The eighty-first meeting of the Literature Selection Technical Review Committee (LSTRC) (roster under ATTACHMENT A) of the National Library of Medicine (NLM) convened at 8:30AM, June 22, 2017, in the Donald A.B. Lindberg Room of the NLM, Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. Thu Annelise Nguyen, Chairperson of the Committee, presided. In accordance with P.L. 92-463 and the determination of the Director, National Institutes of Health (NIH), the meeting was announced in the Federal Register. The meeting was open to the public on June 22, 2017, from 8:30-10:30AM, for the discussion of administrative matters and a presentation on the NLM Value Set Authority Center by Ms. Maureen Madden, Library Operations, NLM. In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 552b(c)(9)(B), Title 5, U.S.C., Pub. L. 92-463, the remainder of the meeting was closed to the public for the review and discussion of journals as potential titles to be indexed by the NLM.

For the Record

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Sanjeeve Balasubramaniam  
Ms. Marisa Conte  
Dr. Karen Corsi  
Dr. Filipa Godoy-Vitorino  
Dr. Kristen Greenland  
Dr. Scott LeMaire  
Dr. Thu Annelise Nguyen  
Dr. Benedict Nwomeh  
Dr. Bill Yates  
Dr. Masami Yoshimura  
Dr. Karen Young

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

Dr. Felicia Hodge  
Dr. Adina Kalet

**NLM STAFF PRESENT**

Ms. Joyce Backus  
Ms. In-Hye Cho  
Mr. David Gillikin  
Ms. Maureen Madden  
Mr. Patrick McLaughlin  
Ms. Karen Nimerick  
Ms. Rebecca Stanger  
Ms. Lauren Topper  
Ms. Erin Zellers

**CONSULTANTS**

Ms. Diane Cooper  
Dr. John M. Pascoe  
Ms. Nancy Tannery

**OBSERVERS**

Dr. Melissa Haendel  
Dr. Elijah Paintsil

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1 It is noted that members absent themselves from the meeting when the Committee is discussing journal titles in which a conflict of interest might occur.
I. Call to Order

Dr. Thu Annelise Nguyen called the meeting to order at 8:30AM, Thursday, June 22, 2017, and welcomed members, consultants, observers, and NLM staff.

II. Administrative Matters

A. **Consideration of the minutes from the February 2017 meeting:**
   The minutes were approved as written.

B. **Conflict of Interest Forms:**
   Conflict of Interest forms were distributed to LSTRC members prior to the meeting, and were completed before members participated.

C. **Dates of future meetings:**
   - **Confirmed Meetings:**
     - Fall 2017 (October 26-27, 2017)
     - Winter 2018 (February 22-23, 2018)
     - Spring 2018 (June 21-22, 2018)
   - **Proposed meeting:**
     - Fall 2018 (October 25-26, 2018)

III. An Overview of the Value Set Authority Center and NLM Standard Terminologies that Support Healthcare Informatics

Ms. Maureen Madden, VSAC Project Lead, National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health, briefly introduced the terminology products and tools supported by NLM such as SNOMED CT, RxNorm, and LOINC. She gave a more detailed overview of the Value Set Authority Center (VSAC) that was created by NLM in 2012 with an immediate urgency to support the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) electronic Clinical Quality Measure initiative mandated by the ARRA HITECH Act.

IV. Report and Discussion

Joyce Backus explained to the Committee that any correspondence they receive regarding a journal review should be forwarded to NLM for response. She informed the Committee of a new NLM policy regarding the creation of MEDLINE citations. The creation of MEDLINE citations will be moving completely to publisher-supplied data. An NLM Technical Bulletin outlining the policy was issued June 21, 2017.
V. Director's Report

Dr. Patricia Flatley Brennan began by thanking the LSTRC members for their contributions and their diligence in recommending journals to be indexed in MEDLINE, saying that the work of LSTRC is essential and important for NLM’s mission to provide access to health information. She announced that Jerry Sheehan will become Acting NLM Deputy Director effective July 1, 2017. Mr. Sheehan has been approved by HHS to serve as the new NLM Deputy Director; his final approval by the Office of Personnel Management is expected later this summer. During his more than 10 years at NLM as the Assistant Director for Policy Development, Mr. Sheehan has made major contributions to the development and implementation of NIH, HHS, and US government-wide policy related to open science, public access to government-funded information, clinical trials registration, and electronic health records. From September 2015 to January 2017, Mr. Sheehan was detailed to the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy as Assistant Director for Scientific Data and Information. Dr. Brennan spoke about a new direction NLM is taking in addressing data science and explained that data powered health rests on a secure, end-to-end pipeline. NLM will become a platform for discovery and a pathway for engagement. She showed the NLM in Transformation video that was shown at the Medical Library Association 2017 meeting.

Dr. Brennan thanked the outgoing LSTRC Chairwoman, Thu Annelise Nguyen, and presented her with a certificate of appreciation.

VI. Examination and Reviews of Titles

Dr. Thu Annelise Nguyen announced the meeting was closed for the examination and review of titles on Thursday, June 22, 2017 at 10:30AM. Titles continued to be reviewed until 5:00PM Thursday, and began again at 8:30AM on Friday, June 23, 2017. Examination of titles concluded at noon on Friday and the meeting was adjourned.

VII. Certification

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing minutes and attachments are accurate and complete.

Joyce E.B. Backus  Thu Annelise Nguyen
Scientific Review Administrator  Chairperson