

CHARTER

PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

PURPOSE

The President's Committee on Mental Retardation (PCMR), now known as the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities (PCPID), was originally established by Executive Order 11280 on May 11, 1966. Executive Order 11280 was superceded by Executive Order 11776 on March 28, 1974, and Executive Order 11776 was superceded by Executive Order 12994 on March 21, 1996. Executive Order 12994 was continued by Executive Order 13225 signed on September 28, 2001, which continued the Committee through September 30, 2003, with a change in name and with expanded membership, to provide advice to the President and to the Secretary of Health and Human Services concerning a broad range of topics relating to people with intellectual disabilities.

AUTHORITY

Executive Order 12994, dated March 21, 1996, was continued by Executive Order 13062, dated September 29, 1997, and subsequently continued by Executive Order 13138, dated September 30, 1999, and which was subsequently continued by Executive Order 13225, dated September 28, 2001, continuing the President's Committee on Mental Retardation, now known as the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities (PCPID), through September 30, 2003. Executive Order 12994 was amended on July 25, 2003, continuing the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities through September 30, 2005. The Committee is governed by Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

FUNCTION

The PCPID shall provide such advice and assistance in the area of intellectual disabilities, as the President or Secretary of Health and Human Services may request, and particularly shall advise with respect to the following areas:

- 1) evaluating and monitoring the national effort to establish appropriate policies and supports for people with intellectual disabilities;
- 2) providing suggestions for improvement in the delivery of services to people with intellectual disabilities, including preventive services, the promulgation of effective and humane policies, and the provision of necessary supports;

- 3) identifying the extent to which various Federal and State programs achieve the national goals for people with intellectual disabilities described in the preamble of the Executive Order for the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities so as to have a positive impact on the lives of people with intellectual disabilities;
- 4) facilitating liaison among Federal, State and local governments, foundations, non-profit organizations, other private organizations, and citizens concerning people with intellectual disabilities;
- 5) developing and disseminating such information as will tend to reduce the incidence and severity of intellectual disabilities; and
- 6) promoting the concept of community participation and development of community supports for citizens with intellectual disabilities.

To assist the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities in providing advice to the President, Federal departments and agencies requested to do so by the Committee shall designate liaison officers to the Committee. Such officers shall, on request by the Committee, and to the extent permitted by law, provide the Committee with information on department and agency programs that do contribute to or could contribute to achievement of the President's goals in the field of intellectual disabilities.

STRUCTURE

The Committee shall be composed of the following members:

- 1) The Secretary of Health and Human Services.
- 2) The Secretary of Education.
- 3) The Attorney General.
- 4) The Secretary of Labor.
- 5) The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.
- 6) The Secretary of Commerce.
- 7) The Secretary of Transportation.
- 8) The Secretary of Interior.

- 9) The Secretary of Homeland Defense.
- 10) The Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Services (formerly ACTION).
- 11) The Commissioner of Social Security.
- 12) The Chair of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.
- 13) The Chair of the National Council on Disability.
- 14) No more than twenty-one civilian members shall be appointed to the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities by the President. These members shall consist of individuals who represent a broad spectrum of perspectives, experience, and expertise on intellectual disabilities, and shall include self-advocates with intellectual disabilities and members of families with a child or adult with Intellectual disabilities and persons employed in either the public or the private sector. Except as the President may from time to time otherwise direct, appointees under this paragraph shall have two-year terms, except that an appointment made to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration of a term shall be made for the balance of the unexpired term.

The President shall designate the Chair of the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities from the twenty-one citizen members. The Chair shall advise and counsel the Committee and represent the Committee on appropriate occasions.

The Department of Health and Human Services shall, to the extent permitted by law, provide the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities with necessary staff, administrative services, and facilities and funding.

MEETINGS

Meetings of the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities shall be held approximately four times a year at the call of the Chair, or Vice Chair, with the advance approval of a Government official, who shall also approve the agenda. A Government official shall be present at all meetings.

Meetings shall be open to the public except as determined otherwise by the Secretary or other official to whom the authority has been delegated; notice of all meetings shall be given to the public.

Meetings shall be conducted, and records of the proceedings kept, as required by applicable laws and Departmental regulations.

COMPENSATION

Each member of the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities, except any member who received other compensation from the United States Government, may receive compensation for each day he or she is engaged in the work of the Committee, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 3109), and may also received travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5701-5707), for persons employed intermittently in the Government service. Committee members with disabilities may be compensated for attendant expenses, consistent with Government procedures and practices.

ANNUAL COST ESTIMATE

Estimated annual cost for operating the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities (PCPID), including compensation and travel expenses for members to attend Committee meetings, but excluding staff support, is \$150,000. Estimate of annual person years of staff support required is six at an annual cost of approximately \$498,000.

REPORTS

The President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities shall make an annual report to the President concerning intellectual disabilities through the Secretary of Health and Human Services. Such additional reports may be made as the President may require or as the Committee may deem appropriate.

TERMINATION DATE

Unless renewed by appropriate action prior to its expiration, the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities will terminate on September 30, 2005.

Approved:

Date

Secretary