

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Institute of Standards and Technology****Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award's Board of Overseers**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, DOC.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Board of Overseers of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award on Thursday, December 3, 1998, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The Board of Overseers consists of twelve members prominent in the field of quality management and appointed by the Secretary of Commerce, assembled to advise the Secretary of Commerce on the conduct of the Baldrige Award. The purpose of the meeting on December 3, 1998, will be for the Board of Overseers to discuss and review information received from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) with the chairperson of the Judges Panel of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, a discussion of pilot on site with oral feedback, proposed to create previous winners categories, and to present recommendations to the NIST Director.

**DATES:** The meeting will convene December 3, 1998, at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn at 3:30 p.m. on December 3, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Administration Building Conference Room (seating capacity 36, includes 24 participants), Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Harry Hertz, Director, National Quality Program, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899, telephone number (301) 975-2361.

Dated: November 6, 1998.

**Robert E. Hebner,**

*Acting Deputy Director.*

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**CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION****Sunshine Act Meeting**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207.

**TIME AND DATE:** Thursday, November 19, 1998 3:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Room 410 B/C, East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

**STATUS:** Closed to the Public.

**MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:**

**Compliance Status Report**

The staff will brief the Commission on the status of various compliance matters.

For a recorded message containing the latest agenda information, call (301) 504-0709.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Sadye E. Dunn, Office of the Secretary, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20207 (301) 504-0800.

Dated: November 9, 1998.

**Sadye E. Dunn,**

*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Office of the Secretary****Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

In accordance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs announces the proposed extension of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed extension of collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received January 12, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations on the information collection should be sent to Tricare Management Activity, Office of General Counsel, 16401 E. Centretch Parkway, Attn: Robert Shepherd, Aurora, CO 80011.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

To request more information on this proposed information collection, please write to the above address or call Tricare Management Activity, Office of General Counsel at (303) 676-3703.

*Title Associated With Form, and OMB Number:* Statement of Personal Injury—Possible Third Party Liability Champus, DD Form 2527, OMB Number 0720-0003.

*Needs and Uses:* This information collection is completed by CHAMPUS beneficiaries suffering from personal injuries and receiving medical care at Government expense. The information is necessary in the assertion of the Government's right to recovery under the Federal Medical Care Recovery Act. The data is used in the evaluation and processing of these claims.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or household, Federal government.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 17,300.

*Number of Respondents:* 29,500.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden per Response:* 35 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion, only when a beneficiary is insured under circumstances creating possible liability in a third party.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Summary of Information Collection**

The Federal Medical Care Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 2651-2653 as implemented by Executive Order No. 11060 and 28 C.F.R. 43 provides for recovery of the reasonable value of medical care provided by the United States to a person who is injured or suffers a disease under circumstances creating tort liability in some third person. DD Form 2527 is required for investigating and asserting claims in favor of the United States arising out of such incidents.

When a claim for CHAMPUS benefits is identified as involving possible third party liability and the information is not submitted with the claim, TRICARE/CHAMPUS contractor requests that the injured party (or a designee) complete DD Form 2527. To protect the interests of the Government, the contractor suspends claims processing until the requested third party liability information is received. The contractor conducts a preliminary evaluation based upon the collection of information and refers the case to a designated appropriate legal officer of the Uniformed Services. The responsible Uniformed Services legal officer uses the information as a basis for asserting and settling the Government's claim. When appropriate, the information is