

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Centers for Disease Control and Prevention****Designation of a Class of Employees for Addition to the Special Exposure Cohort**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) gives notice of a decision to designate a class of employees at the Pacific Proving Grounds, Enewetak Atoll, as an addition to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000. On June 26, 2006, the Secretary of HHS designated the following class of employees as an addition to the SEC:

Department of Energy (DOE) employees or DOE contractor or subcontractor employees who worked at the Pacific Proving Grounds (PPG) from 1946 through 1962 for a number of work days aggregating at least 250 work days, either solely under this employment or in combination with work days within the parameters (excluding aggregate work day requirements) established for other classes of employees included in the SEC, and who were monitored or should have been monitored.

This designation will become effective on July 26, 2006, unless Congress provides otherwise prior to the effective date. After this effective date, HHS will publish a notice in the **Federal Register** reporting the addition of this class to the SEC or the result of any provision by Congress regarding the decision by HHS to add the class to the SEC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Larry Elliott, Director, Office of Compensation Analysis and Support, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, 4676 Columbia Parkway, MS C-46, Cincinnati, OH 45226, Telephone 513-533-6800 (this is not a toll-free number). Information requests can also be submitted by e-mail to [OCAS@CDC.GOV](mailto:OCAS@CDC.GOV).

Dated: July 5, 2006.

**John Howard,**

*Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Centers for Disease Control and Prevention****Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panels (SEP): Avian Influenza Cooperative Research Centers—Studies at the Human-Animal Interface, Request for Applications (RFA) #CI06-009; and Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions for Pandemic Influenza, RFA #CI06-010**

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting:

*Name:* "Avian Influenza Cooperative Research Centers—Studies at the Human-Animal Interface," Request for Applications (RFA) #CI06-009; and "Non-pharmaceutical Interventions for Pandemic Influenza," RFA #CI06-010.

*Times and Dates:* 8 a.m.–8:30 a.m., August 17, 2006 (Open).

8:30 a.m.–4 p.m., August 17, 2006 (Closed).

8 a.m.–8:30 a.m., August 18, 2006 (Open).

8:30 a.m.–4 p.m., August 18, 2006 (Closed).

*Place:* Sheraton Gateway Atlanta Airport Hotel, 1900 Sullivan Road, Atlanta, GA 30337, Telephone Number 770.997.1100.

*Status:* The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(4) and (6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, CDC, pursuant to Public Law 92-463.

*Matters to be Discussed:* The meeting will include the review, discussion, and evaluation of applications received in response to RFA #CI06-009, "Avian Influenza Cooperative Research Centers—Studies at the Human-Animal Interface"; and RFA #CI06-010, "Non-pharmaceutical Interventions for Pandemic Influenza."

*For Further Information Contact:* Felix Rogers, PhD, M.P.H., Scientific Review Administrator, National Immunization Program, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop E-05, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone Number 404.639.6101.

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 the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: July 6, 2006.

**Alvin Hall,**

*Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services**

[CMS-4123-N]

**Medicare Program; Solicitation for Proposals for Medical Savings Account Demonstration Project**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to inform interested parties of an opportunity to apply to participate in the Medicare Advantage (MA) Medical Savings Account (MSA) demonstration project. The MA MSA demonstration design waives certain MA MSA plan requirements under sections 1859(b)(3), 1853(e), and 1854(c) of the Social Security Act. This waiver will allow entities to offer products that more closely resemble high deductible health plans (HDHPs) that are offered with Health Savings Accounts to the non-Medicare population. This demonstration will be conducted in accordance with the Secretary's demonstration authority under section 402(a)(1)(A) of the Social Security Amendments of 1967, 42 U.S.C. 1395b-1(a)(1)(A).

**DATES:** Applications will be considered timely if we receive them by July 21, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Yolanda Robinson at (410) 786-7627. Interested parties can obtain a complete solicitation, application, and supporting information on the following CMS Web site at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MedicareAdvantageApps/>.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail or deliver applications and NOIs to the following address: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Attn: Yolanda Robinson CBC/MAG/DQPM, Mail Stop C4-23-07, 7500 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21244.

Because of staff and resource limitations, we cannot accept applications by facsimile (FAX) transmission or by e-mail.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Background**

Sections 1851(a)(2)(C) and 1859(b)(3) of the Social Security Act (the Act) authorize Medicare Advantage plans to offer Medical Savings Accounts (MSAs) to beneficiaries. However, the required benefit structure is not perceived by insurance organizations as easily marketable. Similar to Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) accounts currently