

G. Evaluation Criteria

Each application will be evaluated individually against the following criteria by an independent review group appointed by ATSDR:

1. Proposed Research—50 percent

The extent to which the applicant's project addresses:

- a. The scientific merit of the hypothesis of the proposed project, including the originality of the approach and the feasibility, adequacy, and rationale of the design (the design of the study should ensure statistical validity for comparison with other research projects)(25 percent);
- b. The technical merit of the methods and procedures (analytic procedures should be state of the art), including the degree to which the project can be expected to yield results that meet the program objective as described in the purpose section of this announcement (15 percent);
- c. The proposed project schedule, including clearly established obtainable project objectives for which progress toward attainment can and will be measured including plans for publishing research results in peer reviewed journals (10 percent); and

2. Program Personnel—45 percent

Because of the importance and potential impact of the outcome of this project on a number of public health programs:

- a. The Principal Investigator must be a recognized expert on organic and inorganic mercury (20 percent); and
- b. The Principal Investigator must have experience, validated by publication, in working with Thimerosal (10 percent); and
- c. Commitment and ability of the Principal Investigator and his/her Associates to devote adequate time and effort to provide effective leadership (15 percent).

3. Institutional Resources and Commitment—5 percent

Description of the adequacy and commitment of the institutional resources to administer the program and the adequacy of the facilities as they impact on performance of the proposed study.

4. Program Budget—(NOT SCORED)

The extent to which the budget is reasonable, clearly justified, and consistent with intended use of grant funds.

5. Human Subjects—(NOT SCORED)

Does the application adequately address the requirements of Title 45

CFR Part 46 for the protection of human subjects?

H. Other Requirements**Technical Reporting Requirements**

Provide CDC with original plus two copies of

1. annual progress reports;
2. financial status report, no more than 90 days after the end of the budget period; and
3. final financial and performance reports, no more than 90 days after the end of the project period.

Send all reports to the Grants Management Specialist identified in the "Where to Obtain Additional Information" section of this announcement.

The following additional requirements are applicable to this program. For a complete description of each, see Attachment I in the application kit.

AR-3 Animal Subjects Requirements
AR-7 Executive Order 12372 Review
AR-10 Smoke-Free Workplace Requirements
AR-11 Healthy People 2010
AR-12 Lobby Restrictions
AR-17 Peer and Technical Reviews of Final Reports of Health Studies—ATSDR
AR-18 Cost Recovery—ATSDR
AR-19 Third Party Agreements—ATSDR
AR-22 Research Integrity

I. Authority and Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number

This program is authorized in Sections 104(i)(5)(A) and (15) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) [42 U.S.C. 9604(i)(5)(A) and (15)]; and section 106, subsection 118(e) of the Great Lakes Critical Programs Act of 1990 [33 U.S.C. 1268(e)]. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 93.161.

J. Where To Obtain Additional Information

This and other ATSDR announcements can be found on the CDC home page Internet address—<http://www.cdc.gov>. Click on "Funding" then "Grants and Cooperative Agreements."

To receive additional written information and to request an application kit, call 1-888-GRANTS4 (1-888-472-6874). You will be asked to leave your name and address and will be instructed to identify the Announcement number of interest.

If you have questions after reviewing the contents of all the documents, business management technical assistance may be obtained from: Ms. Nelda Godfrey, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Room 3000, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146, Telephone number: 770-488-2722, Email address: nag9@cdc.gov.

For program technical assistance, contact(s): Dr. Dennis Jones, Division of Toxicology, ATSDR, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., Mail Stop E-29, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, Telephone number: 404-498-0160, Email address: dej2@cdc.gov or Dr. Moiz Mumtaz, Division of Toxicology, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., Mail Stop E-29, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, Telephone number: 404-498-0727, Email address: mgm4@cdc.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry****Public Meeting of the Inter-tribal Council on Hanford Health Projects (ICHHP) in Association With the Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Health Service (PHS) Activities and Research at Department of Energy (DOE) Sites: Hanford Health Effects Subcommittee**

Name: Public meeting of the Inter-tribal Council on Hanford Health Projects (ICHHP) in association with the Citizens Advisory Committee on PHS Activities and Research at DOE Sites: Hanford Health Effects Subcommittee (HHES).

Time and Date: 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m., July 25, 2001.

Place: Tamastlikt Cultural Institute, 72789 Highway 331, Pendleton, OR. Telephone: (541) 276-2323.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 50 people.

Background: A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), signed in October 1990 and renewed in September 2000, between ATSDR and DOE delineates the responsibilities and procedures for ATSDR's public health

activities at DOE sites required under sections 104, 105, 107, and 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or "Superfund"). These activities include health consultations and public health assessments at DOE sites listed on, or proposed for, the Superfund National Priorities List and at sites that are the subject of petitions from the public; and other health-related activities such as epidemiologic studies, health surveillance, exposure and disease registries, health education, substance-specific applied research, emergency response, and preparation of toxicological profiles.

In addition, under an MOU signed in December 1990 with DOE and replaced by an MOU signed in 2000, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has been given the 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 ICHHP is part of these efforts. The ICHHP will work with the HHES to provide input on American Indian health effects at the Hanford, Washington, site.

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

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items will include a dialogue on issues that are unique to tribal involvement with the HHES. This will include presentations and discussions on each tribal members respective environmental health activities, and agency updates. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Persons for More Information: Dean Seneca, Executive Secretary, or Marilyn Palmer, Committee Management Specialist, Division of Health Assessment and Consultation, ATSDR, 1600 Clifton Road, NE M/S E-54 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 the Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Health Service (PHS) Activities and Research at Department of Energy (DOE) Sites: Hanford Health Effects Subcommittee

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announce the following meeting.

Name: Citizens Advisory Committee on PHS Activities and Research at DOE Sites: Hanford Health Effects Subcommittee (HHES).

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., July 26, 2001.8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m., July 27, 2001.

Place: Tamastlikt Cultural Institute, 72789 Highway 331, Pendleton, OR 97801. Telephone: (541) 276-2323.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 150 people.

Background: Under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed in October 1990 and renewed in September 2000 between ATSDR and DOE. The MOU delineates the responsibilities and procedures for ATSDR's public health activities at DOE sites required under sections 104, 105, 107, and 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or "Superfund"). These activities include health consultations and public health assessments at DOE sites listed on, or proposed for, the Superfund National Priorities List and at sites that are the subject of petitions from the public; and other health-related activities such as epidemiologic studies, health surveillance, exposure and disease registries, health education, substance-specific applied research, emergency response, and preparation of toxicological profiles. In addition, under an MOU signed in December 1990 with

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Purpose: This subcommittee is charged with providing advice and recommendations to the Director, CDC, and the Administrator, ATSDR, regarding community, American Indian Tribes, and labor concerns pertaining to CDC's and ATSDR's public health activities and research at this DOE site. The purpose of this meeting is to receive an update from the Inter-tribal Council on Hanford Health Projects; to review and approve the Minutes of the previous meeting; to receive updates from ATSDR, CDC/NCEH and NIOSH; to receive reports from the Outreach, Public Health Assessment, Public Health Activities, and the Studies Workgroups; and to address other issues and topics, as necessary.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items include a presentation and discussion on Combined Doses, discussion on recommendations from the national evaluation for the health effects subcommittees', Epidemiology 101 workshop, update on the Hanford Community Health Project, and agency updates. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Persons for More Information: French Bell, Executive Secretary HHES, or Marilyn Palmer, Committee Management Specialist, Division of Health Assessment and Consultation, ATSDR, 1600 Clifton Road, NE M/S E-54, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 1-888-42-ATSDR(28737), fax 404/498-1744.

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