

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Health Resources and Services Administration****Advisory Council; Notice of Meeting**

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following National Advisory body scheduled to meet during the month of October 2001:

Name: National Advisory Council on Migrant Health.

Date & Time: October 25, 2001; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; October 26, 2001; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; October 27, 2001; 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Place: Renaissance Asheville Hotel, 1 Thomas Wolfe Plaza, Asheville, North Carolina 28801, Phone: (828) 252-8211; Fax (828) 236-9691.

The meeting is open to the public.

Agenda: This will be a meeting of the Council. The agenda includes an overview of general Council business activities and priorities. Topics of discussion will include development of expert background papers to support the Council's recommendations and the development of future recommendations. The Council will hear presentations from experts on farmworker issues in North Carolina, research on pesticide exposure in adults, and the North Carolina Area Health Education Center (AHEC) program. In addition, the Council will be holding a public hearing at which migrant farmworkers will have the opportunity to testify before the Council regarding matters that affect their health. The hearing is scheduled for Saturday, October 27 from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Renaissance Asheville Hotel.

The Council meeting is being held in conjunction with the annual East Coast Migrant Stream Forum sponsored by the North Carolina Primary Health Care Association, which is being held in Asheville during the same period of time.

Anyone requiring information regarding the subject Council should contact Judy Rodgers, Migrant Health Program, staff support to the National Advisory Council on Migrant Health, Bureau of Primary Health Care, Health Resources and Services Administration, 4350 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20814, Telephone 301/594-4304.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities indicate.

Dated: October 9, 2001.

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Director, Division of Policy Review and Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Health Resources and Services Administration****Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority**

This notice amends Part R of the Statement of Organization Functions and Delegations of Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) (60 FR 56605, as amended November 6, 1995 as last amended at 66 FR 41249-51, dated August 7, 2001).

This notice sets forth several major organizational changes in the Bureau of Health Professions (BHPr). Certain other organizational changes in various organizations within Health Resources and Services Administration are reflected in the notice.

In addition to the changes in BHPr this notice will move communications functions throughout the agency into the Office of Communications, Office of the Administrator. Legislative functions throughout the agency will be consolidated into the Office of Legislation, Office of the Administrator. The Center for Quality and the Office for the Advancement of Telehealth will be moved from the Office of the Administrator and placed in the HIV/AIDS Bureau, and the Center for Health Services Financing and Managed Care will be placed in the Office of Planning and Evaluation. In addition, the Office of International Health Affairs will be moved from the Office of the Administrator and placed within the Office of Management and Program Support.

Section RA-00, Mission

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) directs national health programs which improve the health of the Nation by assuring quality health care to underserved, vulnerable and special-need populations and by promoting appropriate health professions workforce capacity and practice, particularly in primary care and public health.

Section RA-10 Organization

The Office of the Administrator is headed by the Administrator, Health Resources and Services Administration (OA) who reports directly to the Secretary. The OA includes the following components:

- (1) Immediate Office of the Administrator (RA);
- (2) Office of Equal Opportunity and Civil Rights (RA2);

- (3) Office of Planning and Evaluation (RA5);
 - (4) Office of Communications (RA6);
 - (5) Office of Minority Health (RA9);
- and
- (6) Office of Legislation (RAE)

Section RA-20 Function

1. *Revise the functional statement for the Immediate Office of the Administrator. Immediate Office of the Administrator (RA)*

(1) Leads and directs programs and activities of the Agency and advises the Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services on policy matters concerning them; (2) provides consultation and assistance to senior Agency officials and others on clinical and health professional issues; (3) serves as the Agency's focal point on efforts to strengthen the practice of public health as it pertains to the HRSA mission; (4) establishes and maintains verbal and written communications with health organizations in the public and private sectors to support the mission of HRSA; and (5) manages the legislative and communications programs for the agency.

2. *In the Office of the Administrator, establish the Office of Legislation (RAE) as follows:*

Office of Legislation (RAD)

(1) Serves as the Administrator's primary staff unit and principal source of advice on legislative affairs; (2) oversees communications between the Administrator and higher levels of the Department on legislative matters; (3) oversees the legislative program for the Administrator; (4) develops a legislative program for the Agency and develops legislative proposals; (5) prepares the Administrator's analyses, position papers, and reports on proposed legislation; (6) coordinates the preparation of testimony and backup materials on the Administration's legislative program for presentation to Congressional Committees; (7) monitors hearings and Congressional activities affecting the Administration; (8) in conjunction with the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Legislation (L), coordinates the preparation of information requested by, and provides technical assistance to, Congressional Committees, Members of Congress, or their staff in relation to the Agency's legislative programs; and (9) coordinates the distribution of legislative materials and serves as a legislative reference center.

3. *Rename the Office of Planning, Evaluation and Legislation (RA5) as the Office of Planning and Evaluation (RA5)*