

**BOARD OF SCIENTIFIC ADVISORS
NCI LISTENS Q & AS**

**Based on most frequently asked questions from research community attending NCI
Listens sessions at national meetings from 1997 to 2007.**

OTHER TOPICS

- **What products and services from the intramural program and NCI-Frederick are accessible to extramural investigators?**

Many NCI resources are available to extramural investigators including screening and production of compounds, animal resources, genomic resources, and scientific computing resources. See [NCI Research Resources](#) for more information.

- **What is the NIH Commons Fund? How are these initiatives being coordinated and reviewed?**

The NIH Common Fund is an effort to transform the nation's medical research capabilities and speed the movement of research discoveries from the bench to the bedside. The Common Fund supports the series of transformative programs that were established under the NIH Roadmap for Medical Research, as well as other non-Roadmap activities. Programs include the NIH Director's Pioneer awards, New Innovator awards, and Transformative R01 Program. For complete information, visit the [Common Fund](#) site.

The [Division of Program Coordination, Planning and Strategic Initiatives](#) (DPCPSI) is responsible for managing the process by which trans-NIH initiatives are prioritized for consideration and evaluation by both outside advisors and NIH leadership.

- **Who is the point of contact for nominations for Boards or review committees?**

Contact the Director, Division of Extramural Activities, NCI, if you are interested in volunteering for NCI peer review committees or councils. For CSR peer review committees, go to ["How to Become a CSR Reviewer"](#) for information on reviewer qualifications and CSR nomination process.

