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Dated: February 18, 2005.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS-4089-N2]

#### Medicare Program; Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education—March 22, 2005: Location Change

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting and meeting location change.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2, section 10(a) (Pub. L. 92-463), this notice announces a meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education (the Panel) on March 22, 2005. The Panel advises and makes recommendations to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services on opportunities to enhance the effectiveness of consumer education strategies concerning the Medicare program. This notice replaces the meeting notice published on February 25, 2005 (70 FR 9362) due to a change in the meeting location.

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2005 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., e.s.t.

**Deadline for Presentations and Comments:** March 15, 2005, 12 noon, e.s.t.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting location originally published in the February 25, 2005 notice has changed. The new meeting location is the Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Room 800, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201. Persons planning to attend must follow the security procedures listed below in the "Meeting Attendance" section of this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Lynne Johnson, Health Insurance Specialist, Division of Partnership Development, Center for Beneficiary Choices, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Mail stop S2-23-05, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, (410) 786-0090. Please refer to the CMS Advisory Committees' Information Line (1-877-449-5659 toll free)/(410-786-9379 local) or the Internet (<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/faca/apme/default.asp>) for additional information and updates on committee activities, or contact Ms. Johnson via e-mail at [ljohnson3@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:ljohnson3@cms.hhs.gov). Press inquiries are handled through the CMS Press Office at (202) 690-6145.

**Meeting Attendance:** The meeting is open to the public; however, attendance is limited to space available. Attendance will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis. Persons wishing to attend this meeting, which is located on Federal property, must call or e-mail Ms. Johnson to register in advance no later than 5 p.m. (e.s.t.), Friday, March 18, 2005.

The following information must be e-mailed or telephoned to Ms. Johnson by the date and time above:

- Name(s) of attendee(s);
- Title(s);
- Organization;
- E-mail address(es); and
- Telephone number(s).

Persons attending the meeting must present photographic identification to the Federal Protective Service or Guard Service personnel before they will be allowed to enter the building. Individuals who are not registered in advance will not be permitted to enter the building and will be unable to attend the meeting.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 217a), as amended, grants to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) the authority to establish an advisory panel if the Secretary finds the panel necessary and in the public interest. The

Secretary signed the charter establishing this Panel on January 21, 1999 (64 FR 7849) and approved the renewal of the charter on January 14, 2005. The Panel advises and makes recommendations to the Secretary and the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on opportunities to enhance the effectiveness of consumer education strategies concerning the Medicare program.

The goals of the Panel are as follows:

- To develop and implement a national Medicare education program that describes the options for selecting a health plan under Medicare.
- To enhance the Federal government's effectiveness in informing the Medicare consumer, including the appropriate use of public-private partnerships.
- To expand outreach to vulnerable and underserved communities, including racial and ethnic minorities, in the context of a national Medicare education program.
- To assemble an information base of best practices for helping consumers evaluate health plan options and build a community infrastructure for information, counseling, and assistance.

The current members of the Panel are: Dr. Drew E. Altman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation; James L. Bildner, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, New Horizons Partners, LLC; Dr. Jane Delgado, Chief Executive Officer, National Alliance For Hispanic Health; Clayton Fong, President and Chief Executive Officer, National Asian Pacific Center on Aging; Thomas Hall, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Cardio-Kinetics, Inc.; The Honorable Bobby Jindal, United States Congress; David Knutson, Director, Health System Studies, Park Nicollet Institute for Research and Education; Donald J. Lott, Executive Director, Indian Family Health Clinic; Dr. Frank I. Luntz, President and Chief Executive Officer, Luntz Research Companies; Katherine Metzger, Director, Medicare and Medicaid Programs, Fallon Community Health Plan; David Null, Financial Advisor, Merrill Lynch; Dr. Marlon Priest, Professor of Emergency Medicine, University of Alabama at Birmingham; Susan O. Raetzman, Associate Director, Public Policy Institute, AARP, and Catherine Valenti, Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer, Caring Voice Coalition.

The agenda for the March 22, 2005 meeting will include the following:

- Recap of the previous (November 30, 2004) meeting.
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services update.

- Medicare Modernization Act: Outreach and education strategies.
- Public comment.
- Listening session with CMS leadership.

- Next steps.

Individuals or organizations that wish to make a 5-minute oral presentation on an agenda topic should submit a written copy of the oral presentation to Lynne Johnson, Health Insurance Specialist, Division of Partnership Development, Center for Beneficiary Choices, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Mail stop S2-23-05, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850 or by e-mail at [ljohnson3@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:ljohnson3@cms.hhs.gov) no later than 12 noon, e.s.t., March 15, 2005. The number of oral presentations may be limited by the time available. Individuals not wishing to make a presentation may submit written comments to Ms. Johnson by 12 noon, e.s.t., March 15, 2005. The meeting is open to the public, but attendance is limited to the space available.

*Special Accommodation:* Individuals requiring sign language interpretation or other special accommodations should contact Ms. Johnson at least 15 days before the meeting.

**Authority:** Sec. 222 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 217a) and sec. 10(a) of Pub. L. 92-463 (5 U.S.C. App. 2, sec. 10(a) and 41 CFR 102-3).

Dated: March 1, 2005.

**Mark B. McClellan,**

*Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request Proposed Projects**

*Title:* Evaluation of the Improving Child Welfare Outcome through Systems of Care Grant Program.

**OMB No. New Collection**

*Description:* The 1994 Amendments to the Social Security Act (SSA) authorize the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to review State child and family service programs to ensure conformance with the requirements in titles IV-B and IV-E of SSA. Under the final Rule, which took effect March 25, 2000, States are assessed for substantial conformity with certain Federal requirements for child-welfare services. The Child and Family Service Reviews (CFSR), administered by the Children's Bureau, are designed to ensure conformity with Federal child-welfare requirements and, ultimately, to help States improve child-welfare services and outcomes, specifically safety, permanency and well-being outcomes for child-welfare-involved children and their families. States determined not to have achieved substantial conformity in any of the areas assessed are required to develop and implement Program Improvement Plans (PIP) addressing the areas of nonconformity.

The Systems of Care grant cluster, from which these data are proposed to be collected, is designed to encourage public child-welfare agencies to address the issues identified in their State's CFSR. Although Systems of Care has shown promise in working with various at-risk and family populations, it has not been applied to a child-welfare target population. The data collected from these demonstration sites will allow the Children's Bureau to test whether this approach can help States reach the goals stated in their PIP and explore how child-welfare can benefit from being part of a system of care. Data will be collected via interviews, forms completed by project staff, surveys, focus groups and case-file reviews. Data also will be collected to determine the extent to which the Technical Assistance (A) provided, brokered or contracted by the TA and Evaluation Center is meeting the needs of the grantees, and how.

*Respondents:* Systems of Care Project Directors (members of the Systems of Care collaborative may include representatives from mental health, juvenile justice, education, health, among others); child-welfare agency supervisors and caseworkers; partner agency caseworkers, and families who have been involved with the child-welfare system.

**ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES**

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response (minutes)	Total burden hours
Stakeholder Survey .....	240	51 items .....	.29	59
Child-Welfare Agency Survey .....	1440	72 items .....	.29	501
Supervisor Interviews .....	140	5 questions .....	5	58
Interviews with family members .....	140	5 questions .....	5	58
Stakeholder Interviews .....	140	5 questions .....	5	58
Project Director Interviews .....	30	21 questions .....	14	42
Child-Welfare agency and Partner agency focus groups .....	700	6 questions .....	6	420
Community Description Form .....	20	14 items .....	2	9
Organizational Structure Form .....	20	7 items .....	4	9
Collaborative Membership Form .....	20	7 items .....	2	5
Major Activities Form .....	20	7 items .....	6	14
Policy Changes Form .....	20	7 items .....	6	14
Other Training and Technical Assistance Form .....	20	4 items .....	5	7
Training and Technical Assistance Participant Feedback Forms .....	1080	37 items .....	.56	373
Technical Assistance Follow-up Survey .....	518	15 .....	.29	38
<b>Total estimated total annual burden hours .....</b>				<b>1,665</b>

<sup>1</sup> One hour for entire interview.