

President) 1 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Carroll County Bancshares, Inc.*, Carrollton, Missouri; to acquire 20 percent of the voting shares of Adams Dairy Bank, Blue Springs, Missouri, and thereby engage in the operation of a savings association, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 14, 2010.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

### Sunshine Act; Notice of Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** 1 p.m. (Eastern Time) July 19, 2010.

**PLACE:** 4th Floor Conference Room, 1250 H Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005.

**STATUS:** All parts will be open to the public.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Parts Open to the Public

1. Approval of the minutes of the June 21, 2010 Board member meeting.
2. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.
  - a. Monthly Participant Activity Report
  - b. Legislative Report
3. Quarterly Reports.
  - a. Investment Policy Review
  - b. Vendor Financial Report

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Thomas J. Trabucco, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

Dated: July 9, 2010.

**Thomas K. Emswiler,**

*Secretary, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Request for Information on Development of an Inventory of Comparative Effectiveness Research

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

**ACTION:** Request for Information.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning Evaluation (ASPE) is developing a national inventory of comparative effectiveness research (CER) and CER-related information. This initiative is driven by the American Recovery and

Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) which provided \$1.1 billion for research and development in the area of CER. ARRA allocated \$400 million to the Office of the Secretary (OS) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), \$400 million to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and \$300 million to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. ARRA also established the Federal Coordinating Council for CER, which, after significant public input, developed a strategic framework and recommended high-level priorities for OS funds. While the FCC's Report to Congress drew on an initial CER inventory focused on federal investments, the process of cataloguing CER activities and infrastructure will be critical to tracking ongoing and future investments in CER. An important component of this effort is creating an inventory of CER to ensure that patients, clinicians, and other decision makers can identify and locate relevant CER in a timely manner.

ASPE seeks input on approaches to developing a CER Inventory that capture ongoing and existing CER in the United States. This inventory will be accessible to the public, including patients, clinicians, and policymakers, through a web-based system. Comments should focus on appropriate resources and approaches for developing the CER Inventory, rather than the methodology of CER or suggestions for particular CER studies that should be included in the CER Inventory. Requested information includes suggestions regarding sources of CER and ways to encourage participation in the inventory; comments related to categorizing content; and approaches to ensure the CER Inventory is useful and sustainable over time.

**DATES:** Submit comments by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on August 9, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Written or electronic comments should be submitted to HHS as directed below.

Comments should be identified by referring to the "CER Inventory", and may be submitted to the Department of HHS by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Written comments (one original and two copies) may be mailed to: Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: CER Inventory, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Room 447-D, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201.
- *Hand or courier delivery:* Comments may be delivered to Room 447-D, Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: CER

Inventory, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Room 447-D, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., and Washington, DC 20201. Because access to the interior of the HHH Building is not readily available to persons without Federal Government identification, commenters are encouraged to leave their comments in the CER Inventory drop box located in the main lobby of the building. A stamp-in clock is available for persons wishing to retain proof of filing by stamping in and retaining an extra copy of the comments being filed.

Written submissions should be brief (no more than three pages per submission), and should be in the form of a letter. Please do not submit duplicate comments. Please do not include any personally identifiable information (such as name, address, or other contact information) or confidential business information that you do not want publicly disclosed. Consequently, comments should not include any sensitive health information from medical records or other individually identifiable health information, or any non-public, corporate or trade association information, such as trade secrets or other proprietary information. Comments may be submitted anonymously.

*Inspection of Public Comments:* All comments received before the close of the comment period are available for viewing by the public, including any personally identifiable or confidential business information that is included in a comment. All comments will be made available publicly on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the search instructions on that Web site to view public comments.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Pierre Yong, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services, (202) 690-8384, [Pierre.Yong@hhs.gov](mailto:Pierre.Yong@hhs.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Background

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) provided funding of \$1.1 billion for CER and related activities, and established the Federal Coordinating Council for Comparative Effectiveness Research, which defined CER as the:

Conduct and synthesis of research comparing the benefits and harms of different interventions and strategies to prevent, diagnose, treat and monitor health conditions in "real world" settings. The purpose of CER