

identify any specific positions for which it may believe that a permanent waiver would be appropriate in the future. The Securities and Exchange Commission cited as precedent the decision of OGE in 1996 to grant a temporary waiver under 18 U.S.C. 207(c)(2)(C) covering all SES level 4 employees in the executive branch who were unexpectedly placed in "senior employee" status, without any change in the duties of their positions, under the version of section 207(c)(2)(A)(ii) as then worded, as a result of a pay raise under Executive Order 12984. *See* DO-96-001 (January 4, 1996) (original six month waiver); 61 FR 14326-14328 (April 1, 1996) (notice of forthcoming termination of original six month waiver); DO-96-030 (June 6, 1996) (three month extension of waiver); 61 FR 28908-28910 (June 6, 1996) (notice of extension and revocation of waiver after period of extension); all of which are available on OGE's Web site at <http://www.usoge.gov>.

The Office of Government Ethics agreed that the information provided by the SEC satisfied the two-part test for granting waivers under section 207(c)(2)(C). In order to grant a waiver, the Director of OGE must determine both that the imposition of the restrictions of section 207(c) "would create an undue hardship on the department or agency in obtaining qualified personnel to fill such position or positions" and that "granting the waiver would not create the potential for use of undue influence or unfair advantage." 18 U.S.C. 207(c)(2)(C)(i) and (ii). The Office of Government Ethics found the hardship requirement to be satisfied because the information provided by the SEC indicated that the very purpose of the new Congressionally authorized pay plan was to reverse that agency's historical difficulties in recruiting and retaining qualified experts in fields related to the mission of the agency. As OGE provides in its implementing regulations, hardship may be shown by the "payment of a special rate of pay to the incumbent of the position pursuant to specific statutory authority." 5 CFR 2641.201(d)(5)(ii)(A). The Office of Government Ethics also found that the granting of a waiver would not create the potential for undue influence or unfair advantage: the new increase in pay is not accompanied by "any accretion of duties or responsibilities," DO-96-001, and there is no reason to expect that the incumbents at the present time would have any more potential for influence or advantage than they had immediately prior to the pay increase.

Pursuant to 5 CFR 2641.201(d)(4), the effective date of the waiver is the "date of the Director's written response to the designated agency ethics official indicating that the request for exemption has been granted." 5 CFR 2641.201(d)(4). That written response is being issued today. The regulations also specifically state that any waiver "shall not benefit individuals who terminated senior service prior to the effective date of the exemption." *Id.* Consequently, the benefit of the waiver does not extend to any individuals who terminated senior service prior to the date of waiver.

Finally, although the SEC requested that the waiver be effective only until November 19, 2002, OGE is granting a waiver that will extend until November 29, 2002. Under 5 CFR 2641.201(d)(4), the revocation of a waiver cannot be effective until 90 days after the publication in the **Federal Register** of a notice of revocation.

Therefore, pursuant to 5 CFR 2641.201(d)(4), OGE hereby gives notice that the above-referenced post-employment waiver, granted on August 30, 2002, will expire and is revoked effective on November 29, 2002.

Approved: August 26, 2002.

Amy L. Comstock,

Director, Office of Government Ethics.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Meeting of the President's Council on Bioethics on September 12-13, 2002

AGENCY: The President's Council on Bioethics, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The President's Council on Bioethics will hold its sixth meeting, at which it will discuss, among other things, stem cells, cloning, the patentability of human organisms, commerce in the human body and its parts, genetic enhancement of human beings, and/or international models of regulation of the new biotechnologies (Europe).

DATES: The meeting will take place Thursday, September 12, 2002, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. ET; and Friday, September 13, 2002, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. ET.

ADDRESSES: Hotel Monaco, 700 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20004

PUBLIC COMMENTS: The meeting agenda will be posted at <http://www.bioethics.gov>. Members of the

public may submit written statements for the Council's records. Please submit statements to Ms. Diane Gianelli, Director of Communications (tel. 202/296-4669 or e-mail info@bioethics.gov). The public may also express comments during the hour set aside for this purpose, beginning at 4:30 p.m. ET, on Thursday, September 12, 2002. Comments will be limited to no more than five minutes per speaker or organization. Please give advance notice of such statements to Ms. Gianelli at the phone number given above, and be sure to include name, affiliation, and a brief description of the topic or nature of the statement.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Diane Gianelli, 202/296-4669, or visit <http://www.bioethics.gov>.

Dated: August 26, 2002.

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Executive Director, The President's Council on Bioethics.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Program Announcement 02129]

Public Health Disease Surveillance Initiative; Notice of Award of Funds

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the award of fiscal year (FY) 2002 funds for a grant program for the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services for Public Health Disease Surveillance Initiative.

The purpose of this program is to build an integrated data management system that will allow the sharing of core data elements needed by the State of Delaware to effectively fulfill its responsibilities for the surveillance and reporting of communicable diseases. This program addresses the "Healthy People 2010" focus area of Immunization and Infectious Diseases.

B. Eligible Applicant

Assistance is provided only to the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services. No other applications were solicited. Eligibility was limited to the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services because fiscal year 2002 federal appropriations specially directs the CDC to award funds to continue the development of the Delaware Electronic Reporting System (DEERS) to track diseases.

C. Funds

Approximately \$791,190 is being awarded in FY 2002. The award will begin on or about August 20, 2002 and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of one year.

D. Where To Obtain Additional Information

For business management technical assistance, contact: Van A. King, Grants Management Specialist, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2920 Brandywine Road, Room 3000, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146. Telephone number 770-488-2751. e-mail address VKing@cdc.gov.

For program technical assistance, contact: Michael R. Donnelly, Deputy, Integrated Health Information Systems, Office of the Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Mail Stop D-68, Atlanta, GA 30333. Telephone number 404-639-7820. e-mail address MRDonnelly@cdc.gov.

Dated: August 22, 2002.

Sandra R. Manning,

CGFM, Director, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention****[Program Announcement USP01]****Measuring the Impact of Health Messages in United States Soap Operas on Foreign Audiences; Notice of Award of Funds****A. Purpose**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the award of fiscal year (FY) 2002 funds for a grant program for Measuring the Impact of Health Messages in U.S. Soap Operas on Foreign Audiences.

The purpose of this program is to measure the impact of health-related content in U.S. produced television soap operas on foreign audiences and assess how international viewers elicit the meaning of these health messages and how culturally transferable the health content embedded in American soaps might be. This program addresses the "Healthy People 2010" focus area of Educational and Community-Based Programs.

B. Eligible Applicants

Assistance is being provided only to Population Communications International (PCI), Studio City, California, based on submission of an unsolicited application. Despite the global reach and viewership of U.S. produced television soap operas, little research has been conducted that investigates international audiences' perceptions of American television soap operas and in particular, the impact health messages contained in American soap operas has on international viewers. As a leading proponent and practitioner of entertainment-education methodology, PCI works with the U.S. television industry to encourage Hollywood television producers to incorporate health and population messages in their programs. PCI also works with partners in developing countries to produce carefully researched and culturally sensitive soap operas and to train selected leaders from developing countries in using television for social change.

C. Availability of Funds

Approximately \$187,125 is available in FY 2002. The award will begin on or about August 19, 2002 and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of two years.

D. Where To Obtain Additional Information

Business management technical assistance may be obtained from: Cynthia R. Collins, Lead Grants Management Specialist, International and Territories Acquisition and Assistance Branch, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 2920 Brandywine Road, Rm. 3000, MS/E-09, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146. Telephone: (770) 488-2757. Fax: (770) 488-2688. E-mail: coc9@cdc.gov.

For program technical assistance, contact: Christine Galavotti, Behavioral Research Team Leader, Women's Health and Fertility Branch, Division of Reproductive Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 4770 Buford Highway, NE., Atlanta, GA 30341-3724. Phone: (770) 488-6401. E-mail: CGalavotti@cdc.gov.

Dated: August 24, 2002.

Sandra R. Manning,

CGFM, Director, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention****Advisory Committee on Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention: Meeting**

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following committee meeting.

Name: Advisory Committee on Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention.

Times and Dates: 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m., October 15, 2002; 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m., October 16, 2002.

Place: Hyatt Fisherman's Wharf Hotel, 555 North Point Street, San Francisco, CA 94133, telephone 415/563-1234.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 35 people.

Purpose: The Committee shall provide advice and guidance to the Secretary; the Assistant Secretary for Health; and the Director, CDC, regarding new scientific knowledge and technological developments and their practical implications for childhood lead poisoning prevention efforts. The Committee shall also review and report regularly on childhood lead poisoning prevention practices and recommend improvements in national childhood lead poisoning prevention efforts.

Matters to Be Discussed: Agenda items include: Updates on Primary Prevention issues, Medicaid Targeted Screening issues, Case Management issues, MMWR Publication Process, Presentations on Milwaukee's Community-Based Environmental Intervention Strategies, National Survey of Lead and Allergens in Housing, and Discussion of Charge for Workgroup Reviewing Evidence of Adverse Effects of Lead. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Opportunities will be provided during the meeting for oral comments. Depending on the time available and the number of requests, it may be necessary to limit the time of each presenter.

Contact Person for More Information: Crystal M. Gresham, Program Analyst, Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch, Division of Environmental Hazards and Health Effects, NCEH, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., M/S E-25, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/498-1431, fax 404/498-1444.

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 CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.