

**Ad hoc Working Group
Cancer Biomedical Informatics Grid (caBIG) Program**

The National Cancer Institute Board of Scientific Advisors has convened an ad hoc Working Group on the Cancer Biomedical Informatics Grid (caBig) Program. caBIG is an information network enabling all constituencies in the cancer community, i.e. researchers, physicians, and patients to share data and knowledge. The charge to the Working Group is to assess the goals, accomplishments, challenges, and community outreach of the caBIG program. The goal is to help caBIG achieve even greater traction in the cancer research community and to identify stumbling blocks and areas that will require greater attention in the future development of the program. In particular, the Working Group's evaluation will cover caBIG tools and projects in the following four areas: (a) clinical infrastructure, (b) analytical tools for the support of discovery based science, (c) research infrastructure, and (d) contract review and administration processes. The Working Group will advise the NCI Board of Scientific Advisors.