Dr. B. Duane Price named Director of the Division of Receipt and Referral

CSR Director Dr. Noni Byrnes has announced the selection of Dr. B. Duane Price as Director of the CSR Division of Receipt and Referral (DRR).

Dr. Price joined CSR in February 2021 as the DRR Deputy Director and has been serving as the Acting DRR Director since November 2021. As DRR Director, Dr. Price will lead a staff of scientific and administrative professionals, oversee all aspects of DRR’s functions, and serve as a member of CSR’s executive leadership team. DRR is responsible for the initial processing and scientific referral of over 80,000 grant applications submitted to the NIH and other HHS agencies such as the Centers for Disease Control, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, and the Food and Drug Administration, each year. The division works closely with NIH institutes/centers and the broader extramural community to facilitate appropriate scientific assignments and timely, compliant application submissions.

Dr. Price brings a wealth of knowledge to this role as he has previously served in high-level positions involving program development, grants management, and review. Prior to joining CSR, he served as the Deputy Director of the Office of Grants Management and Scientific Review within the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences from 2017 to 2021. Additionally, from 2004 to 2017, Dr. Price served with increasing levels of responsibility as a scientific review officer within the Immunology Review Branch at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. Throughout his tenure with NIH, Dr. Price has been recognized for his contributions and impact on scientific review at not only the institute level, but also by NIH and HHS.

Prior to joining NIH, Dr. Price was a research assistant professor within the Department of Microbiology at the University of Alabama at Birmingham where his research was focused on a positive-sense RNA arbovirus, Nodamura virus (NoV). He did his postdoctoral training at the University of Wisconsin-Madison Institute for Molecular Virology where he conducted basic and applied research of the positive-sense RNA virus, Flock House virus (FHV). Dr. Price earned his Ph.D. in genetics at the University of Wisconsin–Madison, where he studied developmental biology in fruit flies.