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Registration: Send registration information (including name, title, organization, address, telephone, and fax number) to the contact person by March 16, 1998.

If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Michael D. Anderson at least 7 days in advance.

Supplementary Information: The purpose of the Forum is to provide an opportunity for consumers and patients to meet with FDA officials to express their views and concerns on regulatory and consumer protection policies and patient protection issues.

Transcripts: Transcripts of the meeting may be requested in writing from the Freedom of Information Office (HF1-35), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 12A-16, Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after the meeting at a cost of 10 cents per page.

Dated: March 4, 1998.

William K. Hubbard,

Associate Commissioner for Policy Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 93N-0453]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Announcement of OMB Approval

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a collection of information entitled "Human Tissue Intended for Transplantation" has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: JonnaLynn P. Capezzuto, Office of Information Resources Management

(HFA-250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-4659.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of December 11, 1997 (62 FR 65277), the agency announced that the proposed information collection had been submitted to OMB for review and clearance under section 3507 of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3507). An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has now approved the information collection and has assigned OMB control number 0910-0302. The approval expires on February 28, 2001.

Dated: March 2, 1998.

William B. Schultz,

Deputy Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

[HCFA-2021-N]

New and Pending Demonstration Project Proposals Submitted Pursuant to Section 1115(a) of the Social Security Act: December 1997 and January 1998

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: One new proposal for a Medicaid demonstration project was submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services during the month of January 1998 under the authority of section 1115 of the Social Security Act. No proposals were received during the month of December 1997. No proposals were approved, disapproved or withdrawn during that time period. (This notice can be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.hcfa.gov/cmso/sect1115.htm>.)

COMMENTS: We will accept written comments on this proposal. We will, if feasible, acknowledge receipt of all comments, but we will not provide written responses to comments. We will, however, neither approve nor disapprove any new proposal for at least 30 days after the date of this notice to allow time to receive and consider comments. Direct comments as indicated below.

ADDRESSES: Mail correspondence to: Gloria Smiddy, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, Health Care Financing

Administration, Mail Stop C3-18-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gloria Smiddy, (410) 786-7723.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (the Act), the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) may consider and approve research and demonstration proposals with a broad range of policy objectives. These demonstrations can lead to improvements in achieving the purposes of the Act.

In exercising her discretionary authority, the Secretary has developed a number of policies and procedures for reviewing proposals. On September 27, 1994, we published a notice in the **Federal Register** (59 FR 49249) that specified (1) the principles that we ordinarily will consider when approving or disapproving demonstration projects under the authority in section 1115(a) of the Act; (2) the procedures we expect States to use in involving the public in the development of proposed demonstration projects under section 1115; and (3) the procedures we ordinarily will follow in reviewing demonstration proposals. We are committed to a thorough and expeditious review of State requests to conduct such demonstrations.

As part of our procedures, we publish a notice in the **Federal Register** with a monthly listing of all new submissions, pending proposals, approvals, disapprovals, and withdrawn proposals. Proposals submitted in response to grant solicitation or other competitive process is reported as received during the month that such grants or bid is awarded, so as to prevent interference with the awards process.

II. Listing of New, Pending, Approved, Disapproved, and Withdrawn Proposals for the Months of December 1997 and January 1998

A. Comprehensive Health Reform Programs

1. New Proposal

The following comprehensive health reform proposal was received during the month of January 1998.

Demonstration Title/State: BadgerCare/Wisconsin.

Description: The State submitted a proposal that would use a combination of title XIX and title XXI funding to ensure access to health care for all children and parents in uninsured families with incomes below 185