

case, we are providing CHAP with a probationary period of 180 days. Within 60 days after the end of CHAP's probationary period, we will make a final determination as to whether or not CHAP's hospice accreditation requirements are comparable to CMS requirements and issue an appropriate notice that includes reasons for our determination, no later than July 18, 2010. If CHAP has not made improvements acceptable to CMS during the 180-day probationary period, we may remove recognition of deemed authority for its hospice program effective 30 days after the date we provide written notice to CHAP that its hospice deeming authority will be removed. In addition, due to the significant number of areas of noncompliance, we will conduct a follow-up corporate onsite visit to validate compliance with the provisions of this final notice.

B. Term of Approval

Based on the review and observations described in section III of this final notice, we have determined that CHAP's accreditation program for hospices requires further revision and subsequent review. We believe that with additional time, CHAP will be able to make the necessary revisions to ensure that CHAP's accreditation program for hospices meets or exceeds the Medicare requirements as stated in Part 418. Therefore, we conditionally approve CHAP as a national accreditation organization for hospices that request participation in the Medicare program, effective November 20, 2009 through November 20, 2012, with a 180-day probationary period beginning November 20, 2009 through May 19, 2010. As stated above, we will publish a final determination giving final approval or revoking such approval no later than July 18, 2010.

IV. Collection of Information Requirements

This document does not impose information collection and recordkeeping requirements. Consequently, it need not be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 35).

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.778, Medical Assistance Program; No. 93.773 Medicare—Hospital Insurance Program; and No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: September 24, 2009.

Charlene Frizzera,

Acting Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS–1505–N]

Medicare Program; Criteria for Medicare Coverage of Inpatient Hospital Rehabilitation Services

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Rescission of Ruling.

SUMMARY: This notice rescinds HCFA Ruling 85–2, “Medicare Criteria for Coverage of Inpatient Hospital Rehabilitation Services,” 50 FR 31040 (July 31, 1985), as corrected at 50 FR 32643 (Aug. 13, 1985) which established the criteria for Medicare coverage of inpatient hospital rehabilitation services.

DATES: *Effective Date:* This notice is effective on January 1, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie Stankivic, (410) 786–5725.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The criteria for Medicare coverage of inpatient hospital rehabilitation services set forth in HCFA Ruling 85–2 (HCFAR–85–2) were developed more than 25 years ago, and were designed to provide coverage criteria for a small subset of providers furnishing intensive and complex therapy services in a fee-for-service environment to a small segment of patients whose rehabilitation needs could only be safely furnished at a hospital level of care. In the final rule implementing the Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System for Federal FY 2010, published August 7, 2009 in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 39762), we adopted inpatient rehabilitation facility (IRF) coverage requirements and technical revisions to certain other IRF requirements to reflect the changes that have occurred in medical practice during the past 25 years. The new IRF coverage requirements adopted in the final rule are effective for IRF discharges occurring on or after January 1, 2010. As discussed in the final rule (74 FR 39762, at 39797), we anticipate that these new coverage requirements will be further

interpreted by new manual provisions in Chapter 1, Section 110 of the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual that will also go into effect on January 1, 2010. Thus, HCFAR 85–2 (and the current manual provisions, rev. 1, effective October 1, 2003) will continue to apply for all IRF discharges that occur prior to January 1, 2010.

II. Provisions of the Notice

Effective January 1, 2010, this notice rescinds HCFAR 85–2 published in the **Federal Register** on July 31, 1985 (50 FR 31040).

III. Collection of Information Requirements

This document does not impose information collection and recordkeeping requirements. Consequently, it need not be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

Authority: Sections 1812, 1814, 1861 and 1862 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395d, 1395f, and 1395x, and 1395y). (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773 Medicare—Hospital Insurance Program; and No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: September 24, 2009.

Charlene Frizzera,

Acting Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Docket Number NIOSH–187]

Proposed Enhancements to Occupational Health Surveillance Data Collection Through the Healthcare Personnel Safety (HPS) Component of the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN); Correction

A notice of public meeting and availability for public comment was published in the **Federal Register**, September 21, 2009, (74 FR 48081). This notice is corrected as follows:

On page 48081, third column: The heading “Place” the name of the hotel has been changed to the Doubletree Hotel.

Dated: October 14, 2009.

Tanja Popovic,

Chief Science Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Cancer Institute; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The contract proposals and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; Anticancer Agents.

Date: November 9, 2009.

Time: 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6116 Executive Boulevard, Suite 703, Room 7142, Rockville, MD 20852. (Telephone Conference Call)

Contact Person: Thomas M. Vollberg, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Special Review and Logistics Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, 6116 Executive Boulevard, Room 7142, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-594-9582, vollbert@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) Program.

Date: December 15-17, 2009.

Time: 7 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: Legacy Hotel and Meeting Center, 1775 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Kirt Vener, PhD, Branch Chief, Special Review and Logistics Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 6116 Executive Blvd., Room 8061, Bethesda, MD 20892-8329, 301-496-7174, venerk@mail.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.392, Cancer Construction; 93.393, Cancer Cause and Prevention Research; 93.394, Cancer Detection and Diagnosis Research; 93.395, Cancer Treatment Research; 93.396, Cancer Biology

Research; 93.397, Cancer Centers Support; 93.398, Cancer Research Manpower; 93.399, Cancer Control, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: October 15, 2009.

Jennifer Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Interventions for Substance Abuse.

Date: October 28, 2009.

Time: 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892. (Telephone Conference Call)

Contact Person: Michael Micklin, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3136, MSC 7759, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1258, micklinm@csr.nih.gov.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, Comparative Medicine; 93.333, Clinical Research, 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393-93.396, 93.837-93.844, 93.846-93.878, 93.892, 93.893, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: October 19, 2009.

Jennifer Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute Environmental Health Sciences; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Special Emphasis Panel; Mentored Career Development Award Review Meeting.

Date: November 10, 2009.

Time: 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Sheraton Chapel Hill Hotel, One Europa Drive, Chapel Hill, NC 27514. (Telephone Conference Call)

Contact Person: Linda K. Bass, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Research and Training, Nat. Institute Environmental Health Sciences, P. O. Box 12233, MD EC-30, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (919) 541-1307, bass@niehs.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Special Emphasis Panel; Metabolomic/Genomic Approaches To Liver Damage.

Date: November 16, 2009.

Time: 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIEHS—Keystone Bldg, 530 Davis Drive, Morrisville, NC 27560. (Telephone Conference Call)

Contact Person: Leroy Worth, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Research and Training, Nat. Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, P. O. Box 12233, MD EC-30/Room 3171, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (919) 541-0670, worth@niehs.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.115, Biometry and Risk Estimation—Health Risks from Environmental Exposures; 93.142, NIEHS Hazardous Waste Worker Health and Safety Training; 93.143, NIEHS Superfund Hazardous Substances—Basic Research and Education; 93.894, Resources and Manpower Development in the Environmental Health Sciences; 93.113, Biological Response to Environmental Health Hazards; 93.114, Applied Toxicological Research and Testing, National Institutes of Health, HHS)