

procedural and other information about the meeting.

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**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Associate Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services Announces the Following Advisory Committee Meeting.

*Name:* National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS), Workgroup on Computer-based Patient Records.

*Time and Date:* 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., May 17, 1999; 9 a.m.-5 p.m., May 18, 1999.

*Place:* Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR), AHCPR Conference Center, Conference Rooms C and D, 6010 Executive Boulevard, 4th Floor, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Status:* Open.

*Purpose:* At this meeting, the workgroup will hear a series of panel presentations on clinical vocabularies, terminologies, statistical classifications and code sets, clinical specific code sets, medical code sets, nursing code sets, and drug and device code sets.

*Contact Person for More Information:* Substantive program information as well as summaries of meetings and a roster of committee members may be obtained from J. Michael Fitzmaurice, Ph.D., Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, 2101 East Jefferson Street, #602, Rockville, MD 20852, phone: 301-594-1483, x1052; or Marjorie S. Greenberg, Executive Secretary, NCVHS, NCHS, CDC, Room 1100, Presidential Building, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone (301) 436-7050. Information also is available on the NCVHS home page of the HHS website: <http://aspe.os.dhhs.gov/ncvhs>, where an agenda for the meeting will be posted when available.

Dated: May 4, 1999.

**James Scanlon,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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### Availability of the Document, Draft Agenda for Public Health Activities for Fiscal Years 1999 and 2000 at U.S. Department of Energy Sites

**AGENCIES:** Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry jointly announces with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Office of Environment, Safety, and Health of the Department of Energy, the availability for public comment of the document, Draft Agenda for Public Health Activities for Fiscal Years 1999 and 2000 at U.S. Department of Energy Sites.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by June 30, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** The document is available by contacting the Chief, Program Evaluation, Records, and Information Services Branch, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, 1600 Clifton Road (E-56), Atlanta, GA 30333. Please submit written comments relating to the document to the same location. Generally, comments submitted will be available to the public upon request. Information submitted which is claimed as personal, medical, or otherwise confidential and proprietary must be clearly marked as such. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with 45 CFR Part 5.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Further information may be obtained from the location noted above, as well as on the INTERNET websites for ATSDR, CDC, or DOE. These are: <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/>; <http://www.cdc.gov/>; and <http://tis.eh.doe.gov/epi/>, respectively.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Congress included language in the Conference Report to the Fiscal Year 1999 Appropriations Bill for the Department of Energy which directed DOE and the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to prepare a consolidated and coherent strategy that

includes a public health agenda for each DOE site.

The Department of Health and Human Services conducts epidemiologic investigations involving residents of communities in the vicinity of DOE facilities, workers at DOE facilities, and other persons potentially exposed to radiation and other hazards relevant to nuclear weapons production and research. ATSDR has specific responsibilities for public health activities at DOE sites under sections 104, 105, 107, and 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or "Superfund"). These activities include: health consultations and public health assessments at DOE sites listed on, or proposed for, the Superfund National Priorities List and at sites that are the subject of petitions from the public; and other health-related activities such as epidemiologic studies, health surveillance, exposure and disease registries, health education, substance-specific applied research, emergency response, and preparation of toxicological profiles.

CDC and ATSDR have been working with DOE to develop a public health agenda that includes specific site plans for each DOE site, and that lays out a coordinated activity plan based on public health needs established by HHS and DOE. This draft agenda is being made available for public comment, so as to secure the benefit of public review and input before finalizing each site plan.

This document, Draft Agenda for Public Health Activities for Fiscal Years 1999 and 2000 at U.S. Department of Energy Sites, and its availability for public comment are being announced through this **Federal Register** notice.

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**Georgi Jones,**

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