

standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center Web site at <http://www.ffiec.gov/nic/>.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than May 15, 2006.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia (Michael E. Collins, Senior Vice President) 100 North 6th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19105-1521:

1. *Royal Bancshares of Pennsylvania, Inc.*, Narberth, Pennsylvania; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Royal Asian Bank, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Andre Anderson, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:

1. *Hometown of Homestead, Inc.*, Fort Pierce, Florida; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of First of Homestead, Inc., Homestead, Florida, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of 1st National Bank of South Florida, Homestead, Florida.

2. *Hometown Banking Company, Inc.*, Fort Pierce, Florida, and related parties; to become a bank holding company by acquiring up to 50 percent of the voting shares of Hometown of Homestead, Inc., Ft. Pierce, Florida, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of 1st National Bank of South Florida, Homestead, Florida.

3. *The Prosperity Banking Company*, Saint Augustine, Florida, and related parties; to become a bank holding company by acquiring up to 50 percent of the voting shares of Hometown of Homestead, Inc., Fort Pierce, Florida, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of 1st National Bank of South Florida, Homestead, Florida.

4. *Riverside Gulf Coast Banking Company*, Cape Coral, Florida, and related parties; to become a bank holding company by acquiring up to 50 percent of the voting shares of Hometown of Homestead, Inc., Fort Pierce, Florida, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of 1st National Bank of South Florida, Homestead, Florida.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, April 13, 2006.

Jennifer J. Johnson,
Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability

AGENCY: Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As stipulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is hereby giving notice that a meeting has been scheduled for the Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability (ACBSA).

DATES: The meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on May 10, 2006 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Marriott Crystal Gateway, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerry A. Holmberg, PhD, Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability, Office of Public Health and Science, Department of Health and Human Services, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Room 250, Rockville, MD 20852, (240) 453-8809, FAX (240) 453-8456, e-mail jholmberg@osophs.dhhs.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The ACBSA will meet to review progress and solicit additional input regarding numerous recommendations made during the past year. Additionally, the Committee will discuss the elements for a strategic plan for blood safety and availability in the 21st Century. Vigilance is recognized as a necessary first step toward the goal of reducing the risk of transfusion-transmitted diseases as well as disease transmission through other vital products such as bone marrow, progenitor cells, tissues, and organs. Elements necessary for vigilant surveillance, detection, research, education, and management of emerging or re-emerging infectious and non-infectious events of transfusion will be discussed and drafted into a proposed plan.

The public is invited to present comments to the Committee on Tuesday, May 9, 2006. The comments will be limited to five minutes per speaker. Anyone planning to comment is encouraged to contact the Executive Secretary at his/her earliest convenience. Those who wish to have printed material distributed to advisory committee members should submit the material to the Executive Secretary prior to close of business May 5, 2006. Likewise, those who wish to utilize

electronic data projection to make presentations to the Committee must submit their materials to the Executive Secretary prior to close of business May 5, 2006.

Dated: April 12, 2006.

Jerry A. Holmberg,

Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Assistant Secretary for Planning & Evaluation Medicaid Program; Meeting of the Medicaid Commission—May 17-18, 2006

AGENCY: Assistant Secretary for Planning & Evaluation (ASPE), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting of the Medicaid Commission. Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2)). The Medicaid Commission will advise the Secretary on ways to modernize the Medicaid program so that it can provide high-quality health care to its beneficiaries in a financially sustainable way.

DATES: *The Meeting:* May 17-18, 2006. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. on May 17, and 8:30 a.m. on May 18.

Special Accommodations: Persons attending the meeting who are hearing or visually impaired, or have a condition that requires special assistance or accommodations, are asked to notify the Medicaid Commission by May 5, 2006 (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

ADDRESSES: *The Meeting:* The meeting will be held at the following address: Embassy Suites Hotel—DFW Airport South, 4650 W. Airport Freeway, Irving, Texas 75062, United States, telephone: 1 (972) 790-0093, fax: 1 (972) 790-4768.

Web site: You may access up-to-date information on the Medicaid Commission at <http://aspe.hhs.gov/medicaid/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margaret Reiser, (202) 205-8255.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 24, 2005, we published a notice (70 FR 29765) announcing the Medicaid Commission and requesting nominations for individuals to serve on the Medicaid Commission. This notice announces a public meeting of the Medicaid Commission.