DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice; 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 meetings:

Name: National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice (NACNEP).

Dates and Times: November 7, 2011, 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.; November 8, 2011, 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

Place: Georgetown University Hotel & Conference Center, 3800 Reservoir Road, NW., Washington, DC 20057.

Status: The meeting will be open to the public.

Purpose: The purpose of this meeting is to delineate the contribution of nursing workforce development to meeting the health and health care challenges facing the nation, and to articulate a strategic vision and agenda for NACNEP in meeting those challenges. The objectives of the meeting are: (1) To identify the key issues challenging nursing workforce development in meeting the health care needs of the nation; (2) to develop goals and a blueprint for Council action to address these challenges; and (3) to articulate the activities, initiatives, and stakeholder partnerships that are critical to advancing 21st century interprofessional education and practice models needed to promote the health of the public. This meeting will form the basis for NACNEP’s mandated Twelfth Annual Report to the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Congress.

Agenda: The meeting will include a panel presentation and discussion focused around the purpose and objectives of this meeting. The agenda will be available on the NACNEP website http://www.hrsa.gov/advisorycommittees/bhp/pradvisory/nacnep/index.html one day prior to the meeting. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate. Those requesting to participate in the meeting can do so by contacting the Designated Federal Officer by email. Interested parties will participate by invitation.

For Further Information Contact: For further information regarding NACNEP, to obtain a roster of members, minutes of the meeting, or other relevant information, contact Commander Serina Hunter-Thomas, Designated Federal Officer, National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice, Parklawn Building, Room 9–61, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857; e-mail SHunter-Thomas@Hrsa.gov; telephone (301) 443–5688.

The Council will join the three other advisory committees in the Bureau of Health Professions (BHP) for the fourth BHP’s All-Advisory Committee Meeting on Wednesday, November 9, 2011. Please refer to the Federal Register notice for the BHP’s All-Advisory Committee Meeting for additional details.

Dated: October 12, 2011.

Reva Harris, Acting Director, Division of Policy and Information Coordination.

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Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

This notice amends Part R of the Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) (60 FR 56605, as amended November 6, 1995; as last amended at 76 FR 62420–62421 dated October 7, 2011).

This notice reflects organizational changes in the Health Resources and Services Administration. Specifically, this notice reorganizes the Office of Women’s Health (RAW) to the Immediate Office of the Administrator (RA), in accordance with Section 3509(f) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA), Public Law 111–148, which requires the Secretary to establish an Office of Women’s Health within the Office of the Administrator of HRSA.

Chapter RA—Office of the Administrator

Section RA–10, Organization

Delete in its entirety and replace with the following:

The Office of the Administrator (RA) is headed by the Administrator, Health Resources and Services Administration, who reports directly to the Secretary. The OA includes the following components:

(1) Immediate Office of the Administrator (RA);
(2) Office of Equal Opportunity, Civil Rights, and Diversity Management (RA2);
(3) Office of Planning, Analysis, and Evaluation (RA3);
(4) Office of Communications (RA6);
(5) Office of Special Health Affairs (RA3);
(6) Office of Legislation (RAE); and (7) Office of Women’s Health (RAW).

Section RA–20, Functions

Update the functional statement for the Immediate Office of the Administrator (RA); and move the Office of Women’s Health (RAW) from the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (RM) to the Immediate Office of the Administrator (RA).

Immediate Office of the Administrator (RA)

(1) Leads and directs programs and activities of the Agency and advises the Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services on policy matters concerning them; (2) provides consultation and assistance to senior Agency officials and others on clinical and health professional issues; (3) serves as the Agency’s focal point on efforts to strengthen the practice of public health as it pertains to the HRSA mission; (4) establishes and maintains verbal and written communications with health organizations in the public and private sectors to support the mission of HRSA; (5) coordinates the Agency’s strategic, evaluation and research planning processes; (6) manages the legislative and communications programs for the Agency; (7) administers HRSA’s equal opportunity and civil rights activities; (8) provides overall leadership, direction, coordination, and planning in the support of the Agency’s special health programs; and (9) manages the health, wellness, and safety of women and girls with the support of the Office of Women’s Health, through policy, programming and outreach education.

Office of Women’s Health (RAW)

(1) Serves in a leadership capacity on women’s health and sex/gender-specific issues and policy for HRSA senior managers and with other agencies in HHS; (2) coordinates and supports sex/gender-specific disease prevention and health promotion activities within HRSA and HHS; (3) serves as the HRSA liaison with other Federal and non-Federal individuals and organizations working on women’s health and sex/gender-specific health related issues; (4) provides mentorship experiences for scholars and interns and encourages staff development opportunities; and (5) supports educational and information dissemination efforts on topics related to sex/gender-specific health issues.

Section RA–30, Delegations of Authority

All delegations and re-delegations of authority made to HRSA officials and employees of affected organizational components will continue in them or