

and personal information concerning individuals associated with the contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: May 2, 2001.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: Lajolla Cove Suites, 1155 S. Coast Blvd., Lajolla, CA 92037.

Contact Person: Phillip F. Wiethorn, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, NINDS/NIH/DHHS, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Blvd., Suite 3208, MSC 9529, Bethesda, MD 20892-9529, 301-496-9223.

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Dated: April 2, 2001.

Laverne Y. Stringfield,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Request for Feedback—Consumer and Family Members Involvement in the Development of Managed Mental Health and Substance Abuse Programs

AGENCY: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), HHS.

ACTION: Request for feedback—consumer and family members involvement in the development of managed mental health and substance abuse programs.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is charged by statute (42 U.S.C. 290aa) to encourage public and private entities that provide health insurance to provide benefits for mental health and substance abuse services. The tremendous growth of managed care over the last ten years has already dramatically changed the ways that public sector mental health and substance abuse services are organized and funded. The numbers of persons enrolled in managed care programs under Medicaid has increased from 10% in 1991 to 54% in 1998, with escalating numbers of persons with disabilities

included under the programs. The number of States with managed care programs in public mental health and substance abuse programs has tripled in three years, from 14 States in 1996 to 42 States in 1999. Of the 42 States, 23 States—more than half—operate multiple managed behavioral healthcare programs.

SAMHSA has engaged in a number of projects to improve the genuine participation of consumers and family members in the design, procurement, implementation and evaluation of managed care programs in the public system. Under SAMHSA's Office of Managed Care, a group of consumers, family members and advocacy groups developed the *Partners in Planning Guide* to educate consumers and family members on becoming active in designing managed care systems in their State. A related project supported training on the Guide at national and grassroots venues to advocates as well as persons with mental illnesses and/or chemical dependencies.

Yet the impact of these other efforts to promote greater inclusion of consumers and family members in system design remains largely unmeasured. SAMHSA is now interested in receiving consumers/survivor, persons in recovery from substance abuse disorders and family members views and/or perceptions as it relates to their *involvement* in the development of mental health and substance abuse programs for managed care organizations in different States.

SAMHSA would appreciate feedback in the following areas on *involvement* by consumer and family members of mental health or substance abuse services:

- Designing and procuring systems of care in public mental health and substance abuse.
- Evaluating and monitoring public managed care systems that involve mental health and substance abuse services.
- Participating on mental health or substance abuse governing or advisory boards.
- Receiving compensation for representing consumer or family members, such as travel expenses or honorarium.
- How involvement has improved or worsened over the past five years.
- Overall comments about consumer/family members participation in managed care issues.
- Training, publications, web sites, coalitions, legislation, and media/public education that have been helpful.

The resulting information will be shared with SAMHSA leadership and

constituents for identifying what works and best practices, but to also guide SAMHSA activities to further promote involvement of consumer and family members in managed care.

Send comments to Stephanie Wright, Program Analyst, Office of Managed Care, SAMHSA, Room 10-105, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, via email at swright@samhsa.gov, or fax at 301-443-8711. Comments would be most helpful if they are received by May 9, 2001. Please include your name, title, affiliation and phone number for clarification, if necessary.

Dated: April 3, 2001.

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Executive Officer, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Contract and Subcontract Activity Reporting for Housing's Multifamily Programs

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* June 8, 2001

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., L'Enfant Building, Room 8202, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Willie Spearmon, Director, Office of Housing Assistance and Grant Administration, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone number (202) 708-3000, (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available information.