

Tobacco Control Ad Hoc Committee

Mission: The function of the Tobacco Control Ad Hoc Committee is to educate CPDD Board of Directors, its members and relevant stakeholders about the current issues related to tobacco control. It also aims to provide expertise on the assessment of abuse liability of tobacco products to relevant federal and international agencies.

Committee Members: This Ad Hoc Committee generally consists of 4-5 members who have direct research, regulatory or policy experience with tobacco products, including preclinical and clinical research as well as regulatory issues. The Committee strives to have representation for researchers from different professional areas (e.g., NIH-funded researchers, representatives of NIDA and FDA, members of other professional organizations such as SRNT and APA). The Committee also invites additional guests with relevant experience to attend our annual committee meeting during the CPDD conference.

Committee Operations: The Committee will keep itself informed on current issues and public concerns regarding issues related to tobacco control and share information from related scientific and regulatory organizations with the CPDD Board of Directors and members. The Committee is concerned with any issue that will advance or impede the conduct of high quality tobacco control research.

Specifically, the Committee is charged to:

- Monitor, discuss and potentially disseminate to the CPDD Board of Directors and members any public discussion and activities of other professional organizations which have an impact on the conduct of tobacco research and related regulatory issues.
- Monitor federal legislation and regulatory actions which have an impact on these areas
- Obtain and disseminate resources and opportunities of benefit to members in the field, such as funding opportunities relevant to tobacco control research
- Meet annually in person at the CPDD meeting to review previous activities and to plan future efforts, with business during the rest of the year conducted by e-mail as needed
- Prepare reports for the mid-year meeting of the Board of Directors and the full Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting in June