

requirements defined by the Joint Financial Management Improvement Program (JFMIP). This is the fourth in a series of checklists that may be used as tools to help agencies review their financial management systems and assist auditors with their responsibilities under the Federal Financial Management Improvement Act (FFMIA) of 1996. Although this checklist is not required to be used by agencies, this notice indicates that the checklist is available from GAO for immediate use.

DATES: January 19, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the cost accounting checklist are available by (1) pick-up at Document Distribution, U.S. General Accounting Office, Room 1100, 700 4th Street, NW. (corner of 4th and G Streets, NW.), Washington, DC; (2) mail from U.S. General Accounting Office, P.O. Box 37050, Washington, DC 20013; (3) phone at 202-512-6000 or FAX 202-512-6061 or TDD 202-512-2537; or (4) on GAO's home page (<http://www.gao.gov>) on the Internet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert W. Gramling, 202-512-9406.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FFMIA requires, among other things, that agencies implement and maintain financial management systems that substantially comply with federal financial management systems requirements. These system requirements are detailed in the Financial Management Systems Requirements series issued by JFMIP and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-127, Financial Management Systems.

The JFMIP requirements documents identify: (1) a framework for financial management systems, (2) core financial systems requirements, and (3) 16 other systems that support agency operations. To date, JFMIP has issued the framework and core documents, and 7 of the 16 systems (inventory, seized/forfeited asset, direct loan, guaranteed loan, travel, personnel-payroll, and managerial cost accounting). In addition to the cost accounting checklist, GAO has issued three other checklists (Framework for Federal Financial Management System Checklist (GAO/AIMD-98-21.2.1), Core Financial System Checklist (GAO/AIMD-98-21.2.2), and Inventory System Checklist (GAO/AIMD-98-21.2.4)). GAO plans to issue a checklist for each of the JFMIP systems requirements documents as the existing ones are updated and new ones are issued. This checklist, issued in final, was initially issued as an exposure draft and the comments received were analyzed and considered.

OMB Circular A-127 and OMB's Implementation Guidance for the Federal Financial Management Improvement Act (FFMIA) of 1996, issued September 9, 1997, provide the basis for assessing compliance with the FFMIA requirement of agencies to implement and maintain financial management systems that comply substantially with federal requirements. OMB's guidance provides indicators for chief financial officers and inspectors general to assist them in determining whether the agency's financial management systems substantially comply with federal financial management systems requirements. The annual assurance statement required pursuant to section 4 of the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act is one of those indicators. Agencies can use GAO's checklists to help determine annual compliance with section 4 of the Integrity Act.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The Translation Advisory Committee for Diabetes Prevention and Control Programs; Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following committee meeting.

Name: Translation Advisory Committee for Diabetes Prevention and Control Programs.

Times and Dates: 9 a.m.-6 p.m., March 16, 1999; 9 a.m.-1 p.m., March 17, 1999.

Place: Renaissance Atlanta Hotel
Downtown, 590 W. Peachtree Street, NW,
Atlanta, Georgia 30308, telephone 404/881-6000.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 50 people.

Purpose: This committee is charged with advising the Director, CDC, regarding policy issues and broad strategies for diabetes translation activities and control programs designed to reduce risk factors, health services utilization, costs, morbidity, and mortality associated with diabetes and its complications. The Committee identifies research advances and technologies ready for translation into widespread community practice; recommends broad public health strategies to be implemented through public health interventions; identifies opportunities

for surveillance and epidemiologic assessment of diabetes and related complications; and for the purpose of assuring the most effective use and organization of resources, maintains liaison and coordination of programs within the Federal, voluntary, and private sectors involved in the provision of services to people with diabetes.

Matters To Be Discussed: Agenda items include the discussion of public health issues pertinent to risk stratification as it applies to diabetes mellitus in the Division of Diabetes Translation priorities.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person for More Information: Norma Loner, Committee Management Specialist, Division of Diabetes Translation, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, M/S K-10, Atlanta, Georgia 30341-3717, telephone 770/488-5376.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign Federal Register Notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Project

Title: Year 2000 Systems Compliance Report to the Department of Health and Human Services.

OMB No.: 0970-0191.

Description: Report the Year 2000 readiness of the State systems that support States' (Child Care, Child Support Enforcement, Child Welfare, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) programs CORE functions. For each program, identify the major functions that must be operational for the program to operate successfully; provide the status of the State's effort to make the automated systems, which support the functions Year 2000 ready.

Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Annual Burden Estimates: