

responsibility and resources for conducting analytic epidemiologic investigations of residents of communities in the vicinity of DOE facilities, workers at DOE facilities, and other persons potentially exposed to radiation or to potential hazards from non-nuclear energy production and use. HHS has delegated program responsibility to CDC. Community involvement is a critical part of ATSDR's and CDC's energy-related research and activities and input from members of the ORRHES is part of these efforts.

Purpose: The purpose of this meeting is to address issues that are unique to community involvement with the ORRHES, and agency updates.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items will include a presentation and discussion of the initial release of the Public Health Assessment on White Oak Creek Radionuclide Release from the DOE Oak Ridge Reservation, a response to recommendations regarding the Needs Assessment Document, updates and recommendations from the Public Health Assessment, Communications and Outreach, Agenda, Guidelines and Procedures, and the Health Education Needs Assessment Workgroups, and agency updates.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lorine Spencer, Executive Secretary, or Marilyn Horton, Committee Management Specialist, Division of Health Assessment and Consultation, ATSDR, 1600 Clifton Road, NE M/S E-32 Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 1-888-42-ATSDR (28737), fax 404/498-1744.

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 ATSDR.

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Alvin Hall,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis

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 Council meeting.

Name: Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis (ACET).

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., February 4, 2004, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m., February 5, 2004.

Place: Corporate Square, Corporate Square Boulevard, Building 8, 1st Floor Conference Room, Atlanta, Georgia 30333. Telephone (404) 639-8008.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 100 people.

Purpose: This Council advises and makes recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Assistant Secretary for Health, and the Director, CDC, regarding the elimination of tuberculosis. Specifically, the Council makes recommendations regarding policies, strategies, objectives, and priorities; addresses the development and application of new technologies; and reviews the extent to which progress has been made toward eliminating tuberculosis.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items include issues pertaining to the Federal TB Task Force Plan; laboratory capacity to support TB elimination; Strategic Plan for TB Training and other TB related topics.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paulette Ford-Knights, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, NE, M/S E-07, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/639-8008.

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 the CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) (formerly known as the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA)), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Request for Review of Part B Medicare Claim and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR Section 405.807; *Form No.:* CMS-1964 (OMB# 0938-0033); *Use:* This form is the preferred manner to enable appellants to request a part B review by a carrier; *Frequency:* Other: as needed; *Affected Public:* Individuals or households, and not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 6,860,000; *Total Annual Responses:* 6,860,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 1,715,000.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access CMS's Web site address at <http://cms.hhs.gov/regulations/pr/default.asp>, or e-mail

your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 60 days of this notice directly to the CMS Paperwork Clearance Officer designated at the following address: CMS, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Division of Regulations Development and Issuances, Attention: Melissa Musotto, Room C5-14-03, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

Dated: January 8, 2004.

John P. Burke, III,

*Paperwork Reduction Act Team Leader,
Office of Strategic Operations and Strategic
Affairs, Division of Regulations Development
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

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S-Y, CMS-10097, CMS-R-204, CMS-9044,
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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently

approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Fire Safety Survey Report Forms and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 488.26 and 442.30; *Form No.:* CMS-2786 M, R, and S-Y (OMB# 0938-0242); *Use:* CMS surveys facilities to determine compliance with the Life Safety Code of 2000. The providers must make documentation proving compliance available to the surveyors; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 27,900; *Total Annual Responses:* 27,900; *Total Annual Hours:* 2325.

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Contractor Provider Satisfaction Survey; *Form No.:* CMS-10097 (OMB# 0938-NEW); *Use:* CMS needs standard data about Medicare provider's satisfaction with their Medicare contractors, who are charged with all Medicare claims processing and related activities on behalf of the Agency. Respondents will be staff representatives of hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, rural health clinics, home health agencies, end-stage renal disease clinics, physicians, non-physicians, durable medical equipment suppliers, laboratories and ambulance providers. The survey will be used as a mechanism for evaluating and improving Medicare providers' satisfaction with their Medicare contractors. The results will provide CMS with a comprehensive review of contractor-provider business relations from the perspective of the "customer" or provider. The information will help the Agency appropriately address provider concerns about Medicare Contractors' performance, aid in business/contracting decisions, and assist or guide contractors in identifying/implementing "best practices" or quality improvement initiatives.; *Frequency:* On occasion; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 6,052; *Total Annual Responses:* 6,052; *Total Annual Hours:* 3,331.

3. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Data Collection for the Second Generation Social Health Maintenance Organization Demonstration; *Form No.:* CMS-R-204 (OMB# 0938-0709); *Use:* The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services will continue to use the data collected under this effort to support the operational needs of the Congressionally-mandated and administratively extended Second Generation of the Social Health

Maintenance Organization Demonstration; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Individuals or households; *Number of Respondents:* 15,000; *Total Annual Responses:* 15,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 3,000.

4. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Provider Reimbursement Manual, Part 1—Chapter 27, Sections 2721, 2722 and 2725, Request for Exception to End Stage Renal Disease Composite Rates and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 413.170 and 413.184; *Form No.:* CMS-9044 (OMB# 0938-0296); *Use:* This information collection describes the information End Stage Renal Disease facilities must submit in justifying an exception request to their composite rate for outpatient dialysis services; *Frequency:* On occasion; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, and Federal government; *Number of Respondents:* 125; *Total Annual Responses:* 125; *Total Annual Hours:* 6,000.

5. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (MCBS): Rounds 38-46; *Form No.:* CMS-P-0015A (OMB# 0938-0568); *Use:* The MCBS is a continuous, multipurpose survey of a nationally representative sample of aged and disabled persons enrolled in Medicare. The survey provides a comprehensive source of information on beneficiary characteristics, needs, utilization, and satisfaction with Medicare-related activities; *Frequency:* Other: 3 times a year; *Affected Public:* Individuals or households, business or other for-profit, and not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 16,500; *Total Annual Responses:* 49,500; *Total Annual Hours:* 50,325.

6. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Conditions of Coverage for Organ Procurement Organizations (OPOs) and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR, Sections 486.304, 486.306, 486.307, 486.310, 486.316, 486.318, and 486.325; *Form No.:* CMS-R-13 (OMB# 0938-0688); *Use:* Organ Procurement Organizations are required to submit accurate data to CMS concerning population and information on donors and organs on an annual basis in order to assure maximum effectiveness in the procurement and distribution of organs; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of*