GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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The President’s Management Advisory Board (PMAB); Notification of Upcoming Public Advisory Board Meeting

AGENCY: Office of Executive Councils, U.S. General Services Administration (GSA).

ACTION: Meeting notice.

SUMMARY: The President’s Management Advisory Board (PMAB), a Federal Advisory Committee established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App., and Executive Order 13538, will hold a public meeting on Friday, March 30, 2012.

DATES: Effective date: March 2, 2012.

Meeting date: The meeting will be held on Friday, March 30, 2012, beginning at 9 a.m. eastern time, ending no later than 1 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Stephen Brockelman, Designated Federal Officer, President’s Management Advisory Board, Office of Executive Councils, General Services Administration, 1776 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20006, at stephen.brockelman@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The PMAB was established to provide independent advice and recommendations to the President and the President’s Management Council on a wide range of issues related to the development of effective strategies for the implementation of best business practices to improve Federal Government management and operation, with a particular focus on productivity and the application of technology.

Agenda: The main purpose for this meeting is for the PMAB to hear reports from federal agency executives regarding their progress in implementing PMAB’s recommendations to the President’s Management Council, issued in September 2011. The Board previously heard from agencies regarding their plans to implement the PMAB’s recommendations aimed at improving Information Technology (IT) portfolio and project management, IT vendor performance management, Senior Executive Service (SES) leadership development and SES performance appraisal systems at its November 4, 2011 meeting. The meeting will also include a discussion of potential government performance issue areas of focus for the PMAB in the upcoming year. More detailed information on the PMAB recommendations can be found on the PMAB Web site (see below).

Meeting Access: The PMAB will convene its meeting in the Eisenhower Executive Office Building, 1650 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC. Due to security, there will be no public admittance to the Eisenhower Building to attend the meeting. However, the meeting is open to the public; interested members of the public may view the PMAB’s discussion at http://www.whitehouse.gov/live. Members of the public wishing to comment on the discussion or topics outlined in the Agenda should follow the steps detailed in Procedures for Providing Public Comments below.

Availability of Materials for the Meeting: Please see the PMAB Web site (http://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/advisory-boards/pmab) for any available materials and detailed meeting minutes after the meeting. Procedures for Providing Public Comments: In general, public statements will be posted on the PMAB Web site (see above). Non-electronic documents will be made available for public inspection and copying in PMAB offices at GSA, 1776 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20006, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. eastern time. You can make an appointment to inspect statements by telephoning (202) 501–1398. All statements, including attachments and other supporting materials, received are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. Any statements submitted in connection with the PMAB meeting will be made available to the public under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

The public is invited to submit written statements for this meeting to the PMAB prior to the meeting until 5 p.m. eastern time on Thursday, March 29, 2012, by the following methods:

Electronic or Paper Statements: Submit written statements to Mr. Brockelman at the PMAB GSA address above.

Comments: Time is allocated on the agenda to hear public comments, but due to the teleconference format, all members of the public wishing to make comments must send an email to napa@hs.gov indicating a desire to make a public comment no later than Friday, March 9. Public comments will be limited to no more than 3 minutes per speaker. In lieu of oral comments, formal written comments may be submitted for the record to Helen Brockelman at the PMAB GSA address above.

Dated: February 27, 2012.

John C. Thomas,
Deputy Director, Office of Committee and Regulatory Management, Office of Governmentwide Policy, General Services Administration.
Lamont, OASPE, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Room 424E, Washington, DC 20201. Comments may also be sent to napo@hhs.gov. Those submitting written comments should identify themselves and any relevant organizational affiliations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Helen Lamont (202) 690–7996, helen.lamont@hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Topics of the Meeting: The Advisory Council will discuss the Draft National Plan to Address Alzheimer’s Disease. Procedure and Agenda: This teleconference meeting is open to the public. The chairs of the three subcommittees (Research, Clinical Care, Long-Term Services and Supports) will summarize feedback from their subcommittees on the Draft National Plan to Address Alzheimer’s Disease. This feedback will be discussed among the full Advisory Council.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 11225; Section 2(e)(3) of the National Alzheimer’s Project Act. The panel is governed by provisions of Public Law 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.


Sherry Glied, Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary; Departmental Appeals Board; Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Departmental Appeals Board, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Departmental Appeals Board is announcing this reorganization which allows for greater flexibility and better reflects the current work environment and priorities within the organization.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Peltzer, 202–565–0169.

This notice amends Part A (Office of the Secretary), Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) at Chapter AH, Departmental Appeals Board (DAB), as last amended at 60 FR 52403–52405, dated October 6, 1995, as follows: I. Under Section AH.10 Organization, add “DAB” as a parenthetical after the “Departmental Appeals Board.” Under Section AH.10 Organization, Paragraph A, delete “The Immediate Office of the Departmental Appeals Board,” and replace with “The Immediate Office of the Chair”; delete “(3) The Director of Administration” in its entirety and renumber the remaining list. Under Section AH.10 Organization, add Paragraph F, The Operations Division and reorganize the preceding paragraphs as follows: Paragraph B, The Appellate Division; Paragraph C, The Civil Remedies Division; Paragraph D, The Medicare Operations Division.

II. Under Section AH.20, Functions, Paragraph A, delete “Departmental Appeals Board” and replace with “Chair” and, except for references to “Board Member,” replace references to the “Board” with “DAB.” Delete the remaining Paragraphs and replace with the following:

B. The Appellate Division provides attorney support to assist in the Board’s administrative review of such cases as: (1) Disallowances of federal grant funds under Titles I, IV, X, XIV, XIX and XX of the Social Security Act; (2) determinations by the Administrative Law Judges in civil remedies cases; (3) disapprovals of state plans and state plan amendments under section 1116(a)(2) of the Social Security Act; (4) disputes involving direct discretionary grants, cost allocation plans and indirect cost rates; (5) challenges to the validity of National Coverage Determinations issued by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services; (6) disputes involving civil rights reviews; and (7) adverse reimbursement determinations under the reinsurance program established by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The Division is headed by a Director who is a supervisory attorney and manages the Division’s resources and advises Board Members. Attorneys in the Division research legal issues, review and evaluate case files, briefs and transcripts; assist in pre-hearing proceedings; draft decisions; provide advice and assistance to ALJs on the conduct of cases and decisions; and assist at hearings.

C. The Civil Remedies Division provides attorney support to Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) to assist the ALJs in the hearing and disposition of such cases as: (1) Sanctions by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and the HHS Inspector General against persons and entities associated with participation as a provider in federally funded health care programs or as an employee, contractor, or other fiscal relationship with the Department; (2) contract declinations and other adverse actions by the Indian Health Service; (3) termination of federal funding and other sanctions by the Office for Civil Rights; (4) certain adverse actions involving the Social Security Administration; and (5) civil money penalty matters that the Food and Drug Administration’s Center for Tobacco Products brings against retailers for violations of provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. The Division is headed by a Director who is a supervisory attorney who manages the Division’s resources and assigns cases to the ALJs. Attorneys in the Division research legal issues; review and evaluate case files, briefs and transcripts; assist in pre-hearing proceedings; draft decisions; provide advice and assistance to ALJs on the conduct of cases and decisions; and assist at hearings.

D. The Medicare Operations Division provides attorney support to assist in review of ALJ decisions issued by the Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals regarding entitlement to Medicare and individual claims for Medicare coverage and payment filed by beneficiaries or health care providers/suppliers sought under title XVIII of the Social Security Act. The Division is headed by a Director who is a supervisory attorney who assigns cases and oversees the Division’s operations. Attorneys in the Division research legal issues; review and evaluate case files, briefs and transcripts; assist in pre-hearing proceedings; draft decisions; provide advice and assistance to Administrative Law Judges on the conduct of cases and decisions; and assist at hearings.

E. The Alternative Dispute Resolution Division provides Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) services in appeals filed with any of the Board’s three adjudicative Divisions. The ADR Division also supports the HHS Dispute Resolution Specialist (Chair, Departmental Appeals Board) in carrying out his/her responsibilities for ADR policy and program development under the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The ADR Division’s services and support include: Mediation of program disputes filed with DAB; organizational ombuds assistance to members of the public and parties to cases; ADR policy guidance to HHS management; regulatory negotiation for HHS program divisions; mediation and organizational intervention in EEO and workplace disputes; oversight of the Sharing Neutrals Program (a mediator exchange for local federal agencies), and training in conflict management techniques. The Division is headed by a Director who is a supervisory attorney.