

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Health Service Activities and Research at Department of Energy (DOE) Sites: Fernald Health Effects Subcommittee

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announce the following meeting.

*Name:* Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Health Service Activities and Research at Department of Energy (DOE) Sites: Fernald Health Effects Subcommittee.

*Time and Date:* 9 a.m.–4 p.m., August 22, 2001.

*Place:* The Plantation Conference Center, 9660 Dry Fork Road, Harrison, Ohio 45030, telephone, 513/367-5610.

*Status:* Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 50 people.

*Background:* Under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed in December 1990 with DOE, and replaced by MOUs signed in 1996 and 2000, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) was given the responsibility and resources for conducting analytic epidemiologic investigations of residents of communities in the vicinity of DOE facilities, workers at DOE facilities, and other persons potentially exposed to radiation or to potential hazards from non-nuclear energy production use. HHS delegated program responsibility to CDC.

In addition, a memo was signed in October 1990 and renewed in November 1992, 1996, and in 2000, between ATSDR and DOE. The MOU delineates the responsibilities and procedures for ATSDR's public health activities at DOE sites required under sections 104, 105, 107, and 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or "Superfund"). These activities include health consultations and public health assessments at DOE sites listed on, or proposed for, the Superfund National Priorities List and at sites that are the subject of petitions from the public; and other health-related activities such as epidemiologic studies, health surveillance, exposure and disease registries, health education, substance-specific applied research, emergency response, and preparation of toxicological profiles.

*Purpose:* This subcommittee is charged with providing advice and recommendations to the Director, CDC, and the Administrator, ATSDR, regarding community concerns pertaining to CDC's and ATSDR's public health activities and research at this DOE site. The purpose of this meeting is to provide a forum for community interaction and serve as a vehicle for community concerns to be expressed as advice and recommendations to CDC and ATSDR.

*Matters to be Discussed:* Agenda items include a presentation from COSMOS Corporation on the Evaluation of the Health Effects Subcommittee Advisory Process, presentations from the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH), the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), and ATSDR on updates regarding progress of current studies.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

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The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities for both CDC and ATSDR.

Dated: July 10, 2001.

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#### Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

Part C (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) of the Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services (45 FR 67772-76, dated October 14, 1980, and corrected at 45 FR 69296, October 20, 1980, as amended most recently at 66 FR 38289-38290, dated July 23, 2001) is amended to retitle and revise the functional statement of the Arctic Investigations Program (AIP), National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID).

Section C-B, Organization and Functions, is hereby amended as follows:

Delete in its entirety the title and functional statement for the Arctic Investigations Program (CFI) and insert the following:

*Arctic Investigations Program (CRJ).*  
(1) Conducts surveillance of infectious diseases and conditions that impact the health of all residents of the circumpolar region with special emphasis on diseases of high incidence and concern among indigenous peoples of these regions; (2) designs and conducts epidemiologic studies to

investigate the causes and risk factors for infectious diseases among residents of the Arctic and sub-Arctic, and conducts long-term studies to determine sequelae of various etiologic agents; (3) conducts laboratory research to evaluate existing laboratory tests, modifies methods as needed to apply the technology in the Arctic health-care setting, and develops new methods for diagnosis, treatment, and follow-up of health problems; (4) designs and implements studies to evaluate strategies for control of infectious diseases among residents and travelers in the Arctic in collaboration with, the State of Alaska, foreign ministries of health, universities, National Institutes of Health, organizations in Alaska, and other programs within CDC; (5) provides epidemiologic, statistical, computer, and laboratory consultation to organizations in Alaska, other health providers, and public and private health agencies; (6) assists local, national, and international agencies and organizations in developing guidelines for infectious disease prevention and control applicable to Arctic residents; (7) disseminates information on problems of particular import for residents of circumpolar regions; (8) provides training and technological assistance in epidemiology, statistics, and laboratory methodology to health-care personnel working or planning to conduct research in the Arctic; (9) participates in the Arctic Council proceedings, the International Union for Circumpolar activities and other international collaborative efforts to improve the health of all circumpolar populations; and (10) and the predominate Federal agency conducting infectious diseases research in the Arctic, provides local input as needed to the Office of the Director CDC, the Interagency Arctic Research and Policy Committee, Arctic Research Commission, and National Science Foundation as established under the U.S. Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984.

*Office of the Director (CRJ1).* (1) Manages, prioritizes, directs, and coordinates the activities of the Arctic Investigation Program (AIP); (2) provides leadership and guidance on policy, program planning and development, program management, and operations; (3) provides AIP-wide administrative services, and coordinates or assures coordination with the appropriate NCID and CDC staff offices on administrative and program matters; (4) provides liaison with other Governmental agencies, international organizations, and other outside groups; (5) advises and represents the Director,