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Title: "College and University Affiliations Program".

Form Numbers: None.

Abstract: Under the College and University Affiliations Program, USIA offers grants-in-aid to support the development or enhancement of institutional partnerships between U.S. and foreign colleges and universities. The program promotes mutual understanding, strengthens research and teaching capabilities, and improves the academic curricula.

Proposed Frequency of Responses:

No. of Respondents—130
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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Scientific Review and Evaluation Board for Health Services Research and Development Service, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration, gives notice under Public Law 92-463, that the subcommittee for Small Investigator-Initiated Research (S-IIR) will hold a meeting at the Boston VA Medical Center HSR&D Conference Room, 150 S. Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA, on November 16, 1995. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to review research and development applications (with budgets less than \$100,000) concerned with the measurement and evaluation of health care systems and with testing new methods of health care delivery and management. Applications are reviewed for scientific and technical merit. Recommendations regarding their funding are prepared for the Associate Chief Medical Director for Research and Development.

This meeting will be open to the public (to the seating capacity of the room) for approximately one hour to

cover administrative matters and to discuss the general status of the program. The closed portion of the meeting involves discussion, examination, reference to, and oral review of staff and consultant critiques of research protocols, and similar documents. During this portion of the meeting, discussion and recommendations will deal with qualifications of personnel conducting the studies, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, as well as research information, the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency action regarding such research projects. As provided by the subsection 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, as amended by Public Law 94-409, closing portions of these meetings is in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) and (9)(B).

Due to the limited seating capacity of the room, those who plan to attend the open session should contact Mr. Bill Judy, Review Program Manager (12B3), Health Services Research and Development Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, (Techworld), Washington, DC 20420 (phone: 202.565.7425) at least five days before the meeting.

Dated: October 30, 1995.

By Direction of the Secretary,
Heyward Bannister,

Committee Management Officer.

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