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Folks,

Here are the proposed new demographic criteria, the protocol to monitor these criteria, and the charge to the peer reviewers. Please look these over, particularly the second paragraph on p. 5 in the proposed criteria, as we hope to have these available for public comment in the next few weeks via a notice of availability in the Federal Register.

What we are proposing is to have the protocol on specific monitoring methods posted on the IGBST website instead of part of these criteria to allow these monitoring protocols to be updated easily with new science and techniques. If the monitoring protocols are specified in the CS and the Recovery Plan demographic chapters, then updating them requires this type of public review process. Placing them on the IGBST website makes the techniques transparent and available while allowing them to be easily updated so the best methods and science available can be continuously applied.

If you have any big issues let us know as we are moving these forward soon.

Many thanks,  
Chris

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