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NRC INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL USE OF ISOTOPES

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is seeking nominations for the position of patients' rights advocate on the Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes (ACMUI).

Committee members currently serve a four-year term and may be considered for reappointment to an additional term.

The ACMUI advises NRC on policy and technical issues that arise in the regulation of the medical use of radioactive materials. Responsibilities include providing comments on changes to NRC rules, regulations, and guidance documents; evaluating certain non-routine uses of radioactive material; providing technical assistance in licensing, inspection, and enforcement cases; and bringing key issues to the attention of NRC for appropriate action.

ACMUI members possess the medical and technical skills needed to address evolving issues. The current membership is comprised of the following positions: nuclear medicine physician; nuclear cardiologist; medical physicist in nuclear medicine [unsealed byproduct material]; therapy medical physicist; radiation safety officer; nuclear pharmacist; two radiation oncologists; patients' rights advocate; Food and Drug Administration representative; state representative; and health care administrator and diagnostic radiologist. For additional information about membership on the ACMUI, visit the ACMUI Membership web page at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/advisory/acmui/membership.html>.

Nominees must be U.S. citizens and be able to devote approximately 160 hours per year to Committee business and have professional or personal experience with or knowledge about patient advocacy. Also, involvement or leadership with patient advocacy organizations is preferred. Members are expected to attend semi-annual meetings in Rockville, Md., and to participate in teleconferences, as needed. Members who are not federal employees are compensated for their service. In addition, non-federal members are reimbursed for travel and correspondence expenses. Full-time federal employees are reimbursed for travel expenses only. The selected nominee will undergo a thorough security background check. Security paperwork may take the nominee several weeks to complete. Nominees will also be required to complete a financial disclosure statement to assure that there are no conflicts of interest.

Interested candidates should submit an electronic copy of their resume or curriculum vitae, along with a cover letter, to Ashley Cockerham at Ashley.cockerham@nrc.gov. The cover letter should describe current involvement with patients' rights advocacy and express the candidate's interest in the position. Submittals should include the following information, if applicable: education; certification; professional association membership and committee membership activities; and number of years, recentness, and type of setting for patient advocacy.

The notice was published in the Federal Register Sept. 19; nominations will be accepted until Nov. 15. For more information, contact: Ashley Cockerham, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs; (240) 888-7129; ashley.cockerham@nrc.gov.

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