

**Proposed Project**

Assessment of Exposure to Arsenic through Household Water—New—National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH). Arsenic is a naturally occurring element present in food and water as both inorganic and organic complexes. Epidemiologic evidence shows a strong link between ingestion of water containing inorganic arsenic and an increase in a wide variety of cancers (e.g., bladder cancer). Consumption of contaminated food is the major source of arsenic exposure for the majority of United States citizens. There are some areas of the United States where

elevated levels of arsenic in water occur with appreciable frequency. In such areas, ingestion of water can be the dominant source of arsenic exposure. Currently, the preferred method of treatment of private, domestic well water containing elevated levels of arsenic is point-of-use (POU) devices. The acceptability of bottled water and POU treatment systems as effective means of managing arsenic exposure is based on the assumption that other water exposures such as bathing, brushing of teeth, cooking, and occasional water consumption from other taps contribute relatively minor

amounts to a person's total daily intake of arsenic.

We propose to conduct a study to methodically test the validity of the commonly-made assumption that secondary exposures such as bathing will not result in a significant increase in arsenic intake over background dietary levels. Specifically, we are interested in assessing urine arsenic levels among individuals where ingestion of arsenic-containing water is controlled by either POU treatment or use of bottled water, combined with use of short-term diaries to record diet, water consumption, and bathing frequency. Total annual burden is 510.

Respondents	Number of respondents	Responses/ respondent	Average burden response (in hours)
Prescreening postcard completion .....	1,000	1	5/60
Recruiting telephone interview .....	320	1	15/60
Survey interview (in person) .....	520	1	30/60
Biologic specimen collection .....	520	1	10/60

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Children and Families

[Program Announcement No. ACYF-PA-HS-2000-03B]

### Fiscal Year 2000 Discretionary Announcement of the Availability of Funds and Request for Applications for Nationwide Expansion Competition of Early Head Start; Correction

**AGENCY:** Administration for Children, Youth and Families, ACF, DHHS.

**ACTION:** Correction.

**SUMMARY:** This document contains a correction to the Notice that was published in the **Federal Register** on Tuesday, February 29, 2000.

On page 10797, in the State of Colorado, Arapahoe County, in the local community column the following service area should be added: Colfax Avenue (county line) on the North, Mississippi Avenue on the South, Chambers Road on the East and Yosemite Street (county line) on the West. This area is currently being served and is not open for competition to new

Early Head Start programs. The remaining part of Arapahoe County is not currently being served and is open to competition to new Early Head Start programs.

On page 10797, in the State of Colorado, in Denver County, in the local community column for the city of Denver, after the service areas numbered (1)-(4), the following service areas should be added in the city of Denver: "(5) the area bounded by 52nd Avenue on the North, Alameda Boulevard on the South, Broadway Avenue on the East and Sheridan Boulevard on the West." "(6) Beginning at north Broadway and 38th avenue, go east to Yosemite; Yosemite south to 11th Avenue, 11 Avenue west to Quebec; Quebec south to Hampden, Hampden west to Broadway; Broadway north to 35th Avenue." "(7) Beginning at north 54th Avenue and Peoria, go 54th east to Chambers; Chambers south to I-70, I-70 West to Peoria, Peoria north to 54th Avenue." These three areas (5) (6) and (7) are currently being served in the city of Denver in addition to service areas (1) through (4). These seven service areas in the city of Denver are not open to competition to new Early Head Start programs.

On page 10802, of the State of Minnesota, Hennepin County, in the local community column delete "City of North Minneapolis" and replace with "Minneapolis, Brooklyn Park, Golden Valley, and Richfield."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The ACYF Operations Center at 1-800-351-

2293 or send an email to [ehs@lcgnet.com](mailto:ehs@lcgnet.com). You can also contact Judith Jerald, Early Head Start, Head Start Bureau at (202) 205-8074.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 97N-0314]

### Prescription Drug Products; Levothyroxine Sodium; Extension of Compliance Date

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice; extension of compliance date.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that manufacturers who were marketing orally administered drug products containing levothyroxine sodium on or before August 14, 1997, may continue to market these products without approved applications until August 14, 2001. FDA is extending by 1 year the compliance date given in the notice published in the **Federal Register** of August 14, 1997 (62 FR 43535). The agency is taking this action to give manufacturers additional