

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH  
NATIONAL CENTER FOR COMPLEMENTARY AND INTEGRATIVE HEALTH  
NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR  
COMPLEMENTARY AND INTEGRATIVE HEALTH  
Minutes of the Eighty-Ninth Meeting  
April 8, 2025**

**NACCIH Members Present Virtually**

Dr. Helene Benveniste, New Haven, CT  
Dr. Per Gunnar Brolinson, Blacksburg, VA  
Dr. Nadja Cech, Greensboro, NC  
Dr. Daniel Dickerson, Los Angeles, CA  
Dr. Benjamin Kligler, Washington, DC\*  
Dr. Helen Lavretsky, Los Angeles, CA  
Dr. James Russell Linderman, Bethesda, MD\*  
Dr. Erica Sibinga, Baltimore, MD  
Dr. Amala Soumyanath, Portland, OR

**NACCIH Members Not Present**

Prof. Rhonda Magee, San Francisco, CA

\*Ex Officio Member

**I. Closed Session**

The first portion of the eighty-ninth meeting of the National Advisory Council for Complementary and Integrative Health (NACCIH) was closed to the public, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C., and Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). A total of 173 applications were assigned to the National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health (NCCIH). Applications that were noncompetitive, not discussed, or not recommended for further consideration by the scientific review groups were not considered by Council. Council agreed with staff recommendations on 87 scored applications, which requested \$51,044,072 in total costs.

**II. Final Remarks and Adjournment**

Dr. Schmidt thanked Council members for attending and noted that NCCIH would not be able to pursue its mission without their expertise, feedback, and guidance. She extended special thanks to NCCIH staff who made this meeting possible. The meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

We hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge, the foregoing minutes are accurate and

complete.

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Martina Schmidt, Ph.D.  
Executive Secretary  
National Advisory Council for  
Complementary and Integrative Health

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Helene M. Langevin, M.D.  
Chairperson  
National Advisory Council  
for Complementary and Integrative Health