

Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting.

Name: Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee.

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.—5 p.m., February 25, 2002. 8:30 a.m.—4 p.m., February 26, 2002.

Place: Radisson Buckhead/Emory Area Inn, 2061 North Druid Hills Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30329

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available.

Purpose: The Committee is charged with providing advice and guidance to the Secretary, the Assistant Secretary for Health, the Director, CDC, and the Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID), regarding (1) the practice of hospital infection control; (2) strategies for surveillance, prevention, and control of infections (e.g., nosocomial infections), antimicrobial resistance, and related events in settings where healthcare is provided; and (3) periodic updating of guidelines and other policy statements regarding prevention of healthcare associated infections and healthcare-related conditions.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items will include a review of the Draft Guideline for Preventing Transmission of Infectious Agents in Healthcare Settings (formerly Guideline Isolation Precautions in Hospitals) and the Draft Guideline for Prevention of Healthcare-associated Pneumonia; public comments on the Draft Guideline for Hand Hygiene in Healthcare Settings; and updates on CDC activities of interest to the committee.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person for More Information: Michele L. Pearson, M.D., Executive Secretary, HICPAC, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, NCID, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE, M/S A-07, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/498-1182.

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Acting 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

Workshop on Strengthening the Supply of Routinely Recommended Vaccines in the United States

The National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC), of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), announces the following meeting.

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 meeting.

Name: Workshop on Strengthening the Supply of Routinely Recommended Vaccines in the United States.

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.—5 p.m., February 11, 2002. 8:30 a.m.—4 p.m., February 12, 2002.

Place: Omni Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert Street, Washington, DC, Phone: 1-888-511-5743.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting rooms will accommodate approximately 200 people.

Purpose: The objectives of the Workshop are to define and describe the scope of the problem with vaccine supply in the United States; to identify and discuss possible contributing causes of and potential strategies to address the vaccine supply problem; and, to develop a limited number of pragmatic strategy options to address the vaccine supply issues in the United States.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items will include presentations and discussion including: an overview of the problems associated with vaccine supply; financial incentives for research, development, and production; review of the regulatory process; government-owned contractor-operated vaccine production facilities; vaccine stockpiles; liability protections; tailoring strategies to specific shortages; and, perspectives of constituencies.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Persons for More Information: Stephen Sepe and Jeanne Santoli, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 770-488-2040 (Sepe) and 404/639-8802 (Santoli). You may also visit the NVPO web site for additional information: www.cdc.gov/od/nvpo/calendar.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health: Meeting

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 committee meeting.

Name: Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH).

Times and Dates: 9 a.m.—5 p.m., February 13, 2002. 8:30 a.m.—3 p.m., February 14, 2002.

Place: Washington Court Hotel on Capitol Hill, 525 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20001, telephone 202/628-2100, fax 202/879-7938.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 65 people.

Background: The Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (the Board) was established under the *Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000* to advise the President on a variety of policy and technical functions required to implement and effectively manage the new compensation program. Key functions of the Board include providing advice on the development of probability of causation guidelines which are being promulgated by Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), advice on methods of dose reconstruction which have been promulgated as an interim final rule, evaluation of the validity and quality of dose reconstructions conducted by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) for qualified cancer claimants, and advice on the addition of classes of workers to the Special Exposure Cohort.

In December 2000, the President delegated responsibility for funding, staffing, and operating the Board to HHS, which subsequently delegated this

authority to CDC. NIOSH implements this responsibility for CDC. The charter was signed on August 3, 2001, and in November 2001, the President completed the appointment of an initial roster of 10 Board members. The initial tasks of the Board will be to review and provide advice on the proposed and interim rules of HHS.

Purpose: This board is charged with (a) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the development of guidelines under Executive Order 13179; (b) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the scientific validity and quality of dose reconstruction efforts performed for this Program; and (c) upon request by the Secretary, HHS, advises the Secretary on whether there is a class of employees at any Department of Energy facility who were exposed to radiation but for whom it is not feasible to estimate their radiation dose, and on whether there is reasonable likelihood that such radiation doses may have endangered the health of members of this class.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda for this meeting will focus on progress reports, recap of Board comments on probability of causation rule, status of rule promulgation, status of rule on dose reconstruction, special exposure cohort petitioning process, and Board discussion.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person for More Information: Larry Elliott, Executive Secretary, ABRWH, NIOSH, CDC, 4676 Columbia Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226, telephone 513/841-4498, fax 513/458-7125.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis: Meeting

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 6, 2002. 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m., February 7, 2002.

Place: Corporate Square Building 8, 1st Floor Conference Room, Atlanta, Georgia 30333.

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 Tuberculosis Laboratory, improving TB efforts in the Southeast, and other TB related topics. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person for More Information: 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Peripheral and Central Nervous System Drugs Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The meeting will be open to the public.

Name of Committee: Peripheral and Central Nervous System Drugs Advisory Committee.

General Function of the Committee: To provide advice and recommendations to the agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

Date and Time: The meeting will be held on February 15, 2002, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Holiday Inn, The Ballroom, Two Montgomery Village Ave., Gaithersburg, MD.

Contact: Sandra Titus, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (HFD-21), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane (for express delivery, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1093) Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-7001, or e-mail Tituss@cder.fda.gov, or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1-800-741-8138 (301-443-0572 in the Washington, DC area) code 12543. Please call the Information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting.

Agenda: The committee will consider the safety and efficacy of biologics license application (BLA) 103780/0 REBIF (Interferon beta-1A, Serono), proposed for the treatment of relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis. The background material will become available the day before the meeting and it will be posted under the Peripheral and Central Nervous System Drugs Advisory Committee Docket site at: <http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets/ac/acmenu.htm>. (Click on the year 2002 and scroll down to the Peripheral and Central Nervous System Drugs meetings.)

Procedure: Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by February 1, 2002. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled from approximately 11 a.m. to 12 noon. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. Those