

**FEDERAL EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT AGENCY****[FEMA-1194-DR]****The Commonwealth of the Northern
Mariana Islands; Amendment to Notice
of a Major Disaster Declaration****AGENCY:** Federal Emergency
Management Agency (FEMA).**ACTION:** Notice.**SUMMARY:** This notice amends the notice
of a major disaster for the
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana
Islands (FEMA-1194-DR), dated
December 24, 1997, and related
determinations.**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 2, 1998.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**Madge Dale, Response and Recovery
Directorate, Federal Emergency
Management Agency, Washington, DC
20472, (202) 646-3260.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is
hereby given that the incident period for
this disaster is closed effective
December 17, 1997.(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No.
83.516, Disaster Assistance)**Lacy E. Suiter,***Executive Associate Director, Response and
Recovery Directorate.*

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BILLING CODE 6718-02-P**FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM****Sunshine Act Meeting****AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Board of
Governors of the Federal Reserve
System.**TIME AND DATE:** 10:00 a.m., Wednesday,
January 21, 1998.**PLACE:** Marriner S. Eccles Federal
Reserve Board Building, 20th and C
Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.**STATUS:** Closed.**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any matters carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Joseph R. Coyne, Assistant to the Board;
202-452-3204.**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 bankholding 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: January 14, 1998.

Jennifer J. Johnson,*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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BILLING CODE 6210-01-P**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES****Agency for Health Care Policy and
Research****Meeting of the National Advisory
Council for Health Care Policy,
Research, and Evaluation****AGENCY:** Agency for Health Care Policy
and Research, HHS.**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section
10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee
Act, this notice announces a meeting of
the National Advisory Council for
Health Care Policy, Research, and
Evaluation.**DATES:** The meeting will be held on
Thursday, February 12, 1998 from 9:00
a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at
the Natcher Conference Center, National
Institutes of Health, 45 Center Drive,
Bethesda, MD 20892.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**Nancy Foster, Coordinator of the
Advisory Council at the Agency for
Health Care Policy and Research, 2101
East Jefferson Street, Suite 502,
Rockville, MD 20852, (301) 594-1349
ext. 1307.If sign language interpretation or other
reasonable accommodation for a
disability is needed, please contact
Linda Reeves, Assistant Administrator
for Equal Opportunity, AHCPR, on (301)
594-6655 ext. 1055 no later than
February 8, 1998.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Purpose**Section 921 of the Public Health
Service Act (42 U.S.C. 299c) establishes
the National Advisory Council for
Health Care Policy, Research, and
Evaluation. The Council provides
advice to the Secretary and the
Administrator, Agency for Health Care
Policy and Research (AHCPR), on
matters related to AHCPR activities toenhance the quality, appropriateness,
and effectiveness of health care services
and access to such services through
scientific research and the promotion of
improvements in clinical practice and
in the organization, financing, and
delivery of health care services.The Council is composed of members
of the public appointed by the Secretary
and Federal ex-officio members.**II. Agenda**On Thursday, February 12, 1998, the
meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m., with the
call to order by the Council Chairman.
The Administrator, AHCPR, will update
the status of current Agency funding,
programs, and initiatives. The Council
will then discuss strategic directions for
the Agency, ethical dilemmas in health
services research, and how to assure
AHCPR research is meeting the needs of
clinicians.The meeting will adjourn at 4:00 p.m.
Agenda items are subject to change as
priorities dictate.

Dated: January 9, 1998.

John M. Eisenberg,*Administrator.*

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BILLING CODE 4160-90-M**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES****Food and Drug Administration****Arthritis Advisory Committee; Notice
of Meeting****AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration,
HHS.**ACTION:** Notice.This notice announces a forthcoming
meeting of a public advisory committee
of the Food and Drug Administration
(FDA). The meeting is open to the
public.*Name of Committee:* Arthritis
Advisory Committee.*General Function of the Committee:*
To provide advice and
recommendations to the agency on FDA
regulatory issues.*Date and Time:* The meeting will be
held on February 20, 1998, 8 a.m. to 5
p.m.*Location:* Holiday Inn, Versailles
Ballrooms I and II, 8120 Wisconsin
Ave., Bethesda, MD.*Contact Person:* Kathleen R. Reedy or
LaNise S. Giles, Center for Drug
Evaluation and Research (HFD-21),
Food and Drug Administration, 5600
Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857,
301-443-5455, or FDA Advisory
Committee Information Line, 1-800-