,000
- \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000

\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000



Over \$10,000,000



Cost Savings Other



### **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?**

180,706

### **Number of Recommendations Comments**

The number of recommendations includes the second level review of grant applications. The number of grants reviewed in FY 2025 was 14,362.

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

0%

### **% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

Information on the research funded by NIH is available through the RePORT (Research Portfolio Online Reporting Tool) website. RePORT provides access to reports, data, and analyses of NIH research activities that advance the mission of the NIH, including information on NIH expenditures, strategic plans, reports on NIH funding, and reports on the organization and people involved in NIH research and research training. The RePORT website is located at <http://report.nih.gov>.

**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**

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

Yes  No  Not Applicable

**Agency Feedback Comments**

Information is provided to the public at the open session of each Council meeting through reports and the Director's update. The public can view information related to the Council through the council's official website.

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

**Action Comments**

An action of approved or recommended for grants receiving review by this council does not infer that the grant will be or has been funded. Research grant applications submitted to NIH must go through a two-step review process that includes initial peer review for scientific and technical merit and a second step of review for a number of other considerations. These include alignment with NIH's funding principles, review of the project budget, assessment of the applicant's management systems, determination of applicant eligibility, and compliance with public policy requirements. After all of these steps have been completed, NIH officials make funding decisions on individual grant applications.

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

Yes

What is the estimated Number of grants reviewed for approval

What is the estimated Number of grants recommended for approval 14,362  
14,362

What is the estimated Dollar Value of grants recommended for approval  
\$28,660,684,798

**Grant Review Comments**

NA

**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  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Publications              | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Other                     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**Access Comments**

N/A