

## II. Selection Procedure

Any industry organization interested in participating in the selection of an appropriate nonvoting member to represent the interests of tobacco growers should send a letter stating that interest to the FDA contact (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) within 30 days of publication of this document (see **DATES**). Within the subsequent 30 days, FDA will send a letter to each organization that has expressed an interest, attaching a complete list of all such organizations; and a list of all nominees along with their current resumes. The letter will also state that it is the responsibility of the interested organizations to confer with one another and to select a candidate, within 60 days after the receipt of the FDA letter, to serve as the nonvoting member to represent the interests of tobacco growers for the committee. The interested organizations are not bound by the list of nominees in selecting a candidate. However, if no individual is selected within 60 days, the Commissioner will select the nonvoting member to represent the interests of tobacco growers.

## III. Application Procedure

Individuals may self-nominate and/or an organization may nominate one or more individuals to serve as a nonvoting member to represent the interests of tobacco growers. Contact information, current curriculum vitae, and the name of the committee of interest should be sent to the FDA Advisory Committee Membership Nomination Portal (see **ADDRESSES**) within 30 days of publication of this document (see **DATES**). FDA will forward all nominations to the organizations expressing interest in participating in the selection process for the committee. (Persons who nominate themselves as nonvoting industry representatives will not participate in the selection process.)

FDA seeks to include the views of women and men, members of all racial and ethnic groups, and individuals with and without disabilities on its advisory committees and, therefore encourages nominations of appropriately qualified candidates from these groups.

This notice is issued under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2) and 21 CFR part 14, relating to advisory committees.

Dated: July 27, 2016.

**Janice M. Soreth,**

*Acting Associate Commissioner, Special Medical Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Opportunity to Co-sponsor an Office on Women's Health Awards Ceremony and Event for its 25th Anniversary

**AGENCY:** Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office on Women's Health.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 300u, 42 U.S.C. 300u-2, and 42 U.S.C. 237a (3509 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act), notice is given that the Office on Women's Health (OWH) is soliciting proposals from non-federal public and private sector entities to co-sponsor the OWH Anniversary Celebration event in the Washington, DC area in late September, 2016.

**DATES:** Representatives of eligible organizations should submit expressions of interest no later than 6:00 p.m. EST on August 16, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Expressions of interest should be directed electronically to [Valerie.Borden@hhs.gov](mailto:Valerie.Borden@hhs.gov) or mailed to the Office on Women's Health, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Room 730F.3, Washington, DC 20201. Attention: Valerie Borden.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions may be directed to Valerie Borden, Office on Women's Health, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Room 730F.3, Washington, DC 20201. Email: [Valerie.Borden@hhs.gov](mailto:Valerie.Borden@hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The OWH was established in 1991 to improve the health of American women by advancing and coordinating a comprehensive women's health agenda throughout the Department of Health and Human Service (HHS). The OWH provides national leadership and coordination to improve the health of women and girls through policy, education, and model programs. The office fulfills its mission by advancing policy and issuing competitive contracts and grants to an array of community, academic, and other organizations at the national and community levels. This year marks the office's 25th anniversary.

The event will feature a panel discussion focusing on the future of women's health. It will also feature an award ceremony for organizations and partners who helped improve the health and well-being of women and girls in the U.S. over the past 25 years.

The co-sponsor will assist with the development of the substantive content

of the event and other event planning, coordination, and logistics in partnership with the OWH staff. In addition the co-sponsor will be responsible for the event venue and any food and beverages.

#### *Eligibility for Co-Sponsorship*

To be eligible, a potential co-sponsor shall:

1. Have a demonstrated understanding, commitment, and experience in improving the health of women and girls;
2. Participate substantively in the co-sponsored activity, not just provide funding or logistical support; and
3. Have an organizational or corporate mission that is consistent with OWH and HHS.

Each co-sponsorship proposal shall contain a description of: (1) The entity or organization's background and history, (2) its ability to satisfy the co-sponsorship criteria detailed above, and (3) its proposed involvement in the co-sponsored activity. The selected co-sponsoring organization(s) shall furnish the necessary personnel, materials, services, and facilities to administer its responsibility for the event. These duties will be outlined in a co-sponsorship agreement with OWH that will set forth the details of the co-sponsored activity, including the requirements that any fees collected by the co-sponsor shall be limited to the amount necessary to cover the co-sponsor's related meeting expenses.

**Evaluation Criteria:** After engaging in exploratory discussions with potential co-sponsors that respond to this notice, the OWH will select the co-sponsor or co-sponsors using the following evaluation criteria:

- (1) Qualifications and capability to fulfill co-sponsorship responsibilities;
- (2) Creativity related to enhancing the event;
- (3) Potential for reaching and generating attendees from among key stakeholders, including federal, state and local policymakers, other health officials, non-profits interested in women's health, and underserved/ special populations;
- (4) Experience with events;
- (5) Past or current work specific to women's health;
- (6) Personnel names, professional qualifications, and specific expertise with event planning;
- (7) Availability and description of facilities to support the event, including office space, information technology, and telecommunication resources; and,
- (9) Proposed plan for managing an event with the OWH.

Expressions of interest should outline eligibility in response to the

qualifications bulleted above and be no more than two pages in length, single-spaced and 11 point font.

Dated: July 19, 2016.

**Nancy C. Lee,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health—  
Women's Health Director, Office on Women's  
Health.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

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#### Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee; Vacancies

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Request for applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership on the Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee. This Committee advises the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security on matters related to personnel in the U.S. merchant marine, including but not limited to training, qualifications, certification, documentation, and fitness standards.

**DATES:** Completed applications should reach the Coast Guard on or before September 30, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Applicants should send a cover letter expressing interest in an appointment to the Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee that also identifies which membership category the applicant is applying under, along with a resume detailing the applicant's experience via one of the following methods:

- *By Email:* [davis.j.breyer@uscg.mil](mailto:davis.j.breyer@uscg.mil).
- *By Fax:* (202) 372-8382.
- *By Mail:* Davis J. Breyer, Alternate Designated Federal Officer, Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee Commandant (CG-MMC-1), U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7509, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20593-7509.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Davis J. Breyer, Alternate Designated Federal Officer of the Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee; telephone 202-372-1445 or email at [davis.j.breyer@uscg.mil](mailto:davis.j.breyer@uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee is a statutory federal advisory committee established in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, (Title

5 U.S.C. Appendix) to advise the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security on matters relating to personnel in the U.S. merchant marine, including but not limited to training, qualifications, certification, documentation, and fitness standards and other matters as assigned by the Commandant. The Committee shall also review and comment on proposed Coast Guard regulations and policies relating to personnel in the United States merchant marine, including training, qualifications, certification, documentation, and fitness standards; may be given special assignments by the Secretary and may conduct studies, inquiries, workshops, and fact finding in consultation with individuals and groups in the private sector and with State or local governments; and shall advise, consult with, and make recommendations reflecting its independent judgment to the Secretary. The Committee meets not less than twice each year. Its subcommittees and working groups may also meet intercessionally to consider specific tasks as required.

Each Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee member serves a term of office of up to three years. Members may serve a maximum of two consecutive terms. All members serve without compensation from the Federal Government; however, upon request, they may receive travel reimbursement and per diem.

We will consider applications for the following six positions that will be vacant on June 1, 2017. To be eligible, you should have experience in one or more of the following areas of expertise:

- (1) One position for a licensed engineering officer who is licensed as a chief engineer, any horsepower;
- (2) one position for a pilot who represents the viewpoint of Merchant Marine pilots;
- (3) one position for a member who represents the viewpoint of shipping companies employed in ship operation management;
- (4) one position for an unlicensed seaman who represents the viewpoint of able bodied seamen; and
- (5) two positions for members who represent the viewpoint of maritime training institutions other than a state or federal academy.

Registered lobbyists are not eligible to serve on federal advisory committees in an individual capacity. See "Revised Guidance on Appointment of Lobbyists to Federal Advisory Committees, Boards, and Commissions" (79 FR 47482, August 13, 2014). Registered lobbyists are lobbyists as defined in 2 U.S.C. 1602 who are required by 2

U.S.C. 1603 to register with the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives.

The Department of Homeland Security does not discriminate in selection of Committee members on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, disability and genetic information, age, membership in an employee organization, or any other non-merit factor. The Department of Homeland Security strives to achieve a widely diverse candidate pool for all of its recruitment actions.

If you are interested in applying to become a member of the Committee, send your cover letter and resume to Davis J. Breyer, Alternate Designated Federal Officer of the Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee according to the instructions in the **ADDRESSES** section by the deadline in the **DATES** section of this notice. All email submittals will receive email receipt confirmation.

Dated: July 22, 2016.

**J. G. Lantz,**

*Director of Commercial Regulations and  
Standards, U.S. Coast Guard.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

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#### Extension and Redesignation of Syria for Temporary Protected Status

**AGENCY:** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Through this Notice, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) is extending the designation of the Syrian Arab Republic (Syria) for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for 18 months, from October 1, 2016 through March 31, 2018, and redesignating Syria for TPS for 18 months, effective October 1, 2016 through March 31, 2018.

The extension allows TPS beneficiaries to retain TPS through March 31, 2018, so long as they continue to meet the eligibility requirements for TPS. The redesignation