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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Health Resources and Services Administration

#### National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), notice is hereby given that the following committee will convene its forty-sixth meeting.

*Name:* National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services

*Date and Time:* February 22, 2004; 2 p.m.-5 p.m.; February 23, 2004; 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; February 24, 2004; 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

*Place:* Grand Hyatt Washington, 1000 H Street NW., Washington, DC 20001, Phone: 1-800-233-1234.

*Status:* The meeting will be open to the public.

*Purpose:* The National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary with respect to the delivery, research, development and administration of health and human services in rural areas.

*Agenda:* Sunday afternoon, February 22, 2004 at 2 p.m., the Chairperson, the Honorable David Beasley, will open the meeting and welcome the Committee. The first session will open with a discussion of the Committee business and a review of the 2004 Report to the Secretary by the Honorable David Beasley. This will be followed by an update from the Committee Staff represented by the following: Ms. Jennifer Riggle, Office of Rural Health Policy; Mr. Dennis Dudley, Administration on Aging; and Ms. Rachel Owen, Administration on Children and Families. The final session for the day will be an overview of the Medicare Prescription Drug Bill. The Sunday meeting will close at 5 p.m.

Monday morning, February 23, 2004 at 8:30 a.m. the meeting will begin with the 2005 Report Planning, led by the Honorable David Beasley and Mr. Tom Morris, Acting Deputy Director of the Office of Rural Health Policy. At 9:30 a.m. the Committee will hear a presentation of the Rural Priorities of the Department of Health and Human Services by Dr. Wade Horn, Assistant Secretary for Children and Families and Secretary Tommy

Thompson (invited). The Committee will resume discussion of the 2005 Workplan and break for a joint lunch with the National Rural Health Association Policy Institute (lunch will be provided for the Committee only). After lunch the Committee will hear a panel discussion on rural health and human services emerging issues. The Monday session will end with continued discussion of the 2005 Workplan.

The final session will be convened Tuesday morning, February 24 at 8:30 a.m. The Committee will review the discussion of the 2005 Workplan. The meeting will conclude with a discussion of the June and September meetings. The meeting will be adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

*For Further Information Contact:* Anyone requiring information regarding the Committee should contact Tom Morris, MPA, Executive Secretary, National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Parklawn Building, Room 9A-55, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, telephone (301) 443-0835, Fax (301) 443-2803.

Persons interested in attending any portion of the meeting should contact Michele Pray-Gibson, Office of Rural Health Policy (ORHP), telephone (301) 443-0835. The Committee meeting agenda will be posted on ORHP's Web site <http://www.ruralhealth.hrsa.gov>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institute of Mental Health; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The contract proposals and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel, SBIR Phase I, Topic 46.

*Date:* January 8, 2004.

*Time:* 12 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate contract proposals.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Martha Ann Carey, PhD, RN, Scientific Review Administrator, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Mental Health, NIH, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Blvd., Room 6151, MSC 9608, Bethesda, MD 20892-9608, 301-443-1606, [mcarey@mail.nih.gov](mailto:mcarey@mail.nih.gov).

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel, Autism Spectrum Disorders.

*Date:* February 13, 2004.

*Time:* 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate contract proposals.

*Place:* Holiday Inn Select Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Peter J. Sheridan, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Mental Health, NIH, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Blvd., Room 6142, MSC 9606, Bethesda, MD 20892-9608. 301-443-1513, [psherida@mail.nih.gov](mailto:psherida@mail.nih.gov).

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.242, Mental Health Research Grants; 93.281, Scientist Development Award, Scientist Development Award for Clinicians, and Research Scientist Award; 93.282, Mental Health National Research Service Awards for Research Training, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections