

underlying analytics substantially, increase the breadth and depth of their public records data, and overcome the resistance of many law enforcement customers to switch to a product that lacks the track record of effectively serving the needs of the law enforcement community in order to seriously contend for the customers that currently work with LexisNexis or ChoicePoint. As a result, new entry or fringe expansion sufficient to achieve a significant market impact within two years is unlikely.

#### IV. The Consent Agreement

The proposed Consent Agreement effectively remedies the Proposed Acquisition's likely anticompetitive effects in the market for electronic public records services to law enforcement customers. The proposed Consent Agreement preserves competition by requiring the divestiture of assets related to ChoicePoint's AutoTrackXP and CLEAR electronic public records services to Thomson Reuters Legal Inc. ("West") within fifteen (15) days after the Proposed Acquisition is consummated.

The Commission is satisfied that West is a well-qualified acquirer of the AutoTrackXP and CLEAR assets. West has the resources, capabilities, experience, and reputation to ensure that it will be an effective competitor in the market for electronic public records services to law enforcement customers. West, headquartered in Eagan, Minnesota, is a subsidiary of Thomson Reuters, one of the world's leading information service providers to the legal and business community. West already has a large and experienced sales force with existing relationships with many law enforcement agencies which use West's legal research services. With the divested assets, West will be particularly well-situated to replicate ChoicePoint's success and compete against the combined firm immediately after the Proposed Acquisition.

The proposed Consent Agreement contains several provisions designed to ensure that the divestiture of the AutoTrackXP and CLEAR assets to West is successful. First, the proposed Consent Agreement requires Reed Elsevier to provide various transitional services such as customer service, billing support, and database and network maintenance for up to two years to enable West to compete against Reed Elsevier immediately following the divestiture. Second, the proposed Consent Agreement ensures that Reed Elsevier will maintain the viability and marketability of the AutoTrackXP and

CLEAR assets prior to the divestiture. Finally, the proposed Consent Agreement allows the Commission to appoint an Interim Monitor to ensure that Reed Elsevier fulfills all of its obligations related to the divestiture of the assets.

In order to ensure that the Commission remains informed about the status of the AutoTrackXP and CLEAR assets pending divestiture, and about the efforts being made to accomplish the divestiture, the proposed Consent Agreement requires Reed Elsevier to file periodic reports with the Commission until the divestiture is accomplished.

The purpose of this analysis is to facilitate public comment on the proposed Consent Agreement, and it is not intended to constitute an official interpretation of the proposed Consent Agreement or to modify its terms in any way.

By direction of the Commission.

**Donald S. Clark**

Secretary

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## GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

### Medicare Payment Advisory Commission Nomination Letters

**AGENCY:** Government Accountability Office (GAO).

**ACTION:** Notice on letters of nomination.

**SUMMARY:** The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 established the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC) and gave the Comptroller General responsibility for appointing its members. For appointments to MedPAC that will be effective May 1, 2009, I am announcing the following: Letters of nomination should be submitted between January 1 and March 31, 2009, to ensure adequate opportunity for review and consideration of nominees prior to the appointment of new members.

**ADDRESSES:**

GAO: 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20548.

MedPAC: 601 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Suite 9000, Washington, DC 20001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

GAO: Office of Public Affairs, (202) 512-4800.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 1395b-6.

**Gene L. Dodaro,**

Acting Comptroller General of the United States.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Public Meeting of the President's Council on Bioethics

**AGENCY:** Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Public Health and Science, The President's Council on Bioethics.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The President's Council on Bioethics (Edmund D. Pellegrino, MD, Chairman) will hold its thirty-fifth meeting, at which it will discuss three topics: exercises of conscience in the practice of the health professions, the problem of medical futility, and the future of public bioethics and national bioethics commissions in the United States. Subjects discussed at past Council meetings (although not on the agenda for the November 2008 meeting) include: therapeutic and reproductive cloning, assisted reproduction, reproductive genetics, neuroscience, aging retardation, organ transplantation, personalized medicine, standards for the determination of death, children and bioethics, and lifespan-extension among others. Publications issued by the Council to date include: *Human Cloning and Human Dignity: An Ethical Inquiry* (July 2002); *Beyond Therapy: Biotechnology and the Pursuit of Happiness* (October 2003); *Being Human: Readings from the President's Council on Bioethics* (December 2003); *Monitoring Stem Cell Research* (January 2004), *Reproduction and Responsibility: The Regulation of New Biotechnologies* (March 2004), *Alternative Sources of Human Pluripotent Stem Cells: A White Paper* (May 2005), *Taking Care: Ethical Caregiving in Our Aging Society* (September 2005), and *Human Dignity and Bioethics: Essays Commissioned by the President's Council on Bioethics* (March 2008). Reports are forthcoming on four topics: controversies in the determination of death; organ donation, procurement, allocation, and transplantation; newborn screening; and medical care and the common good.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place Thursday, November 20, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., ET; and Friday, November 21, 2008, from 9 a.m. to noon, ET.

**ADDRESSES:** Hotel Palomar Arlington, 1121 North 19th Street, Arlington, VA 22209. Phone 703-351-9170.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Diane M. Gianelli, Director of Communications, The President's Council on Bioethics, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Suite C100, Washington, DC 20005. Telephone: 202/296-4669. E-mail: [info@bioethics.gov](mailto:info@bioethics.gov). Web site: <http://www.bioethics.gov>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting agenda will be posted at <http://www.bioethics.gov>. The Council encourages public input, either in person or in writing. At this meeting, interested members of the public may address the Council, beginning at 11:45 a.m. on Friday, November 21. Comments are limited to no more than five minutes per speaker or organization. As a courtesy, please inform Ms. Diane M. Gianelli, Director of Communications, in advance of your intention to make a public statement, and give your name and affiliation. To submit a written statement, mail or e-mail it to Ms. Gianelli at one of her contact addresses given above.

Dated: October 17, 2008.

**F. Daniel Davis,**

*Executive Director, The President's Council on Bioethics.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Notice of Meeting: Secretary's Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and Society**

Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of the 17th meeting of the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and

Society (SACGHS), U.S. Public Health Service. The meeting will be held from 8 a.m. to approximately 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 1, 2008, and 8 a.m. to approximately 3 p.m. on Tuesday, December 2, 2008, at the Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201. The meeting will be open to the public with attendance limited to space available. The meeting also will be Web cast.

For most of the first day of the meeting, SACGHS will review a preliminary draft report that addresses questions about whether gene patents and certain licensing practices are affecting patient access to genetic tests. SACGHS will discuss the draft report and determine whether it is ready to be released for public comment. Later in the day, the Committee will hear presentations about diagnostic laboratory standards and technology platforms and the role they are playing in innovation of genetic technologies. On day two, the Committee will continue to discuss priority issues and future study topics and come to a final decision about its strategic study plan.

As always, the Committee welcomes hearing from anyone wishing to provide public comment on any issue related to genetics, health and society. Individuals who would like to provide public comment should notify the SACGHS Executive Secretary, Ms. Sarah Carr, by telephone at 301-496-9838 or e-mail at [carrs@od.nih.gov](mailto:carrs@od.nih.gov). The SACGHS office is located at 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20892. Anyone planning to attend the meeting, who is in need of special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, is also asked to contact the Executive Secretary.

Under authority of 42 U.S.C. 217a, Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, the Department of

Health and Human Services established SACGHS to serve as a public forum for deliberations on the broad range of human health and societal issues raised by the development and use of genetic and genomic technologies and, as warranted, to provide advice on these issues. The draft meeting agenda and other information about SACGHS, including information about access to the Web cast, will be available at the following Web site: <http://www4.od.nih.gov/oba/sacghs.htm>.

Dated: October 20, 2008.

**Jennifer Spaeth,**

*Director, NIH Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

*Title:* Grants to States for Access and Visitation.

*OMB No.:* 0970-0204.

*Description:* On an annual basis, States must provide OCSE with data on programs that the Grants to States for Access and Visitation Program has funded. These program reporting requirements include, but are not limited to, the collection of data on the number of parents served, types of services delivered, program outcomes, client socio economic data, referrals sources, and other relevant data.

*Respondents:* State Child Access and Visitation Programs and State and/or local service providers.

**ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES**

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
State Child Access Program Survey .....	314	1	15	4,710

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 4,710.

*Additional Information:* Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Administration, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF

Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. E-mail address: [infocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:infocollection@acf.hhs.gov).

*OMB Comment:* OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**.

Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Attn: Desk Officer for