

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)  
**Network of Minority Research Investigators**  
**2008 Annual Workshop**

Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center  
April 23 - 24, 2009

### **Logistics**

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#### **LOCATION**

Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center  
5701 Marinelli Road  
North Bethesda, MD 20852  
Telephone: (301) 822-9200 or (800) 859-8003  
Fax: (301) 822-9201

Website: <http://www.bethesdanorthmarriott.com>  
(More hotel information can be obtained from this Website.)

#### **AIR TRAVEL**

To make your airline reservations and have your ticket reimbursed by The Scientific Consulting Group, Inc. (SCG), you will need to call **Travel-On Travel Agency at 1-888-495-7770** between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time and secure the ticket with a major credit card. Please inform them that you are booking travel to be reimbursed by SCG for the NMRI Annual Workshop in Bethesda, MD, and give them your desired travel dates. Please note that per federal travel regulations, you can only purchase a coach class, non-refundable ticket, with an advance purchase of at least 14 days, at the maximum rate of \$700 for domestic travel.

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

A **limited number** of sleeping rooms for conference participants have been reserved at the host hotel, **Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center**. The rate is the prevailing government rate of \$209 per night for single and double occupancy plus tax (13%). To reserve a hotel room, call reservations at the above-listed number or (800) 859-8003 and request a room under the name: **NIDDK NMRI**. Reservations should be made for arrival on April 22 with a departure on April 24. If you require alternate dates, please send an email to John Hare at [jhare@scgcorp.com](mailto:jhare@scgcorp.com). Any alternate date request will need to be approved through NIDDK.

To receive this reduced rate, please indicate that you are requesting a room for the NIDDK *NMRI Annual Workshop* when making your reservations. Reservations must be made no later than **Tuesday, March 31, 2009**, and must be secured with a major credit card. Please be certain that the hotel provides you with a confirmation number for your reservation. After **March 31, 2009**, the official room block will be released, and the hotel may charge significantly higher rates and may be sold out. When making a reservation, please provide your room and bedding preferences. The hotel will assign specific room types at check-in, based on availability. Please

be advised that requests are not guaranteed. Check-in time is at 4:00 p.m., and check-out time is at 12:00 p.m. If you need to cancel your reservation, please do so by 4:00 p.m. the day prior to arrival or you will be charged a no-show fee for 1 night on your credit card.

## **DRIVING DIRECTIONS**

### **From points North and East**

Take I-95 South toward Washington to I-495 West (Exit 27-Capital Beltway) toward Silver Spring. Follow I-495 West for 9 miles to Exit 34 (Bethesda/Wisconsin Avenue) toward Rockville. Continue on Route 355 North (Rockville Pike) for 3 miles. Turn left at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the right.

### **From points North and West**

Take I-270 South. After Exit 8 (Shady Grove Road), merge right into the local lanes. Take Exit 4A (Montrose Road East) onto Montrose Road. Turn right onto Rockville Pike/MD-355 South. Turn right at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the right.

### **From Points South**

Take I-95 North to I-495 (Capital Beltway West) toward Tysons Corner/Rockville. Follow I-495 for 20 miles. Take Exit 36 (MD-187) toward Bethesda/Rockville. Bear left to take the ramp toward Rockville. Turn left onto Old Georgetown Road. Turn right onto Executive Boulevard. Turn left at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the left.

### **From Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI)**

Take I-195 to Exit 4B (Route I-95 South). Take I-95 South toward Washington (20 miles) to I-495 West (Exit 27-Capital Beltway) toward Silver Spring. Follow I-495 West for 9 miles to Exit 34 (Bethesda/Wisconsin Avenue) toward Rockville. Continue on Route 355 North (Rockville Pike) for 3 miles. Turn left at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the right.

### **From Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)**

Take the Dulles Access Road to Exit 18 (I-495) to Maryland. Take Exit 36 (MD-187) toward Bethesda/Rockville. Bear left to take the ramp toward Rockville. Turn left onto Old Georgetown Road. Turn right onto Executive Boulevard. Turn left at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the left.

### **From Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA)**

Take the George Washington Parkway North for 12 miles to the Capital Beltway (I-495) toward Maryland. Take Exit 36 (MD-187) toward Bethesda/Rockville. Bear left to take the ramp toward Rockville. Turn left onto Old Georgetown Road. Turn right onto Executive Boulevard. Turn left at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the left.

## **METRO INFORMATION**

The Metro system is clean, reliable, and safe. It operates from 5:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight on Monday through Thursday; 5:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m. on Fridays; 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m. on Saturdays; and 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight on Sundays. Each passenger must buy a farecard to travel in the system. Guides for purchasing farecards are posted on the vending machines in each station. Each Metro car features a complete color-coded map of the system. Station

attendants on duty at each station can provide additional information on request. A map of the system is available at: <http://www.wmata.com/rail/maps/map.cfm>.

From Union Station or downtown Washington (main Metro Lines into the city converge at Metro Center Station and Gallery Place Station), take the Metro Red Line toward Shady Grove. Exit at the White Flint Station and cross the street to the hotel.

### **SHUTTLES**

SuperShuttle offers service to most hotels from Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport, Washington Dulles International Airport, and Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport. The shuttle leaves on an as-needed basis between the hours of 5:30 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. During other times, arrangements for a shuttle can be made by calling 1-800-258-3826 from the airport, or visit their Web site at <http://supershuttle.com>.

### **TAXIS**

The taxi fare is approximately \$55 from Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport, approximately \$55 from Washington Dulles International Airport, and approximately \$75 from Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport.

### **PARKING INFORMATION**

There is complimentary parking for meeting participants at the conference center.