

## 2025 Current Fiscal Year Report: Patient Engagement Advisory Committee

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**1. Department or Agency**

Department of Health and Human  
Services

**2. Fiscal Year**

2025

**3. Committee or Subcommittee**

Patient Engagement Advisory  
Committee

**3b. GSA Committee  
No.**

2532

**4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?** **5. Current Charter** **6. Expected Renewal Date** **7. Expected Term Date**

No 10/06/2023 10/06/2025

**8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?** **8b. Specific Termination Authority** **8c. Actual Term Date**

Yes 2025 Secretary Directive 04/01/2025

**9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year** **10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?** **10b. Legislation Pending?**

Continue Not Applicable Not Applicable

**11. Establishment Authority** Authorized by Law

**12. Specific Establishment Authority** **13. Effective Date** **14. Committee Type** **14c. Presidential?**

21 U.S.C. 394 10/06/2015 Continuing No

**15. Description of Committee** Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

**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 FY	Next 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 provides advice to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs on complex scientific issues related to medical devices, the regulation of devices, and their use by patients. Agency guidance and policies, clinical trial or registry design, patient preference study design, benefit-risk determinations, device labeling, unmet clinical needs, post market safety, available alternatives, patient-reported outcomes, and device-related quality of life or health status issues are among the topics that may be considered by the Committee. The Committee provides relevant

skills and perspectives to improve communication of benefits, risks and clinical outcomes, and increase integration of patient perspectives into the regulatory process for medical devices. It performs its duties by identifying new approaches, promoting innovation, recognizing unforeseen risks or barriers, and identifying unintended consequences that could result from FDA policy.

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

The Patient Engagement Advisory Committee charter specifies that the Committee shall consist of a core of 9 voting members including the Chair. Members and the Chair are selected by the Commissioner or designee from among authorities who are knowledgeable in areas such as clinical research, patient experience, healthcare needs of patient groups in the United States, or are experienced in the work of patient and health professional organizations, scientific methodologies for patient-reported outcomes and eliciting patient preferences, and strategies for communicating benefits, risks and clinical outcomes to patients and research subjects. As well as other relevant areas. The core of voting members may include 1 technically qualified member, selected by the Commissioner or designee, who is identified with consumer interests and are recommended by either a consortium of consumer-oriented organizations or other interested persons.

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

The Patient Engagement Advisory Committee charter specifies that meetings shall be held approximately one to two times a year. During the meetings the Committee will provide advice to the

Commissioner of Food and Drugs on complex issues relating to medical devices, the regulation of devices, and their use by patients. The Committee had no meeting in FY 2024. The committee plans to meet once in FY 2025.

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

The Committee provides relevant skills and perspectives in order to improve communication of benefits, risks and clinical outcomes, and increase integration of patient perspectives into the regulatory process for medical devices. The alternate means of accessing this advice would involve the recruitment of large numbers of specialists on a full-time basis at maximum rates of compensation.

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

Not Applicable

**21. Remarks**

Per "2025 Secretary Directive" this FACA Committee has been terminated. Recruitment effort for new chairperson: Now that the preferred candidate term with a NIH Committee will officially end soon (by October 31, 2024), the Designed Federal Officer of the Patient Engagement Advisory Committee (PEAC) will work on preparing a nomination package to have that individual appointed as a Member/Chairperson of PEAC effective January 1, 2025. Selecting this start date, will allow appropriate persons at NIH enough time to take care of any outstanding pay issues and process his/her termination appointment.

**Designated Federal Officer**

## Letise Williams Program Analyst, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
			Vice President, North American	Special Government
Burkhart, Ian	05/01/2023	04/30/2027	Spinal Cord Injury Consortium, Columbus, OH	Employee (SGE) Member
			Co-Founder, Global Patient	Special Government
Diaz, Teresa	05/27/2022	04/30/2026	Advocacy Coalition, Orlando, FL	Employee (SGE) Member
			Health and Wellness	Special
Edwards, Necie	05/22/2017	04/30/2027	Educator, Fibro Patient Education & Support Organization, Vernon Hills, IL	Government Employee (SGE) Member
			Sociologist, Qualitative Research	
Joniak-Grant, Elizabeth	06/29/2023	04/30/2027	Consultant and Patient Experience Collaborator Injury Prevention Research Center, Univ. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
			CEO, National Spine Health Foundation, Reston, VA	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Rutherford, Philip	05/01/2022	04/30/2026	Chief Operating Officer, Faces & Voices of Recovery, Washington, DC	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
			Founder, CEO & Chief Patient	Special Government
Schrandt, Mary	05/22/2017	04/30/2026	Advocate, Expect, LLC, Arlington, VA	Employee (SGE) Member
			Lead Proofreader (Nights),	Special Government
White, David	05/01/2024	04/30/2028	Debevoise Plimpton, New York, NY	Employee (SGE) Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 8**

## **Narrative Description**

FDA's strategic priorities in responding to the public health challenges of the 21st century are to advance regulatory science and innovation; strengthen the safety and integrity of the global supply chain; strengthen compliance and enforcement activities to support public health; expand efforts to meet the needs of special populations; advance medical countermeasures and emergency preparedness; advance food safety and nutrition; promote public health by advancing the safety and effectiveness of medical products; establish an effective tobacco regulation, prevention, and control program; and manage for organizational excellence and accountability. The Patient Engagement Advisory Committee supports FDA's strategic priorities by providing advice to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs on complex, scientific issues relating to medical devices, the regulation of devices, and their use by patients. Topics to be considered by the Committee include Agency guidance and policies, clinical trial or registry design, patient preference study design, benefit-risk determinations, device labeling, unmet clinical needs, available alternatives, patient reported outcomes and device-related quality of life or health status issues. The Committee performs its duties by identifying new approaches, promoting innovation, recognizing unforeseen risks or barriers, and identifying unintended consequences that could result from FDA policy. This supports the development of safe and effective new medical technologies, and advances the status of the Agency as a science-based and science-led regulatory agency, providing global leadership in the protection of public health.

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

Checked if  
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| Increased customer satisfaction                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Other   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

### Outcome Comments

NA

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

Checked if Applies

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|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 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

The utilization of the Patient Engagement Advisory Committee enables the Agency to obtain required services from experts who are knowledgeable in areas such as clinical research, primary care patient experience, and health care needs of patient groups in the United States not otherwise available to the Agency; and to obtain the services of these experts only on an as needed basis rather than on a full time basis. The service of the committee resulted in advice for the improvement of the public health, for which it is difficult to assign a financial value.

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

7

### Number of Recommendations Comments

The Patient Engagement Advisory Committee made 7 recommendations since its establishment in FY 2016 through FY 24.

### What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or

**will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

33%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

The function of the committee is purely advisory in nature. Although the FDA most often accepts the recommendations from its committees, the advice is purely advisory in nature, and therefore, the Agency has the option of not implementing the advice. This number represents approximation of the percentage of recommendations that the agency has fully implemented or plans to fully implement.

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

67%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

The function of an advisory committee is purely advisory in nature. Although the FDA most often accepts the recommendations from its committees, the advice is purely advisory in nature, and therefore, the Agency has the option of not implementing the advice.

**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 Agency developed a guidance document to address the committee's recommendation. The guidance document and other general matters issues are available. Actions related to guidance documents or other general matters or issues are available publicly when implemented. Please see <https://www.fda.gov/>.

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

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input 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**

The committee will address patient related issues and take appropriate programmatic steps.

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

No

**Grant Review Comments**

Not Applicable

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

**Access Comments**

Not Applicable