

# Committee on Examining the Working Definition for Long COVID

## Seventh Committee Meeting

### Agenda

Thursday, January 18, 2024, 12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M. ET

**Background:** At the request of the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH) and the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR), a National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine committee will conduct activities to examine the current U.S. Government (USG) working definition for Long COVID and related technical terms.

The committee will integrate and synthesize information from the stakeholder engagement and information gathering to produce a letter report that will:

- **Review additional evidence for definitions of Long COVID;**
- **Consider efforts that have already been completed on this topic area;**
- **Recommend new definitions for Long COVID and related technical terms, with descriptions of the circumstances under which these new definitions and terminology should be adopted.**

**The committee will make recommendations to establish considerations for maintaining an up-to-date definition for Long COVID and related technical terms.**

### Objectives:

- Hear from experts about additional perspectives on defining Long COVID and implementation considerations for Long COVID definition/s.

## OPEN SESSION

### SESSION I Welcome and Introductions

#### 12:00 PM Welcome and Introductions

**Harvey Fineberg**, *Committee Chair*  
President  
Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation

**SESSION II      Information-Gathering to Inform Effort to Define Long COVID**

**12:05 PM**

**Long COVID Definition Considerations**

**Ravindra Ganesh**

Internist

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**Ryan Hurt**

Internist

Vice Chair of Practice and Vice Chair of Research

Mayo Clinic-Rochester

**12: 20 PM**

**Implementation Considerations for Long COVID Definition**

**Emily Mendenhall**

Medical Anthropologist

Professor in the Science, Technology, and International Affairs

Georgetown University

**12:30 PM**

**Discussion with Panelists**

**Harvey Fineberg, *Committee Chair***

President

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation

**1:00 PM**

**Adjourn Open Session**