

standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than November 26, 1999.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Betsy Buttrill White, Senior Vice President) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. *China Trust Capital A/S*, Denmark; to become a bank holding company by acquiring shares of *China Trust Capital B.V.*, Netherlands, and thereby indirectly acquiring *Chinatrust Bank*, Torrance, California. *China Trust Holdings N.V.*, Curacao, Netherlands Antilles, will control *China Trust Capital A/S*, Denmark, and its subsidiaries, upon its formation.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 27, 1999.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Health Care Policy and Research

Meeting of the National Advisory Council for Health Care Policy, Research, and Evaluation

AGENCY: Agency for Health Care Policy and Research; DHHS.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Health Care Policy, Research, and Evaluation.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, November 5, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at 6010 Executive Boulevard, Fourth Floor, Rockville, Maryland, 20852.

FOR GENERAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Jackie Eder, Coordinator of the Advisory Council, at the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Suite 600, Rockville, Maryland, 20852, (301) 594-6662. For press-related information, please contact Karen Migdail at 301/594-6120.

If sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodation for a

disability is needed, please contact Linda Reeves, Assistant Administrator for Equal Opportunity, AHCP, on (301) 594-6662 no later than November 4, 1999.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Purpose

Section 921 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 299c) established the National Advisory Council for Health Care Policy, Research, and Evaluation. In accordance with its statutory mandate, the Council provides advice to the Secretary and the Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCP), on matters related to AHCP activities to enhance the quality, appropriateness, and effectiveness of health care services and access to such services through scientific research and the promotion of improvements in clinical practice and in the organization, financing, and delivery of health care services. The Council is composed of members of the public appointed by the Secretary and Federal ex-officio members. Donald M. Berwick, M.D., the Council chairman, will preside.

II. Agenda

On Friday, November 5, 1999, the meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m., with the call to order by the Council Chairman. The Administrator, AHCP, will present the status of the Agency's current research, programs and initiatives. Tentative agenda items include issues on future programs and initiatives, information technology, health care errors, and role of qualitative methods in health services research. The official agenda will be available to AHCP's website at www/ahcpr.gov no later than October 20, 1999. The meeting will adjourn at 4:00 p.m.

Dated: October 26, 1999.

John M. Eisenberg,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

Community/Tribal Subcommittee and the Board of Scientific Counselors, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry: Meetings

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

(ATSDR) announces the following subcommittee and committee meetings.

Name: Community/Tribal Subcommittee (CTS).

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., November 16, 1999; 9 a.m.-5 p.m., November 17, 1999.

Place: Sheraton/Buckhead Hotel, 3405 Lenox Road, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30326.

Status: Open to the public, limited by the available space. The meeting room accommodates approximately 60 people.

Purpose: This subcommittee will bring to the Board of Scientific Counselors advice and citizen input, as well as recommendations on community and tribal programs, practices, and policies of the Agency. The subcommittee will report directly to the Board of Scientific Counselors.

Matters To Be Discussed: Agenda items include an update on Action Items from previous meetings; discussion of suggested meeting procedures; discussion of Revised Draft Roles, Functions, and Operational Guidelines; research agenda building update; health technical assistance grant mechanism; and an overview of the Agency's activities regarding chemical mixtures. The CTS will discuss public health assessment and sensitivity training; CTS proposals, and recommendations and responses to ATSDR.

Name: Board of Scientific Counselors, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., November 18, 1999; 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m., November 19, 1999.

Place: Sheraton/Buckhead Hotel, 3405 Lenox Road, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30326.

Status: Open to the public, limited by the available space. The meeting room accommodates approximately 60 people.

Purpose: The Board of Scientific Counselors, ATSDR, advises the Secretary; the Assistant Secretary for Health; and the Administrator, ATSDR, on ATSDR programs to ensure scientific quality, timeliness, utility, and dissemination of results. Specifically, the Board advises on the adequacy of the science in ATSDR-supported research, emerging problems that require scientific investigation, accuracy and currency of the science in ATSDR reports, and program areas to emphasize and/or to de-emphasize. In addition, the Board recommends research programs and conference support for which the Agency seeks to make grants to universities, colleges, research institutions, hospitals, and other public and private organizations.

Matters To Be Discussed: Agenda items will include an update on building ATSDR's research agenda; an overview of current research activities; an update on NIEHS and EPA Superfund research programs; an update on NIOSH and NCEH research programs. The BSC will discuss ATSDR plans and progress; research and plans for other agencies; potential for collaborative research; and additional needs for environmental public health research. The CTS will discuss the Community/Tribal Subcommittee update, Operational Guidelines and recommendations. ATSDR staff will provide program updates on the expert panel review