

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Delegation of Authorities

Notice is hereby given that I have delegated to the Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), and the Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration (FDA), with authority to re-delegate, the authorities vested in the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services under Section 6004 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148, which adds Section 1128H [42 U.S.C. 1320a-7i] to the Social Security Act.

I hereby delegate to CMS the authority vested in the Secretary to issue guidance and take other appropriate actions, to the extent that Section 1128H [42 U.S.C. 1320a-7i] relates to Titles XVIII (Medicare), XIX (Medicaid), or XXI (State Children's Health Insurance Program) of the Social Security Act.

I hereby delegate to FDA all other authority vested in the Secretary under Section 1128H [42 U.S.C. 1320a-7i]. This shall include, but is not limited to, issuing guidance and taking other appropriate action to the extent that Section 1128H [42 U.S.C. 1320a-7i] relates to Section 503 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act; identifying the information to be collected as allowed by Sections 1128H(a)(1)(B) [42 U.S.C. 1320a-7i(a)(1)(B)] and 1128H(a)(2)(B) [42 U.S.C. 1320a-7i(a)(2)(B)]; and generally, with respect to the information to be submitted under Section 1128H(a) [42 U.S.C. 1320a-7i(a)], issuing guidance and taking other appropriate action to identify the information to be submitted and the manner of submission, and overseeing and making arrangements for the collection, maintenance, and availability of such information.

This delegation shall be exercised in accordance with the Department's applicable policies, procedures, and guidelines.

I hereby affirm and ratify any actions taken by the Administrator, CMS, the Commissioner, FDA, or other CMS and FDA officials, which involve the exercise of these authorities prior to the effective date of this delegation.

This delegation of authorities is effective upon date of signature.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3101.

Dated: September 30, 2011.

Kathleen Sebelius,

Secretary of Health and Human Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, this notice announces a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, November 4, 2011, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Room 800, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen Brooks, Coordinator of the Advisory Council, at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 540 Gaither Road, Rockville, Maryland 20850, (301) 427-1801. For press-related information, please contact Karen Migdail at (301) 427-1855.

If sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodation for a disability is needed, please contact the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Office of Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity Management on (301) 827-4840, no later than October 21, 2011. The agenda, roster, and minutes are available from Ms. Bonnie Campbell, Committee Management Officer, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 540 Gaither Road, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Ms. Campbell's phone number is (301) 427-1554.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Purpose

The National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality is authorized by Section 941 of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 299c. In accordance with its statutory mandate, the Council is to advise the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Director, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), on matters related to AHRQ's conduct of its mission including providing guidance on (A) Priorities for health care research, (B) the field of health care research including training needs and information dissemination on health care quality and (C) the role of

the Agency in light of private sector activity and opportunities for public private partnerships.

The Council is composed of members of the public, appointed by the Secretary, and Federal ex-officio members specified in the authorizing legislation.

II. Agenda

On Friday, November 4, there will be a subcommittee meeting for the National Healthcare Quality and Disparities Report scheduled to begin at 7:30 a.m. The Council meeting will convene at 8:30 a.m., with the call to order by the Council Chair and approval of previous Council summary notes. The AHRQ Director will present her update on current research, programs, and initiatives. The final agenda will be available on the AHRQ Web site at <http://www.ahrq.gov> no later than October 31, 2011.

Dated: September 26, 2011.

Carolyn M. Clancy,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call 404-639-5960 or send comments to Daniel Holcomb, CDC Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS D-74, Atlanta, GA 30333 or send an e-mail to omb@cdc.gov.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be