DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

National Advisory Council on Migrant Health; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), notice is hereby given of the following meeting:

Name: National Advisory Council on Migrant Health.

Dates and Times: May 3, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 4, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.


Status: The meeting will be open to the public.

Purpose: The purpose of the meeting is to discuss services and issues related to the health of migrant and seasonal farmworkers and their families and to formulate recommendations for the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Agenda: The agenda includes an overview of the Council’s general business activities. The Council will also hear presentations from experts on farmworker issues, including the status of farmworker health at the local and national levels.

The Council meeting is being held in conjunction with the National Farmworker Conference sponsored by the National Association of Community Health Centers, which is being held in San Diego, California, May 3–7, 2010.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities indicate. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gladys Cate, Office of Minority and Special Populations, Bureau of Primary Health Care, Health Resources and Services Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 8A–08, Rockville, Maryland 20857; telephone (301) 594–0367.

Dated: April 7, 2010.

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PRIVACY ACT OF 1974; REPORT OF AN ALTERED SYSTEM OF RECORDS

AGENCY: Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA).

ACTION: Notice of an Altered System of Records (SOR).

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is publishing notice of a proposal to alter an existing System of Records. The existing system of records, “State-Provided Physician Records for the Application Submission & Processing System (ASAPS), Office of Shortage Designation (OSD), Bureau of Health Professions (BHP), HRSA,” SORN #09–15–0066, originally published on January 10, 2005, covers health care practitioners who are the subjects of databases collected and maintained by State Primary Care Offices/Associations. Such health care practitioners include physicians (both M.D.s and D.O.s), licensed or otherwise authorized by a State to provide health care services, dentists, and mental health professionals. This State collected data may now also be made available to contractors employed by the OSD to assist in the application review process. The States affected have signed a Data Use Agreement permitting the contractors to have access to their data.

The purposes of these alterations are to update the system manager location, authority for maintenance of the system, categories of individuals covered by the system and categories of records in the system. Additionally, HRSA is adding new routine uses numbers 4 and 5, to include the reviewing and processing assistance from contractors and the breach notification language. This system of records is required to comply with the implementation directives of Section 332 of the Public Health Service Act. The records will be used to support the ASAPS electronic application for the development, submission, and review of applications for HPSAs and MUPS. The most critical requirement for accurate designation determinations is accurate data on the location of health care providers relative to the population. To this end, OSD continually tries to obtain the latest data on primary care, dental, and mental health providers and their practice location(s) at the lowest geographical level possible for use in the designation process, with the objective of minimizing the level of effort required on the part of States and communities seeking designations.

DATES: HRSA filed an altered system report with the Chair of the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, the Chair of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, and the Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on March 1, 2010. To ensure all parties have adequate time in which to comment, the altered system, including the routine uses, will become effective 30 days from the publication of the notice or 40 days from the date it was submitted to OMB and Congress, whichever is later, unless HRSA receives comments that require alterations to this notice.

ADDRESSES: Please address comments to the Application Submission & Processing System (ASAPS) System Manager, Office of Shortage Designation, Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 8A–08, Rockville, Maryland 20857; telephone (301) 594–4473. This is not a toll-free number. Comments received will be available for inspection at this same address from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., (Eastern Standard Time zone), Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Please contact the ASAPS, System Manager, Office of Shortage Designation, Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 8A–08, Rockville, Maryland 20857; telephone (301) 594–4473. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following changes/additions are being made to the current System of Records Routine Uses: (4) The Office of Shortage Designation (OSD) has contracted with a vendor to assist OSD in the review and processing of the HPSA and/or MUA/P applications received by the State offices. Such access will only be granted to the contractors with the States’ written permission, and all such contractors shall be required to sign a Rules of Behavior document, maintain Privacy Act safeguards with respect to such records, and return all records to HRSA; (5) The SORN will now include specific language to appropriate Federal agencies and Department contractors that have a need to know the information for the purpose of assisting...