

Place: Nat. Inst. of Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T. W. Alexander Drive, Conference Rooms 101 A, B, and C, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Closed: October 18, 2010, 2:45 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate programmatic and personnel issues.

Place: Nat. Inst. of Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T. W. Alexander Drive, Conference Rooms 101 A, B, and C, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Open: October 18, 2010, 3:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: Scientific Presentations.

Place: Nat. Inst. of Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T. W. Alexander Drive, Conference Rooms 101 A, B, and C, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Closed: October 18, 2010, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate programmatic and personnel issues.

Place: Nat. Inst. of Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T. W. Alexander Drive, Conference Rooms 101 A, B, and C, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Closed: October 18, 2010, 7:30 p.m. to Adjournment.

Agenda: To review and evaluate programmatic and personnel issues.

Place: Doubletree Guest Suites, 2515 Meridian Parkway, Research Triangle Park, NC 27713.

Closed: October 19, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate programmatic and personnel issues.

Place: Nat. Inst. of Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T. W. Alexander Drive, Conference Rooms 101 A, B, and C, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Contact Person: William T Schrader, PhD, Deputy Scientific Director, Office of the Scientific Director, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (919) 541-3433, schrader@niehs.nih.gov.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.115, Biometry and Risk Estimation—Health Risks from Environmental Exposures; 93.142, NIEHS Hazardous Waste Worker Health and Safety Training; 93.143, NIEHS Superfund Hazardous Substances—Basic Research and Education; 93.894, Resources and Manpower Development in the Environmental Health Sciences; 93.113, Biological Response to Environmental Health Hazards; 93.114, Applied Toxicological Research and Testing, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: September 9, 2010.

Jennifer S. Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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

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 committee:

Time and Date: 11 a.m.–2 p.m., October 7, 2010.

Place: Audio Conference Call via FTS Conferencing. The USA toll-free, dial-in number is 1(866) 659-0537 and the pass code is 9933701.

Status: Open to the public, but without a public comment period.

Background: The Advisory Board was established under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 to advise the President on a variety of policy and technical functions required to implement and effectively manage the new compensation program. Key functions of the Advisory Board include providing advice on the development of probability of causation guidelines, which have been promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as a final rule; advice on methods of dose reconstruction, which have also been promulgated by HHS as a final rule; advice on the scientific validity and quality of dose estimation and reconstruction efforts being performed for purposes of the compensation program; and advice on petitions to add classes of workers to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

In December 2000, the President delegated responsibility for funding, staffing, and operating the Advisory Board to HHS, which subsequently delegated this authority to the CDC. NIOSH implements this responsibility for CDC. The charter was issued on August 3, 2001, renewed at appropriate intervals and will expire on August 3, 2011.

Purpose: This Advisory Board is charged with (a) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the development of guidelines under Executive Order 13179; (b) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the scientific validity and quality of dose reconstruction efforts performed for this program; and (c) upon request by the Secretary, HHS, advising the Secretary on whether there is a class of employees at any Department of Energy facility who were

exposed to radiation but for whom it is not feasible to estimate their radiation dose, and on whether there is reasonable likelihood that such radiation doses may have endangered the health of members of this class.

Matters to be Discussed: The agenda for the conference call includes: NIOSH 10-Year Review of its Division of Compensation Analysis and Support (DCAS) Program; Review of Public Comments to the Advisory Board during May 2010 Meeting; Status of DOL Policy Issuance on Use of Ruttenber Data; Coordinating DCAS Support of Board Activities; Advisory Board Subcommittee and Work Group Updates; and, DCAS SEC Petition Evaluations Update for the November 2010 Advisory Board Meeting.

The agenda is subject to change as priorities dictate.

Because there is not a public comment period, written comments may be submitted. Any written comments received will be included in the official record of the meeting and should be submitted to the contact person below in advance of the meeting.

Contact Person for More Information:

Theodore M. Katz, M.P.A., Executive Secretary, NIOSH, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road NE., Mailstop: E-20, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone (513) 533-6800, Toll Free 1(800) CDC-INFO, E-mail ocas@cdc.gov.

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 CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: September 14, 2010.

Elaine L. Baker,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Patient Safety Organizations: Voluntary delisting

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

ACTION: Notice of Delisting.

SUMMARY: AHRQ has accepted a notification of voluntary relinquishment from the Florida Patient Safety Corporation of its status as a Patient Safety Organization (PSO). The Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005 (Patient Safety Act), Public Law 109-41, 42 U.S.C. 299b-21—b-26, provides for the formation of PSOs, which collect, aggregate, and analyze confidential information regarding the quality and safety of health care

delivery. The Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Final Rule (Patient Safety Rule), 42 CFR Part 3, authorizes AHRQ, on behalf of the Secretary of HHS, to list as a PSO an entity that attests that it meets the statutory and regulatory requirements for listing. A PSO can be "delisted" by the Secretary if it is found to no longer meet the requirements of the Patient Safety Act and Patient Safety Rule, including when a PSO chooses to voluntarily relinquish its status as a PSO for any reason.

DATES: The directories for both listed and delisted PSOs are ongoing and reviewed weekly by AHRQ. The delisting was effective at 12 Midnight ET (2400) on April 1, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Both directories can be accessed electronically at the following HHS Web site: <http://www.pso.AHRQ.gov/index.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Cousins, RPh., Center for Quality Improvement and Patient Safety, AHRQ, 540 Gaither Road, Rockville, MD 20850; Telephone (toll free): (866) 403-3697; Telephone (local): (301) 427-1111; TTY (toll free): (866) 438-7231; TTY (local): (301) 427-1130; E-mail: psa@AHRQ.hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Patient Safety Act authorizes the listing of PSOs, which are entities or component organizations whose mission and primary activity is to conduct activities to improve patient safety and the quality of health care delivery.

HHS issued the Patient Safety Rule to implement the Patient Safety Act. AHRQ administers the provisions of the Patient Safety Act and Patient Safety Rule (PDF file, 450 KB. PDF Help) relating to the listing and operation of PSOs. Section 3108(d) of the Patient Safety Rule requires AHRQ to provide public notice when it removes a PSO from listing. AHRQ has accepted a notification from the Florida Patient Safety Corporation, PSO number P0001, to voluntarily relinquish its status as a PSO. Accordingly, the Florida Patient Safety Corporation was delisted effective at 12 Midnight ET (2400) on April 1, 2010.

More information on PSOs can be obtained through AHRQ's PSO Web site at <http://www.pso.AHRQ.gov/index.html>.

Dated: September 3, 2010.

Carolyn M. Clancy,
Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

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 75 FR 51088-51091 dated August 18, 2010).

This notice reflects organizational changes in the Health Resources and Services Administration. This notice updates the functional statement for the Office of Special Health Affairs (RA1) and the functional statement for the Office of Planning, Analysis and Evaluation (RA5). Specifically, this notice moves the Office of Health Information Technology and Quality (RA52) from the Office of Planning, Analysis and Evaluation (RA5) to the Office of Special Health Affairs (RA1); abolishes the Office of Data Management and Research (RA54) and establishes the Office of Research and Evaluation (RA56); and eliminates the Office of Planning and Evaluation (RA51) and moves its functions to the Office of Research and Evaluation (RA56).

Chapter RA1—Office of Special Health Affairs

Section RA1-10, Organization

Delete in its entirety and replace with the following:

The Office is headed by the Director, Office of Special Health Affairs (RA1), who reports directly to the Administrator, Health Resources and Services Administration. Office of Special Health Affairs includes the following components:

- (1) Office of the Director (RA1);
- (2) Office of Health Equity (RA11);
- (3) Office of Global Health Affairs (RA12);
- (4) Office of Strategic Priorities (RA13); and
- (5) Office of Health Information Technology and Quality (RA14).

Section RA1-20, Functions

(1) Delete the functional statement for the Office of the Director (RA1) and replace in its entirety; and (2) establish the Office of Health Information Technology and Quality (RA14).

Office of the Director (RA1)

Provides overall leadership, direction, coordination, and planning in the support of the Agency's special health programs. Specifically: (1) Plans and directs activities to advance health equity and improve minority health and eliminate health disparities; (2) develops strategies to maximize HRSA's participation in efforts to improve health care for vulnerable populations worldwide; (3) provides leadership and direction to improve the delivery and quality of oral health care, mental health and other priority health concerns; (4) provides leadership in the development of policies on health information technology and quality; and (5) provides support for the Department's Medical Claims Review Panel.

Office of Health Information Technology and Quality (RA14)

Serves as the principal advisor and coordinator to the Agency for health information technology and quality. Specifically: (1) Provides support, policy direction, and leadership for HRSA's health quality efforts; (2) serves as the focal point for developing policy to promote the coordination and advancement of health information technology, including telehealth, to HRSA's programs, including the use of electronic health record systems; (3) develops an Agency-wide health information technology and telehealth strategy for HRSA; (4) assists HRSA components in program-level health information technology and health quality efforts; (5) ensures successful dissemination of appropriate information technology advances, such as electronic health records systems, to HRSA programs; (6) works collaboratively with States, foundations, national organizations, private sector providers, as well as departmental agencies and other Federal departments in order to promote the adoption of health information technology and health quality policy; (7) ensures the health information technology policy and activities of HRSA are coordinated with those of other HHS components; (8) assesses the impact of health information technology and quality initiatives in the community, especially for the uninsured, underserved, and special needs populations; (9) translates technological advances in health information technology to HRSA's programs; (10) provides guidance in using the results of the medical claims review process to HRSA programs to improve quality; and (11) provides support for the Department's Medical Claims Review Panel.