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2012 IRG Stakeholder Survey

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Thank you in advance for participating in the 2012 IRG Stakeholder Survey at the National Institutes of Health, Center for Scientific Review. We are in the process of examining the effectiveness of NIH/CSR Integrated Review Groups and your input is very important to us.

Regarding your participation in the NIH/CSR study section review meetings, please respond to the following statements.

Roster quality (**expert review**)

1. Considering both the applications typically reviewed in the study section you served on and the need to ensure a balanced and diverse panel- the roster of the study section you served on is an assembly of qualified and respected scientists with expertise well matched to application content.

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Reviewer training (**communication of role, policy, practice, and expectations**)

2. Training in **policy** provided by the SRO allowed the panel to be able to discharge its duties competently.

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

3. Training in ***practice and procedures*** provided by the SRO allowed the panel to be able to discharge its duties competently.

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

4. Expectations of diligence and the importance of deadlines were clearly explained to the panel by the SRO before the meeting.

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

5. The expertise of reviewers was appropriately matched to application content (please consider the need to balance reviewer workloads and ensure broad perspective).

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

6. Reviewers used the following sources for information when they needed it (check all that apply)

CSR Website

The SRO

The Chair

Other Reviewers

Colleagues and friends

Meeting management (***implementation of policy and practice***)

7. Rate the panel, as a whole, on its ability to identify the most promising science.

The panel recognizes significant ideas and is not risk averse when voting impact scores

The panel recognizes significant ideas but is risk averse when voting impact scores

The panel is risk averse when voting impact scores and does not recognize significant ideas

The panel is not risk adverse when voting impact scores and does not recognize significant ideas

8. Oral presentations by the reviewers at the meeting

were indicative of careful preparation.

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

9. Oral presentations by the reviewers at the meeting were indicative of demonstrated scientific insight.

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

10. In preparation for the meeting, how many critiques by colleagues did you read? (insert number in box)

11. The SRO exhibited leadership and competence during the pre-meeting and meeting phases of the study section by:	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Recruiting appropriate reviewers:					
Making appropriate application assignments:					
Conducting an informative pre-meeting teleconference:					
Training Reviewers:					
Managing discussions in collaboration with the Chair:					
Clarifying policy questions:					

12. The Chair was well prepared for the meeting.

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

13. The Chair conducted the scientific discussions in a respectful and professional environment.

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

14. Written critiques were informative and scientifically insightful.

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

15. At the meeting, the discussions were scientifically insightful and the panel was able to identify the most promising applications in a fair and rigorous manner.

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

16. Considering all of the above factors, how would you rate the overall quality of the most recent study section that you participated in? (please rate only one study section)	1 Outstanding	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Poor
Behavioral Genetics and Epidemiology (BGES)									
Cardiovascular and Sleep Epidemiology (CASE)									
Epidemiology of Cancer (EPIC)									
Infectious, Reproductive, Asthma and Pulmonary Conditions (IRAP)									
Kidney, Nutrition, Obesity and Diabetes (KNOD)									
Neurological, Aging and Musculoskeletal Epidemiology (NAME)									
Social Issues and Population Studies (SSPA)									
Social Issues and Population Studies (SSPB)									
Societal and Ethical Issues in Research (SEIR)									

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