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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 Panel (SEP): Determine of the Benefits of Work and/or School Exclusion to Respiratory Illness in Decreasing Influenza Transmission, Funding Opportunity Number (FOA) CK11-007, Initial Review**

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 aforementioned meeting:

*Time and Date:* 8 a.m.-5 p.m., May 2, 2011 (Closed).

*Place:* Sheraton Gateway Hotel Atlanta Airport, 1900 Sullivan Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30337, Telephone: (770) 997-1100.

*Status:* The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 552(b)(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 initial review, discussion, and evaluation of applications received in response to "Determine of the Benefits of Work and/or School Exclusion to Respiratory Illness in Decreasing Influenza Transmission"]

*Contact Person for More Information:* Dr. Amy Yang, Scientific Review Officer, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop E60, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, Telephone: (404) 498-2733.

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 the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

[Docket Number NIOSH 134-A]

**Request for Information: Update of NIOSH Nanotechnology Strategic Plan for Research and Guidance**

**AGENCY:** National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice of public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) seeks comment on the types of hazard identification and risk management research that should be considered for updating the NIOSH 2009 nanotechnology strategic plan.

*Public Comment Period:* Comments must be received by April 15, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments, identified by docket number NIOSH 134-A, may be submitted by any of the following ways:

- *Mail:* NIOSH Docket Office, Robert A. Taft Laboratories, MS-C-34, 4676 Columbia Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226.
- *Facsimile:* (513) 533-8285.
- *E-mail:* [nioshdocket@cdc.gov](mailto:nioshdocket@cdc.gov).

All information received in response to this notice will be available for public examination and copying at the NIOSH Docket Office, 4676 Columbia Parkway, Room 109, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226. A complete electronic docket containing all comments submitted will be available thirty days after the public comment period on the NIOSH Web page at <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docket>, and comments will be available in writing by request. NIOSH includes all comments received without change in the docket, including any personal information provided. All electronic comments should be formatted as Microsoft Word. Please make reference to docket number NIOSH 134-A.

*Background:* Since 2004, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has pioneered research on the toxicological properties and characteristics of nanoparticles. This research has involved characterizing occupationally relevant nanoparticles for predicting whether these particles pose a risk of adverse health effects and for providing guidance on controlling workplace exposures. In September 2005, NIOSH developed a strategic plan to further guide the Institute in identifying and prioritizing nanotechnology research. In 2009 this strategic plan [[http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/nanotech/strat\\_plan.html](http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/nanotech/strat_plan.html)] was updated based on knowledge gained from results of ongoing NIOSH research [see *Progress Toward Safe Nanotechnology in the Workplace; A Report from the NIOSH Nanotechnology Research Center* <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2007-123/>] and from stakeholder input.

NIOSH would like to build on the accomplishments of ongoing research [see <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2010-104/>] to develop strategic research goals and objectives through 2015. NIOSH has identified 10 critical research areas for nanotechnology research and communication. These 10 critical research areas are (1) toxicity and internal dose, (2) measurement methods, (3) exposure assessment, (4) epidemiology and surveillance, (5) risk assessment, (6) engineering controls and personal protective equipment (PPE), (7) fire and explosion safety, (8) recommendations and guidance, (9) communication and information, and (10) applications.

NIOSH is considering focusing the overarching strategic research goals for these critical areas on 5 key goals: (1) Provide guidance to protect workers, (2) alert workers, employers, governments, and the public about possible new hazards, (3) assess the hazards of nanomaterials and the risks to workers, (4) help workers by assessing and implementing exposure registries, and (5) assess the level of protection practiced in US workplaces.

NIOSH requests comment on how research in these 10 critical areas and the 5 overarching goals can be enhanced. Examples of requested information include, but are not limited to:

- (1) The need for toxicity evaluation and/or workplace exposure characterization of engineered nanoparticles not currently being studied\*.