



The flowchart is organized into swimlanes for different roles:

- Proposal Submitter:** Starts with a "Start" circle and a "Submit Proposal" task.
- Academy Staff:** Performs the "Forward proposal (semi-annually: Mar, Sept)" task.
- NCPTC Terminology Workgroup Chair/Lead:** Performs the "Assign Proposal to Workgroup member" task.
- NCPTC Terminology Workgroup Assignee:** Performs the "Conduct Checklist Review (10day timeframe)" task and the "Checklist criteria met?" decision.
- NCPTC Terminology Workgroup:** Performs the "Proposal has merit?" and "Engage consultant?" decisions, and the "Provide feedback for resubmission" task.
- Classification Advisory Workgroup:** Performs the "Conduct Metathesaurus review (within 90day timeframe)" task and the "Term or synonym exists?" decision.
- Nutrition Care Process & Terminology Committee:** Performs the "Engage consultative services" task and the "Forward recommendation" task, leading to the final "End" circle.

Decision paths include:

- If "Checklist criteria met?" is **No**, the process moves to "Proposal has merit?".
- If "Proposal has merit?" is **No**, the process ends at the top "End" circle.
- If "Proposal has merit?" is **Yes**, the process moves to "Engage consultant?".
- If "Engage consultant?" is **No**, the process moves to "Provide feedback for resubmission", which then leads to the top "End" circle.
- If "Engage consultant?" is **Yes**, the process moves to "Engage consultative services".
- If "Term or synonym exists?" is **Yes**, the process moves to "Engage consultative services".
- If "Term or synonym exists?" is **No**, the process moves to "Make recommendation add new term".
- "Engage consultative services" leads to three possible recommendations: "not to accept", "modify existing term", or "add new term".
- All recommendation paths eventually lead to the "Forward recommendation" task and the final "End" circle at the bottom right.