DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Advisory Committee to the Director (ACD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention—Health Disparities Subcommittee (HDS)

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 following meeting of the aforementioned subcommittee:

Times And Dates: 1:00 p.m.—2:30 p.m., EDT, August 11, 2015

Place: This meeting will be held by teleconference. To participate in the teleconference, please dial (866) 763–0273 Passcode: 6158968.

Status: This meeting is open to the public, limited only by the availability of telephone ports. The public is welcome to participate during the public comment period, which is tentatively scheduled from 2:15 to 2:30 p.m.

Purpose: The Subcommittee will provide advice to the CDC Director through the ACD on strategic and other health disparities and health equity issues and provide guidance on opportunities for CDC.

Matters For Discussion: The Health Disparities Subcommittee members will discuss progress toward implementation of the Health Disparities Subcommittee recommendations and discuss the intersection of health disparities and women’s health.

The agenda is subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person For More Information:

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Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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[60Day—15–15AUJ; Docket No. CDC–2015–0056]

Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice with comment period.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing efforts to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on the Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Program (PCNASP) reporting system, which was established to improve quality of care for acute stroke patients from onset of signs and symptoms through hospital care and rehabilitation and recovery.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before September 18, 2015.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC–2015–0056 by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: Regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Mail: Leroy A. Richardson, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE., MS–D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket Number. All relevant comments received will be posted without change to Regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to Regulations.gov.

Please note: All public comment should be submitted through the Federal eRulemaking portal (Regulations.gov) or by U.S. mail to the address listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, contact the Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE., MS–D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; phone: 404–639–7570; Email: omb@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. In addition, the PRA also requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each new
proposed collection, each proposed extension of existing collection of information, and each reinstatement of previously approved information collection before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, we are publishing this notice of a proposed data collection as described below.

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 collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Proposed Project

Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Program (PCNASP)—New—National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP). Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

Stroke is the fifth leading cause of death in the United States and results in approximately 130,000 deaths per year. Additionally, approximately 800,000 stroke events are reported each year, including approximately 250,000 recurrent strokes. However, many strokes are preventable, or their severity can be reduced through coordinated care that is delivered in a timely manner.

Stroke outcomes depend upon the rapid recognition of signs and symptoms of stroke, prompt transport to a treatment facility, and early rehabilitation. Improving outcomes requires a coordinated systems approach involving pre-hospital care, emergency department and hospital care, rehabilitation, prevention of complications, and ongoing secondary prevention. Each care setting has unique opportunities for improving the quality of care provided and access to available professional and clinical care at the local level within a coordinated state-based system of care.

Through the Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Program (PCNASP), CDC has been continuously working to measure and improve acute stroke care using well-known quality improvement strategies coupled with frequent evaluation of results. PCNASP awardees are state health departments who work with participating hospitals and EMS agencies in their jurisdictions to improve quality of care for stroke patients. State-based efforts include in-hospital quality of care (QoC) issues with technical assistance provided by CDC. Through lessons learned during this process and other supporting evidence in the field, it has become evident that it is also important to examine pre- and post-hospital transitions of care to link the entire continuum of stroke care when improving QoC for stroke patients.

The PCNASP will continue under a new five-year cooperative agreement cycles, PCNASP awardees focused on in-hospital quality of care (QoC) issues with technical assistance provided by CDC. Through lessons learned during this process and other supporting evidence in the field, it has become evident that it is also important to examine pre- and post-hospital transitions of care to link the entire continuum of stroke care when improving QoC for stroke patients.

The new cooperative agreement funding cycle will include pre-hospital (EMS), in-hospital, and post-hospital patient care data. Data to be collected for pre- and in-hospital care closely align with standards of The Joint Commission (TJC), the American Heart Association’s Get With The Guidelines (GWTG) program, and the National Emergency Medical Services Information System (NEMSIS). CDC and awardees will work on defining performance measures for the post-hospital transition of care setting. Data from these three settings will be transmitted from the awardees to CDC quarterly. The average burden per response for this data will vary between 30–90 minutes. The burden will be 30 minutes each for independent submission of information relating to the pre-hospital, in-hospital, and post-hospital phases of patient care. Alternatively, the burden will be 90 minutes for awardees who transmit pre-, in-, and post-hospital data as one combined file. CDC accepts file transmissions as individual phases or combined.

In addition, the new cooperative agreement funding cycle will also include primary data collection of hospital inventory data to understand the capacity and infrastructure of the hospitals that admit and treat stroke patients. Each hospital will report inventory information to its PCNASP awardee annually. The average burden per response is 15 minutes. In addition, each PCNASP awardee will prepare an annual aggregate hospital inventory file for transmission to CDC. The average burden of reporting hospital inventory information for each PCNASP awardee is 8 hours per response. All patient, hospital, and EMS provider data that is submitted to CDC by PCNASP awardees will be de-identified and occur through secure data systems.

Proposed data elements and quality indicators may be updated over time to include new or revised items based on evolving recommendations and standards in the field to improve the quality of stroke care.

OMB approval is requested for three years. All information is submitted to CDC electronically. Participation is voluntary and there are no costs to respondents other than their time.
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Informational Meeting: The Importation and Exportation of Infectious Biological Agents, Infectious Substances and Vectors; Public Webcast

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice of public webcast.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is hosting a public webcast which will include representatives from the U.S. Department of Transportation, USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services, CDC Division of Global Migration and Quarantine, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, HHS/Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response/Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority. This public webcast will address import and export regulations for infectious biological agents, infectious substances, and vectors, and import and export exemptions. The purpose of this notice is to inform all interested parties, including those individuals and entities already possessing an import or export permit (or license) of the webcast.

DATES: The webcast will be held on September 16, 2015 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. EDT. Registration instructions are found on the HHS/CDC’s Import Permit Program Web site, http://www.cdc.gov/od/eaipp/importApplication/agents.htm.

ADDRESSES: The webcast will be broadcast from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Von McClire, Division of Select Agents and Toxins, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE., MS A–46, Atlanta, GA 30333; phone: 404–718–2000; email: lrsat@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This webcast is an opportunity for the regulated community (i.e., academic institutions and biomedical centers, commercial manufacturing facilities, federal, state, and local laboratories, including clinical and diagnostic laboratories, research facilities, exhibition facilities, and educational facilities) and other interested individuals to obtain specific regulatory guidance and information regarding import and export regulations. The webcast will also provide assistance to those interested in applying for an import or export permit (or license) from federal agencies within the United States.

Instructions for registration are found on the HHS/CDC’s Import Permit Program Web site, http://www.cdc.gov/od/eaipp/importApplication/agents.htm. Participants must register by September 2, 2015. This is a webcast only event and there will be no on-site participation at the HHS/CDC broadcast facility.

Dated: July 15, 2015.

Pamela J. Cox,
Director, Division of the Executive Secretariat, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH or Advisory Board), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

Correction: This notice was published in the Federal Register on June 30, 2015, Volume 80, Number 125, Pages 37263–37264. The time and date should read as follows:

Time and Date: 8:15 a.m.–5:30 p.m., Mountain Time, July 23, 2015.

Public Comment Time and Date: 5:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m., Mountain Time, July 23, 2015.

Contact Person for More Information: Theodore Katz, Designated Federal Officer, NIOSH, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road NE., MS E–20, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone: (513) 533–6800, toll free: 1–800–CDC–INFO, email: dcas@cdc.gov.

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