

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.bog.frb.fed.us> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: December 5, 1997.

William W. Wiles,

Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency For Health Care Policy And Research

Contract Review Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR) announces the following technical review committee to meet during the month of December 1997:

Name: Technical Review Committee for the AHCPR User Liaison Program Dissemination Support Contracts.

Date and Time: December 17-18, 1997, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Place: Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, Executive Office Building, 6th Floor (East Wing) Conference Rooms, Room 2 on December 17; Room 1 on December 18, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Rockville, MD 20852.

This meeting will be closed to the public.

Purpose: The Technical Review Committee's charge is to provide, on behalf of the AHCPR Contracts Review Committee, recommendations to the Administrator, AHCPR, regarding the technical merit of contract proposals submitted in response to a specific Request for Proposals for the User Liaison Program (ULP) Dissemination Support contracts.

The purpose of these contracts is to provide for the timely and effective transmission of relevant health services research findings and related descriptive and programmatic information to a broad spectrum of selected public and private users of health services research to assist them in managing more effectively the problems and issues that confront them with respect to the design, delivery, quality, evaluation, and financing of health services. In performance of these contracts, the contractors shall plan, develop, and conduct workshops, seminars, and meetings and prepare research syntheses, background papers, or technical assistance documents on health policy issues for

selected target audiences. The target audiences of users of health services research include state and local officials; health care consumers, purchasers, plans, practitioners, and policymakers (including Federal executive branch officials). In planning and conducting workshops, the contractors will be responsible for not only conducting comprehensive and objective assessments of relevant information, but also for effectively presenting such information in a manner which is tailored to the particular needs of the selected target audience(s).

Agenda: The Committee meeting will be devoted entirely to the technical review and evaluation of contract proposals submitted in response to the above referenced Request for Proposals. The Administrator, AHCPR, has made a formal determination that this meeting will not be open to the public. This action is necessary to protect the free and full exchange of views in the contract evaluation process and safeguard confidential proprietary information, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals that may be discussed during the meeting. This action is taken in accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6), 41 CFR Section 101-6.1023 and Department procurement regulations, 48 CFR section 315.604(d).

Anyone wishing to obtain information regarding this meeting should contact Marcia Clark, User Liaison Program, Center for Health Information Dissemination, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Suite 401, Rockville, Maryland 20852, 301/594-6668.

Dated: December 3, 1997.

John M. Eisenberg,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Advisory Committee; Science Board to the Food and Drug Administration; Formation of a Subcommittee

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the formation of a subcommittee of the Science Board to the Food and Drug Administration (Science Board). The subcommittee entitled "Subcommittee for Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research Review" has been established to address scientific issues related to the research programs conducted by the FDA's Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research. The subcommittee's findings will be presented to the

Science Board for full public discussion at a future meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan K. Meadows, Office of Science (HF-32), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-3340.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FDA is announcing the formation of a subcommittee of the Science Board. This subcommittee has been established to address issues related to the scientific quality, mission relevance, and scientific management and leadership of the research programs conducted by FDA's Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research. The subcommittee will hold its meeting(s) over the next 3 to 4 months to collect information on biologics research programs, to conduct an external peer review of biologics research for quality and relevance, and to assess an annual programmatic prioritization model. The subcommittee's findings will be presented to the Science Board for full public discussion at a future meeting that will be announced in the **Federal Register** prior to the meeting. This notice is issued under the Federal Advisory Committee Act of October 6, 1972 (Pub. L. 92-463 (5 U.S.C. app. 2)).

Dated: December 4, 1997.

Michael A. Friedman,

Deputy Commissioner for Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Advisory Committee; Science Board to the Food and Drug Administration; Formation of a Subcommittee

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the formation of a subcommittee of the Science Board to the Food and Drug Administration (Science Board). The subcommittee entitled "Board of Scientific Counselors" has been established to address scientific issues related to the research programs conducted by the Food and Drug Administration. The subcommittee's findings will be presented to the Science Board for full public discussion at future meetings.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan K. Meadows, Office of Science