demonstrate evidence of its quality assessment and performance improvement program (QAPI) program for review by CMS.

- To meet the requirements at § 482.21(a)(1), DNVHC revised its standards to ensure QAPI is an ongoing program that shows measurable improvements in indicators for which there is evidence that it will improve health outcomes and identify and reduce medical errors.
- To meet the requirements at § 482.21(a)(2), DNVHC revised its standards to ensure the hospital’s QAPI program includes aspects of performance that assess process of care, hospital service, and operations.
- To meet the requirements at § 482.21(c)(2), DNVHC revised its standards to address the hospital’s responsibility to, among other things, implement preventive actions and mechanisms that include feedback and learning throughout the hospital as part of its performance improvement activities.
- To meet the requirements at § 482.21(d)(2), DNVHC revised its standards to clarify that a hospital may choose, as one of its quality initiatives, to develop and implement an information technology system to improve patient safety and quality.
- To meet the requirements at § 482.23(c), DNVHC revised its standards to ensure all drugs and biologicals are administered under the orders of a practitioner responsible for the care of the patient as specified at § 482.12(c).
- To meet the requirements at § 482.23(c)(1), DNVHC revised its standards to include the requirement that blood transfusions and intravenous medications must be administered in accordance with State laws and approved medical staff policies and procedures.
- To meet the requirements at § 482.23(c)(4), DNVHC revised its standards to require blood transfusion reactions be reported immediately to the attending physician.
- To meet the requirements at § 482.30(a)(2), DNVHC revised its standards to address situations where CMS has determined that the utilization review (UR) procedures established by a State under title XIX of the Act are superior to those listed in 42 CFR part 482, thus requiring hospitals in that State to meet the utilization control requirements at § 456.50 through § 456.245 of this chapter of the regulations.
- To meet the requirements at § 482.30(c)(4) and § 482.30(e)(2), DNVHC revised its standards to require that the CAH review cases where the patient’s length of stay exceeds the mean length of stay for the applicable diagnostic-related group (DRG) and the hospitals charges for covered services exceed the DRG payment rate.
- To meet the requirements at § 482.30(d)(1)(i) through § 482.30(d)(3), DNVHC revised its standards to ensure determinations regarding admissions or continued stays are made by the practitioner responsible for the patient as specified in § 482.12(c).
- To meet the requirements at § 482.30(e)(ii), DNVHC revised its standards to require that the utilization review committee conduct a periodic review of each current inpatient receiving hospital services during a continuous period of extended duration for hospitals not paid under the prospective payment system.
- To meet the requirements at § 482.42(a)(2), DNVHC revised its standards to require the infection control officer maintain a log of incidents related to infections and communicable diseases.
- To meet the requirements at § 482.43(e), DNVHC revised its standards to require that the CAH periodically reevaluate its discharge planning process.

B. Term of Approval

Based on the review and observations described in section III, of this final notice, we have determined that DNVHC’s requirements for CAHs meet or exceed our requirements. Therefore, we approve DNVHC as a national accreditation organization for CAHs that request participation in the Medicare program, effective December 23, 2010, through December 23, 2014.

V. Collection of Information Requirements

This document does not impose information collection and recordkeeping requirements. Consequently, it need not be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 35).

VI. Regulatory Impact Statement

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12866, this regulation was not reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

Authority: Section 1865 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395bb).

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.778, Medical Assistance Program) (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance; and Program No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program).

Dated: October 27, 2010.

Donald M. Berwick,
Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meetings. The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Special Emphasis Panel for RO1 Applications.

Date: December 10, 2010.

Time: 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Xiaodu Guo, MD, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 761, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892–5452, (301) 594–4719, guox@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Liver Ancillary Studies.

Date: December 13, 2010.

Time: 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Paul A. Rushing, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 747, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892–5452, (301) 594–8895, rushing@extra.niddk.nih.gov.
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee.

The meeting will be open to the public, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

Name of Committee: Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee.

Date: December 7–8, 2010.

Time: December 7, 2010, 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: The NIH RAC will discuss selected human gene transfer protocols, and related data management activities. Please check the meeting agenda at http://oba.od.nih.gov/rdna_rac/rac_meetings.html for more information.


Contact Person: Chezelle George, Office of Biotechnology Activities, Office of Science Policy/OD, National Institutes of Health, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Room 750, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–496-9838. george@od.nih.gov

Information is also available on the Institute’s/Center’s home page: http://oba.od.nih.gov/rdna/rdna.html, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

OMB’s “Mandatory Information Requirements for Federal Assistance Program Announcements” (45 FR 39592, June 11, 1980) requires a statement concerning the official government programs contained in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance. Normally NIH lists in its announcements the number and title of affected individual programs for the guidance of the public. Because the guidance in this notice covers virtually every NIH and Federal research program in which DNA recombinant molecule techniques could be used, it has been determined not to be cost effective or in the public interest to attempt to list these programs. Such a list would likely require several additional pages. In addition, NIH could not be certain that every Federal program would be included as many Federal agencies, as well as private organizations, both national and international, have elected to follow the NIH Guidelines. In lieu of the individual program listing, NIH invites readers to direct questions to the information address above about whether individual programs listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance are affected.

Cancer: http://cancer.gov

Information is also available on the Federal Domestic Assistance, Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Advisory Committee on Training in Primary Care Medicine and Dentistry

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting cancellation.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the cancellation of the Advisory Committee on Training in Primary Care Medicine and Dentistry, November 15, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and November 16, 2010, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Hilton Washington DC/Rockville Executive Meeting Center, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20850, which was published in the Federal Register on October 19, 2010, FR Doc. 2010–26205 (75 FR 64318).


Robert Hendricks,

Director, Division of Policy and Information Coordination.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control; Special Emphasis Panel: Epi-Centers for the Prevention of Healthcare-Associated Infections, Antimicrobial Resistance and Adverse Events, Funding Opportunity Announcement C11–001; Initial Review

Correction: This notice was published in the Federal Register on September 14, 2010, Volume 75, Number 177, page 55803. The location of the meeting has been changed to the following:

Place: 12 Executive Park Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30333.

Contact Person for More Information: Gregory Anderson, M.S., M.P.H., Scientific Review Officer, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop E60, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone: (404) 498–2293.

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.