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Assistant Commissioner for Policy.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Advisory Committee on Special Studies Relating to the Possible Long-Term Health Effects of Phenoxy Herbicides and Contaminants (Ranch Hand Advisory Committee); Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The meeting will be open to the public.

Name of Committee: Advisory
Committee on Special Studies Relating
to the Possible Long-Term Health Effects
of Phenoxy Herbicides and
Contaminants (Ranch Hand Advisory
Committee).

General Function of the Committee:
To advise the Secretary and the
Assistant Secretary for Health
concerning its oversight of the conduct
of the Ranch Hand study by the U.S. Air
Force and provide scientific oversight of
the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
Army Chemical Corps Vietnam Veterans
Health Study, and other studies in
which the Secretary or the Assistant
Secretary for Health believes
involvement by the committee is
desirable.

Date and Time: The meeting will be held on September 22, 2004, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Location: Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1066, Rockville, MD 20857.

Contact Person: Leonard Schechtman, National Center for Toxicological Research, Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 16–85, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–6696, or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1–800–741–8138 (301–443–0572 in the Washington, DC area), code 3014512560. Please call the Information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting.

Agenda: The Air Force will present for review to The Ranch Hand Advisory Committee the following chapters from the ongoing study: Chapter 19, "Immunology;" chapter 8, "Covariates;" chapter 12, "Psychology;" chapter 16, "Hematology;" chapter 15, "Cardiovascular;" chapter 7, "Statistical Methods;" chapter 5, "Study Selection and Participation;" and chapter 18,

"Endocrine."

Procedure: Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by September 20, 2004. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled on September 22, 2004, between approximately 12:15 p.m. and 12:40 p.m. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited.

Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person before September 20, 2004, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time requested to make their presentation.

Persons attending FDA's advisory committee meetings are advised that the agency is not responsible for providing access to electrical outlets.

FDA welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Leonard Schechtman at least 7 days in advance of the meeting.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2).

Dated: September 13, 2004.

William K. Hubbard,

Associate Commissioner for Policy and Planning.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Pilot Study Evaluating the Cross-Cultural Equivalency of the Tobacco Use Supplement to the Current Population Survey (TUS-CPS)

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of

the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the National Cancer OInstitute (NCI), the National Institutes of Health (NIH) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review and approval of the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register on March 3, 2004 (vol. 51, number 226, pp. 42420-42422) and allowed 60 days for public comment. The National Institutes of Health may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, any information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB number.

Proposed Collection: Title: Pilot Study Evaluating the Cross-Cultural Equivalency of the Tobacco Use Supplement to the Current Population Survey (TUS-CPS). Type of Information Collection Request: New. Need and Use of Information Collection: The primary purpose of this study is to evaluate the cross-cultural equivalency of the TUS-CPS in English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese. Each version of the questionnaire will be administered to 50 native speakers. The Chinese version will be administered to both Mandarin and Cantonese speakers. Each interview will be behavior coded to ensure that respondents are interpreting the items correctly and any translation problems are identified item by item. Twenty percent of respondents will be retrospectively debriefed on the interview to determine how well the items are understood and examine whether any translation issues exist. The findings will provide valuable information concerning the clarity of the survey period to full-scale administration.

Frequency of Response: One-time study. Affected Public: Individuals. Type of Respondents: Adults who are native Chinese (Mandarin and Cantonese), Korean, Vietnamese, and Spanish speakers. The annual reporting burden is as follows: