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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Science Board to the Food and Drug Administration; 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). At least one portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

Name of Committee: Science Board to the Food and Drug Administration.

General Function of the Committee: To provide advice and recommendations to the agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

Date and Time: The meeting will be held on October 21, 1998, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: Washington Plaza Hotel, Washington Room, 10 Thomas Circle, NW., Washington, DC.

Contact Person: Susan K. Meadows, Office of Science (HF-32), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-4591, or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1-800-741-8138 (301-443-0572 in the Washington, DC area), code 12603. Please call the Information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting.

Agenda: Information will be presented to the board regarding broad scientific and technical issues including: (1) A proposal for review of research conducted at the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, (2) the process for external peer review of research programs, (3) operational models for FDA science and research management and coordination, and (4) scientific issues of interest to FDA stakeholders.

Procedure: On October 21, 1998, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending

before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by October 1, 1998. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled between approximately 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person by October 1, 1998, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time requested to make their presentation.

Closed Committee Deliberations: On October 21, 1998, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., the meeting will be closed to permit discussion where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6)). The board will discuss nominations for the FDA Awards for Scientific Achievement. Such discussion in a public meeting would disclose information of a personal nature and would constitute an invasion of personal privacy.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2).

Dated: September 10, 1998.

William B. Schultz,

Acting Commissioner of Food and Drugs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration.

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, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this 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.

Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 435.940-435.965; *Form No.:* HCFA-R-0074 (OMB# 0938-0467); *Use:* Section 1137 of the Social Security Act requires Medicaid State agencies and other federally funded welfare agencies to request income and resource data from certain federal agencies, State wage information collection agencies, and State unemployment compensation agencies through an IEVS. The purpose of the IEVS is to ensure that only eligible individuals receive benefits.; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* State, local, or tribal government; *Number of Respondents:* 54; *Total Annual Responses:* 54; *Total Annual Hours:* 131,390.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 60 days of this notice directly to the HCFA Paperwork Clearance Officer designated at the following address: HCFA, Office of Information Services, Security and Standards Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards, Attention: Louis Blank, Room N2-14-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

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