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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 the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: February 2, 2004.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Safety and Occupational Health Study Section

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:* Safety and Occupational Health Study Section (SOHSS), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH).

*Times and Dates:* 8 a.m.-5 p.m., February 19, 2004; 8 a.m.-5 p.m., February 20, 2004.

*Place:* Embassy Suites Hotel, 1900 Diagonal Road, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314, telephone (703) 684-5900, fax (703) 684-1403.

*Status:* Open 8 a.m.-8:30 a.m., February 19, 2004; Closed 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., February 19, 2004; Closed 8 a.m.-5 p.m., February 20, 2004.

*Purpose:* The Safety and Occupational Health Study Section will review, discuss, and evaluate grant application(s) received in response to the Institute's standard grants review and funding cycles pertaining to research issues in occupational safety and health, and allied areas. It is the intent of NIOSH to support broad-based research endeavors in keeping with the Institute's program goals.

This will lead to improved understanding and appreciation for the magnitude of the aggregate health burden associated with occupational injuries and illnesses, as well as to support more focused research projects, which will lead to improvements in the delivery of occupational safety and health services, and the prevention of work-related injury and illness. It is anticipated that research funded will promote these program goals.

*Matters To Be Discussed:* The meeting will convene in open session from 8-8:30 a.m. on February 19, 2004, to address matters related

to the conduct of Study Section business. The remainder of the meeting will proceed in closed session. The purpose of the closed sessions is for the study section to consider safety and occupational health-related grant applications. These portions of the meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 552b(c)(4) and (6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, pursuant to Section 10(d) Pub. L. 92-463.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Price Connor, Ph.D., NIOSH Health Scientist, 1600 Clifton Road, NE, Mailstop E-20, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone (404) 498-2511, fax (404) 498-2569.

Due to programmatic issues that had to be resolved, the **Federal Register** notice is being published less than fifteen days before the date of the meeting.

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**Alvin Hall,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

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#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, HHS.

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:* ESRD Beneficiary Selection and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 414.330; *Form No.:* CMS-382 (OMB# 0938-0372); *Use:* ESRD facilities have each new home dialysis patient select one of two methods to handle Medicare reimbursement. The intermediaries pay for the beneficiaries selecting Method I and the carriers pay for the beneficiaries selecting Method II. This system was developed to avoid duplicate billing by both intermediaries and carriers; *Frequency:* Other: One-time Only; *Affected Public:* Individuals or Households, Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 7,400; *Total Annual Responses:* 7,400; *Total Annual Hours:* 617.

**2. Type of Information Collection**  
*Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* A project to Develop an Outcome-Based Continuous Quality Improvement System and Core Outcome and Comprehensive Assessment Data Set for PACE; *Form No.:* CMS-R-299(OMB# 0938-0791); *Use:* The purpose of this project is to develop an outcome-based continuous quality improvement (OBCQI) system and core comprehensive assessment data set for the PACE program by (a) developing and testing a set of data items for core outcome and comprehensive assessment (COCOA), (b) testing risk-adjustment methods so each site's outcomes can be appropriately evaluated, (c) designing an OBCQI approach to improve quality in a systematic, evolutionary manner, and (d) testing the usefulness of the data items for assessment and care planning. A three-phase field test will result in the refinement of the draft COCOA data items and protocols needed. Findings from the project are intended to guide the possible implementation of a national approach for OBCQI and core comprehensive assessment for PACE.; *Frequency:* On occasion and Semi-annually; *Affected Public:* Individuals or Households and Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 8,320; *Total Annual Responses:* 116,038; *Total Annual Hours:* 16,960.