

A. Reserve Bank ACH Customers

1. Given the limitations on the types of entities that are eligible to receive Reserve Bank payment services, how should the ACH service be structured to address the differences in the way that the Reserve Banks' and PSOs' customer bases are defined?

2. Should the Reserve Banks continue to consider the ODFI and RDFI for ACH transactions they process to be their customers, and charge them accordingly, even though the institution sent the transactions through or received the transactions from a PSO? If not, why not?

B. Price Structure

1. Should the Reserve Banks charge lower fees for ACH transactions that are also processed by a PSO than they do for ACH transactions in which the Reserve Banks are the only ACH operator? If so, on what basis should the different fees be set? For example, should the Reserve Banks offer different ACH service levels for transactions also involving a PSO?

2. Should the Reserve Banks pay transaction fees to PSOs that send files to the Federal Reserve and transaction and file fees to PSOs that receive files from the Federal Reserve? What services do the PSOs provide to Reserve Banks that would justify the payment of fees to PSOs? Would market discipline constrain the fees charged by PSOs to Reserve Banks? If so, how?

3. Should the Reserve Banks continue to assess the ACH account servicing fee to customers that exclusively use PSOs to send transactions to and receive transactions from the Reserve Banks? If not, what would be the rationale for eliminating the fee for the PSOs' customers?

C. Deposit Deadlines and Processing Schedule

1. What are the benefits and drawbacks of the Reserve Banks establishing different deposit and delivery deadlines for PSOs and depository institutions?

D. Correspondent Banks and Third-party Processors

1. If the Reserve Banks were to modify their price structure or deadlines to treat transactions also processed by PSOs differently, should this treatment be limited to transactions processed by PSOs or expanded to other ACH transactions, such as those sent or received by correspondent banks or third-party processors? Why or why not? Do the arguments to modify Reserve Bank practices regarding PSOs also apply to other entities that act as

sending and receiving points for multiple institutions? Why or why not?

2. How should the Reserve Banks determine the entities that qualify for treatment as PSOs if the Reserve Banks were to modify the terms of their ACH services to treat transactions involving PSOs (but not correspondent banks and third-party processors) differently?

E. Other Implications

1. What are the implications on competition, the efficiency of the ACH system, and overall ACH volume growth if the Reserve Banks were to modify their price structure or deadlines to treat transactions processed by PSOs differently than those received from or sent to other parties?

2. To the extent that you are suggesting modifications to the Reserve Banks' ACH service, please indicate whether and how those modifications are likely to affect competition in the provision of ACH services, the efficiency of the ACH system, and the growth of the ACH system.

By order of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 17, 1999.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 26, 1999.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any matters carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates

procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: May 19, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collections; Comment Request

The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary will periodically publish summaries of proposed information collections projects and solicit public comments in compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. To request more information on the project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plans and instruments, call the OS Reports Clearance Officer on (202) 690-6207.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Proposed Projects 1. Evaluation of the Proposed Cash and Counseling Demonstration—New—Cash and Counseling is a consumer directed care model for individuals with physical or development disabilities. A demonstration project implementing this model is being evaluated by the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation. This portion of the evaluation consists of four information collection instruments. *Respondents:* Individuals or households, for-profit, non-profit institutions; *Burden Information for Informal Caregiver Survey—Number of Respondents:* 8,000; *Burden per Response:* .38 hours; *Total Burden for Informal Caregiver Survey:* 3,040 hours—*Burden Information for Paid Worker Survey—Number of Respondents:* 800; *Burden per*

Response: .5 hours; Total Burden for Paid Worker Survey: 400 hours—Burden Information for Consultant Survey—Number of Respondents: 400; Burden per Response .58 hours; Total Burden for Consultant Survey: 200 hour—Burden Information for Ethnographic Discussion Guide—Number of Respondents: 300; Burden per Response: 1 hours; Total Burden for Ethnographic Discussion Guide: 300 hours—Total Burden: 3,940 hours.

Send comments to Cynthia Agens Bauer, OS Reports Clearance Officer, Room 503H, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington DC, 20201. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: May 13, 1999.

Dennis P. Williams,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Budget.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Availability of Draft Guidelines for Prevention of Opportunistic Infections in Persons Infected With Human Immunodeficiency Virus

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of a draft document entitled "1999 USPHS/IDSA Guidelines for the Prevention of Opportunistic Infections in Persons Infected with Human Immunodeficiency Virus," prepared by representatives of the U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS), the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA), and additional representatives of Federal agencies, universities, professional societies, and community organizations, for review and comment.

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments on this draft document must be received on or before June 1, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The draft document is available on the World-Wide Web site of the AIDS Treatment and Information Service (<http://www.hivatis.org>). Requests for hardcopies of the document may be submitted to the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention, Mailstop E-49, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA 30333; telephone (404) 639-2072, FAX

(404) 639-2007. Written comments on this draft document should be sent to the above address for receipt by June 1, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, Mailstop E-49, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA 30333; telephone (404) 639-2072, FAX (404) 639-2007.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Opportunistic infections constitute a major cause of morbidity and mortality in persons infected with human immunodeficiency virus. The draft 1999 Guidelines, prepared by the United States Public Health Services, the Infectious Diseases Society of America, and representatives of Federal agencies, universities, professional societies, and community organizations, represent an update of guidelines published in 1995 and in 1997. They include recommendations to prevent major parasitic, bacterial, mycotic, and viral infections in the era of highly active antiretroviral therapy (HAART). They address prevention of disease by chemoprophylaxis and vaccination and prevention of exposure to opportunistic pathogens. They also address discontinuing chemoprophylaxis against specific pathogens when the CD4+ lymphocyte count has increased in response to HAART.

Dated: May 17, 1999.

Joseph R. Carter,

Associated Director for Management and Operations, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

[Notice of Program Announcement No. ACF/ACYF 99-04]

Fiscal Year 1999 Discretionary Announcement for Head Start Partnerships With Historically Black Colleges and Universities

AGENCY: Administration for Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), DHHS.

ACTION: Notice of announcement of the availability of funds and request for applications for training grants for Historically Black Colleges and Universities in Partnership with Head Start and Early Head Start Grantees.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF) announces the availability of \$875,000 in funds for Head Start Training Partnerships with Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). The purpose is to utilize the capability of these institutions of higher education to improve the quality and long term effectiveness of Head Start and Early Head Start grantees and delegate agencies by developing models of academic training and forming partnerships between the HBCUs and Head Start and Early Head Start. Priority will be given to HBCUs that propose partnerships that will focus on increasing the number of center-based teachers with AA, BA or advanced degrees in early childhood education.

DATES: The closing date and time for receipt of applications is 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time Zone) July 20, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: A copy of the program announcement and necessary application forms can be obtained by contacting: HBCUs, ACYF Operation Center, 1815 North Fort Myer Drive, Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22209. The telephone number is 1-800-351-2293 (acyf).

Copies of the program announcement can be downloaded from the Head Start web site at: www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/hsb.

Eligible Applicants: Historically Black Colleges and Universities as defined in Executive Order 12876. Current grantees are eligible to apply.

Project Duration: Awards, on a competitive basis, will be for a one-year budget period; project periods will be for four years.

Federal Share of Projects. The maximum Federal share for each project is not to exceed \$150,000 per year. Although there are no matching requirements, applicants are encouraged to provide non-Federal contributions to the project.

Estimated Number of Projects to be Funded. It is anticipated that up to eight projects will be funded.

Statutory Authority. The Head Start Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C.9831 *et seq.* (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance: Number 93.600, Head Start)

Dated: April 29, 1999.

Patricia Montoya,

Commissioner, Administration on Children, Youth and Families.

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