

VI. Impact Statement

HCFA has examined the impact of this notice as required by Executive Order 12866. Executive Order 12866 directs agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, when rules are necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic environments, public health and safety, other advantages, distributive impacts, and equity). We believe that this notice is consistent with the regulatory philosophy and principles identified in the Executive Order.

This notice merely provides advance notification of the reserved FY 1998 State allotments available to provide Federal funding to individual States, Commonwealths, and Territories for expenditures in the new Children's Health Insurance Program and the assumption and methodology that HCFA used to determine these reserved allotments. The formula for State allotments is specified in the statute. This notice by itself has no economic impact. Final allotments will be calculated using the statutory formula and may vary from these reserved amounts depending upon the number of States that submit approved State plans under title XXI. (As noted above, the allotment process will be set forth in more detail in future rule making.)

We believe this notice will have an overall positive impact by informing States of the extent to which they will be permitted to expend funds under approved State child health plans in FY 1998. States will be able to conduct advance planning necessary for implementation of the State Child Health Insurance Program if they choose, beginning October 1, 1997.

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12866, this notice was reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

(Section 1102 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1302)

Dated: September 8, 1997.

Bruce C. Vladeck,
Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

Dated: September 9, 1997.

Donna E. Shalala,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention****Request for Nominations of Candidates To Serve on the National Vaccine Advisory Committee, Department of Health and Human Services**

The Public Health Service (PHS) is soliciting nominations for possible membership on the National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC). This committee studies and recommends ways to encourage the availability of an adequate supply of safe and effective vaccination products in the States; recommends research priorities and other measures the Director of the National Vaccine Program should take to enhance the safety and efficacy of vaccines; advises the Director of the Program in the implementation of sections 2102, 2103, and 2104, of the PHS Act; and identifies annually, for the Director of the Program, the most important areas of government and non-government cooperation that should be considered in implementing sections 2102, 2103, and 2104, of the PHS Act.

Nominations are being sought for individuals engaged in vaccine research or the manufacture of vaccines or who are physicians, members of parent organizations concerned with immunizations, or representatives of State or local health agencies or public health organizations. Federal employees will not be considered for membership. Members may be invited to serve a four-year term.

Close attention will be given to minority and female representation; therefore nominations from these groups are encouraged.

The following information is requested: name, affiliation, address, telephone number, and a current curriculum vitae. Nominations should be sent, in writing, and postmarked by September 26, 1997, to: Felecia D. Pearson, Committee Management Specialist, NVAC, National Vaccine Program Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, NE, M/S D50, Atlanta, Georgia 30333. Telephone and facsimile submissions cannot be accepted.

Dated: September 4, 1997.

Carolyn J. Russell,
Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration****Supplement to the Cooperative Agreement With the National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors, Inc.**

AGENCY: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of a revision to a previous **Federal Register** Notice regarding a planned single source supplemental award.

SUMMARY: SAMHSA's **Federal Register** notice (Vol. 62, No. 133), dated July 11, 1997, regarding a planned single source supplemental award is revised as follows:

In the third paragraph, revise the first sentence to read:

In view of the above considerations, SAMHSA has determined that a supplement to the existing cooperative agreement is the most effective way to assist the States by developing a detailed inventory of prevention activities, an inventory and analysis of each State's data capability, and a project to further the development of existing mentoring programs for youth and build on the existing infrastructure of mentoring programs throughout the country.

Following the fifth paragraph add the following:

The supplement related to mentoring is intended to assist the States in strengthening existing mentoring programs for youth and building on the existing infrastructure of mentoring programs throughout the development of Statewide mentoring initiatives. This project is not intended to recreate or compete with the mentoring network, but rather to focus existing resources to support, strengthen, promote and enhance the ability of the current mentoring network to accomplish its goals. Experience has shown the strength of mentoring in reducing alcohol and drug use, teen pregnancy, academic failure and gang participation and its associated violent behavior. Further, mentoring is a key prevention strategy that can be implemented across multiple service systems to target specific problems that affect society. This mentoring project is intended to provide certain State alcohol and drug agencies with the support and guidance through training and technical assistance to initiate and/or grow their own Statewide mentoring initiatives,