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Frequency: Annually;

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, and State, Local or Tribal Government;

Number of Respondents: 450;

Total Annual Responses: 450;

Total Annual Hours: 45,000.

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Dated: August 22, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration [HCFA-1146-N]

Medicare Program; September 21, 2000, Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces a meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education (the Panel) on September 21, 2000. This Panel advises and makes recommendations to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) on opportunities for HCFA to optimize the effectiveness of the National Medicare Education Program and other HCFA programs that help Medicare beneficiaries understand Medicare and the range of Medicare options available with the passage of the Medicare+Choice Program. The Panel meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2000 from 8:30 a.m. pst to 5:30 p.m. pst.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Waterfront Plaza Hotel, 10 Washington Street, Jack London Square, Oakland, California 94607, Telephone: (510) 836-3800 or (800) 729-3638.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susana Perry, Executive Director, CBS, Partnership Development Group, Health Care Financing Administration, 7500 Security Boulevard S1-08-07, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, (410) 786-1076. Please refer to the HCFA Advisory Committees Information Line (1-877-449-5659 toll free) or (410-786-9379 local) or the Internet (<http://www.hcfa.gov/events/apme/homepage.htm>) for additional information and updates on committee activities or by contacting the Executive Director at (E-mail: APME@hcfa.gov). Press inquiries are handled through the HCFA Press Office at (202) 690-6145.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 9(a)), Public Law 92-463, grants the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) the authority to establish an advisory committee if the Secretary finds the committee in the public interest. The Secretary signed the charter establishing this committee on January 21, 1999 (64 FR 7899, February 17, 1999). The Advisory Panel on Medicare Education (the Panel) advises us on opportunities to enhance the effectiveness of consumer education materials serving the Medicare program.

The goals of the Panel are as follows:

- Develop and implement a national Medicare education program that describes the options for selecting a health plan under Medicare.

- Enhance the Federal government's effectiveness in informing the Medicare consumer, including the appropriate use of public-private partnerships.

- Expand outreach to vulnerable and underserved communities, including racial and ethnic minorities; in the context of a national Medicare education program.

- Assemble an information base of best practices for helping consumers evaluate health plan options and building a community infrastructure for information, counseling, and assistance.

The current members are: Diane Archer, J.D., President, Medicare Rights Center; Bruce Bradley, M.B.A., Director, Managed Care Plans, General Motors Corporation; Joyce Dubow, M.U.P., Senior Policy Advisor, Public Policy Institute, AARP; Elmer Huerta, M.D., M.P.H., Director, Cancer Risk and Assessment Center, Washington Hospital Center; Bonita Kallestad, J.D., M.S., Western Minnesota Legal Services, Mid Minnesota Legal Assistance; Steven Larsen, J.D., M.A., Maryland Insurance Commissioner, Maryland Insurance Administration; Brian Lindberg, M.M.H.S., Executive Director, Consumer Coalition for Quality Health Care; Heidi Margulis, B.A., Vice President, Government Affairs, Humana, Inc.; Patricia Neuman, Sc.D., Director, Medicare Policy Project, Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation; Elena Rios, M.D., M.S.P.H., President, National Hispanic Medical Association; Samuel Simmons, B.A., President and CEO, The National Caucus and Center on Black Aged, Inc.; Nina Weinberg, M.A., President, National Health Council; and Edward Zesk, B.A., Executive Director, Aging 2000.

The agenda for the September 21, 2000, meeting will include the following:

- A recap of the last meeting.
- A presentation on communicating effectively with all people. (Issues of cultural competency and limited English proficiency.)
- A presentation on HCFA's role in and approach to providing information to Medicare consumers with limited English proficiency.
- A listening session, where Medicare consumers, caregivers to people with limited English proficiency, and information intermediaries discuss with the APME Panel approaches to effectively communicating Medicare information to people with limited English proficiency.
- A period for public comment.
- A discussion regarding suggestions for future activities to provide information to Medicare consumers with limited English proficiency.

Individuals or organizations that wish to make 5-minute oral presentations on the agenda issues should contact the Executive Director, by 12 noon, September 15, 2000, to be scheduled. The number of oral presentations may be limited by the time available. A written copy of the oral remarks should be submitted to the Executive Director, no later than 12 noon, September 15, 2000. Anyone who is not scheduled to speak may submit written comments to the Executive Director, by 12 noon, September 15, 2000.

The meeting is open to the public, but attendance is limited to the space available. Individuals requiring sign language interpretation for the hearing impaired or other special accommodations should contact the Executive Director at least 15 days before the meeting.

(5 U.S.C. App.2, section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2))

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance; and Program No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: August 23, 2000.

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Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of Inspector General

Program Exclusions: July 2000

AGENCY: Office of Inspector General, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of program exclusions.

During the month of July 2000, the HHS Office of Inspector General

imposed exclusions in the cases set forth below. When an exclusion is imposed, no program payment is made to anyone for any items or services (other than an emergency item or service not provided in a hospital emergency room) furnished, ordered or prescribed by an excluded party under the Medicare, Medicaid, and all Federal Health Care programs. In addition, no program payment is made to any business or facility, e.g., a hospital, that submits bills for payment for items or services provided by an excluded party. Program beneficiaries remain free to decide for themselves whether they will continue to use the services of an excluded party even though no program payments will be made for items and services provided by that excluded party. The exclusions have national effect and also apply to all Executive Branch procurement and non-procurement programs and activities.

Subject city, state	Effective date
Program-related convictions:	
ABIGANTUS, ANTONIO B, LEXINGTON, KY	08/20/2000
ALONSO, RAMON, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
BERVERLY MANOR SAN FRANCISCO, SAN FRANCISCO, CA	02/03/2000
BEVERLY MANOR ESCONDIDO, ESCONDIDO, CA	02/03/2000
BHR AIKEN, AIKEN, SC	02/03/2000
BOLDEN, CLIFFORD E, EGLIN AFB, FL	08/20/2000
BOLDEN, GLENNIS L, MARIANNA, FL	08/20/2000
BOWLAN, TIMOTHY MARK, EDMOND, OK	08/20/2000
CALDERIN, CIRO MANUEL, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
CAMEJO, OLGA, MIAMI BEACH, FL	08/20/2000
CAMEJO, RAMON, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
CASTELLANOS, JOHN, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
CHAMLEY, ANNA MARIE, BEDFORD, TX	08/20/2000
CHILDERS, CHARLES DAVID, MIRAMAR, FL	08/20/2000
CIVIELLO, CHARLES, BROOKLYN, NY	08/20/2000
COLLEGE OAKS, SACRAMENTO, CA	02/03/2000
COOPER, BALYNDA RENEE, VALLEJO, CA	08/20/2000
COUNTRYSIDE ESTATES, IOLA, KS	02/03/2000
CROSSROADS ORTHOTICS PROS, VICTORIA, TX	08/20/2000
CRUZ, BEATRIZ, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
DARNELL, ELOISE VERGEIRE, LONG BEACH, CA	08/20/2000
DATASTANYAN, OGANES, LOS ANGELES, CA	08/20/2000
DE LA CERDA, NELSON, COLEMAN, FL	08/20/2000
DE LA ROSA, RAUL, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
DEL ROSARIO, MA THERESA, LONG BEACH, CA	08/20/2000
DIAZ, ROBERTO A, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
DOMINGUEZ, DAGMARA, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
DOMINGUEZ, MIRIAM, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
DORMAN, JAMES D, THREE RIVERS, TX	08/20/2000
FALCON, JACINTO R, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
FERNANDEZ, ISABEL C, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
FIALLO, LAMBERTO, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
FONTANA, HUMBERTO L, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
FRIEDMAN, BRUCE S, ORANGE, CT	08/20/2000
GAGLIARDO, DANIEL M, DENTON, TX	08/20/2000
GOMEZ, ANSELMO, MONTGOMERY, PA	08/20/2000
GONZALEZ, MARIA ISABEL, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
GONZALEZ-CABALLERO, MERCEDES, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
GUTIERREZ, ANGEL I, MIAMI, FL	08/20/2000
HARMON, CALVIN J, CARROLLTON, GA	08/20/2000
HEARTHSTONE, ST JOHN, KS	02/03/2000
HOSPITALITY OF MACON, MACON, GA	02/03/2000
HUNTLEY FISTER, DEBBIE IRENE, PLAINVIEW, TX	08/20/2000
HYLOND SUNNYVALE, SUNNYVALE, CA	02/03/2000
JAVID, MOHAMMAD A, RAHWAY, NJ	08/20/2000