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Contact Person for More Information: Substantive information as well as summaries of NCVHS meetings and a roster of committee members may be obtained by visiting the NCVHS website (<http://aspe.os.dhhs.gov/ncvhs>) where an agenda for the meeting will be posted when available. Additional information may be obtained by calling James Scanlon, NCVHS Executive Staff Director Office of the Assistance Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, DHHS, Room 440-D, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW Washington, DC 20201, telephone (202) 690-7100, or Marjorie S. Greenberg, Executive Secretary, NCVHS, NCHS, CDC, Room 1100, Presidential Building, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone (301) 436-4253.

Notes: In the interest of security, the Department has instituted stringent procedures for entrance to the Hubert H. Humphrey Building by non-government employees. Thus, individuals without a government identification card may need to have the guard call for an escort to the meeting room.

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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), Subcommittee on Populations—Working Group on Quality.

Time and Date: 5:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m., November 3, 1999.

Place: Wyndham City Center Hotel, 1143 New Hampshire Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20037.

Status: Open.

Purpose: The purpose of the meeting is to identify the most significant data gaps in the existing National Health Information Infrastructure that inhibit the development and/or production of clinical quality measures for all segments of the population. A panel of speakers will consist of individuals who have been involved in the design, testing and production of operational clinical quality measures. Other similar panels, including one with researchers who have developed measures to support outcomes research, will be planned in connection with future NCVHS meetings.

Contact Person for More Information: Substantive program information as well as

summaries of meetings and a roster of Committee members may be obtained from Stan Edinger, Lead Staff Person for the NCVHS Subcommittee on Special Populations, Working Group on Quality, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, 2101 East Jefferson Street, #600, Rockville, MD 20852 telephone (301) 594-1483; 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

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Notice of the Revised Priority List of Hazardous Substances That Will Be the Subject of Toxicological Profiles

AGENCY: Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or Superfund), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA), requires that ATSDR and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) revise the Priority List of Hazardous Substances. This list includes substances most commonly found at facilities on the CERCLA National Priorities List (NPL) which have been determined to be of greatest concern to public health at or around these NPL hazardous waste sites. This announcement provides notice that the agencies have developed and are making available a revised CERCLA Priority List of 275 Hazardous Substances, based on the most recent information available to ATSDR and EPA. Each substance on the priority list is a candidate to become the subject of a toxicological profile prepared by ATSDR and subsequently a candidate for the identification of priority data needs.

In addition to the Priority List of Hazardous Substances, ATSDR has developed a Completed Exposure Pathway Site Count Report. This report lists the number of sites or events with ATSDR activities where a substance has been found in a completed exposure pathway (CEP). This report is included in the Support Document of the Priority List.

ADDRESSES: Requests for a copy of the report, the 1999 CERCLA Priority List of Hazardous Substances That Will Be The Subject of Toxicological Profiles and Support Document, including the CEP report, should bear the docket control number ATSDR-155, and should be submitted to: ATSDR Information Center, Division of Toxicology, Mail Stop E-29, 1600 Clifton Rd., NE, Atlanta, GA 30333. Requests must be in writing.

Electronic Availability: The 1999 Priority List of Hazardous Substances will be posted on ATSDR's World-Wide Web server on the Internet located at <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/99list.html>. The priority list will also be posted on the Federal Bulletin Board on or near the day of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. The Federal Bulletin Board can be accessed via the Internet at http://fedbbs.access.gpo.gov/lib/tsd_frc.htm. This file is available in WordPerfect, Dbase, and ASCII formats.

This is an informational notice only, and comments are not being solicited at this time. However, any comments received will be considered for inclusion in the next revision of the list and placed in a publicly accessible docket; therefore, please do not submit confidential business or other confidential information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: ATSDR, Division of Toxicology, Emergency Response and Scientific Assessment Branch, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mail Stop E-29, Atlanta, GA 30333, telephone 888-442-8737.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: CERCLA establishes certain requirements for ATSDR and EPA with regard to hazardous substances that are most commonly found at facilities on the CERCLA NPL. Section 104(i)(2) of CERCLA, as amended (42 U.S.C. 9604(i)(2)), required that the two agencies prepare a list, in order of priority, of at least 100 hazardous substances that are most commonly found at facilities on the NPL and which, in their sole discretion, have been determined to pose the most significant potential threat to human health (see 52 FR 12866, April 17, 1987). CERCLA also required the