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National Center for Environmental Health Strategic Directions; Public Meeting

The National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), announces the following meeting.

Name: National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) Strategic Directions—Public Meeting.

Time and Date: 8 a.m.–5 p.m., February 13, 1996.

Place: CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, Building 101, Rooms 1301A and 1301B, Chamblee, Georgia 30341-3724, telephone 770/488-7020.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 50.

Purpose: The purpose of this meeting is to provide a forum for individuals and organizations interested in NCEH's activities to provide feedback on the future direction of NCEH programs.

Matters To Be Discussed: NCEH is embarking on a planning effort to determine priorities and set the direction for future activities. Current NCEH program activities include the broad categories of birth defects and developmental disabilities surveillance and prevention; disabilities prevention; emergency response; environmental epidemiology; and environmental health laboratory sciences.

This individual feedback will be used by NCEH in its strategic planning efforts as dictated by the Government Performance and Results Act and as requested by Congress in fiscal year 1996 appropriations language.

Contact Person for Additional Information: Alison E. Kelly, Public Health Analyst, Office of Planning, Evaluation and Legislation (F29), NCEH, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway NE., Chamblee, Georgia 30341-3724, telephone 770/488-7250, fax 770/488-7024.

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National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Meeting

Pursuant to Pub. L. 92-463, The National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), announces the following committee meeting.

Name: National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS).

Times and Dates: 9 a.m.–5 p.m., March 12, 1996; 9 a.m.–5 p.m., March 13, 1996.

Place: Room 503A, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201

Status: Open.

Purpose: The purpose of this meeting is for the Committee to discuss its draft recommendations for core health data elements and definitions for enrollment and encounters, and its plans to submit them to the field for comment; to discuss the Committee's work plan for the coming year; to consider reports from each NCVHS subcommittee; to receive reports from offices of the Department of Health and Human Services and department-wide Data Council; and to address new business as appropriate.

Notice: In the interest of security, the Department has instituted stringent procedures for entrance to the Hubert H. Humphrey Building by non-government employees. Thus, persons without a government identification card should plan to arrive at the building each day either between 8:30 and 9:00 a.m. or 12:30 and 1:00 p.m. so they can be escorted to the meeting. Entrance to the meeting at other times during the day cannot be assured.

Contact Person for More Information: Substantive program information as well as summaries of the meeting and a roster of committee members may be obtained from Gail F. Fisher, Ph.D., Executive Secretary, NCVHS, NCHS, CDC, Room 1100, Presidential Building, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone 301/436-7050.

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Health Care Financing Administration

Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following proposal for the collection of information. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of

the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New; *Title of Information Collection:* National Provider System (NPS); *Form No.:* HCFA-R-187; *Use:* HHS is consolidating provider enumeration across programs. The NPS will be used in program operations and management to assign provider identification numbers; i.e., billing numbers for claims processing and payment. It will replace the current Medicare Physician and Eligibility System and Unique Physician Identifier Number; it will replace the enumeration functions of the Medicare Online Survey, Certification and Reporting System, Clinical Laboratories Improvement Amendments of 1988, and National Supplier Clearing House provider numbering systems. *Frequency:* On occasion; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, and State, local or tribal government; *Number of Respondents:* 45,000; *Total Annual Hours Requested:* 23,000. To request copies of the proposed paperwork collection referenced above, E-mail your request, including your address, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections should be sent within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB Desk Officer designated at the following address: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

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National Institutes of Health

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Notice of a Closed Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following Heart,