governments, preempts State law, or otherwise has Federalism implications. This notice will not have a substantial effect on State or local governments.

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12866, this notice was reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

Authority: Sections 1818(d)(2) and 1818A(d)(2) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395i–2(d)(2) and 1395i–2a(d)(2)).

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Dated: September 4, 2002.

Thomas A. Scully,

Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

Dated: September 23, 2002.

Tommy G. Thompson,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Women's Health Initiative Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee for Reproductive Health Drugs; 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: Women's Health Initiative Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee for Reproductive Health Drugs.

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 November 12, 2002, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on November 13, 2002, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Holiday Inn, Versailles Ballroom, 8120 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD.

Contact Person: Jayne E. Peterson, 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, e-mail: PETERSONJ@CDER.FDA.GOV, or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1–800–741–8138 (301–443–0572 in the Washington, DC area), code 12537. Please call the Information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting. Current information may also be accessed on the Internet at the FDA Docket Web site at http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets/ac/acmenu.htm.

Agenda: On both days, presentations and subcommittee discussions will address the following issues related to the study results from the estrogen plus progestin component of the Women's Health Initiative (WHI): (1) Assessment of the known benefits for the approved indications and risk management considerations, (2) the extent to which these new data might be extrapolated to other combination estrogen/progestin products and doses, and (3) the WHI's implications for future clinical trials of hormonal therapy.

Procedure: Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the subcommittee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by November 1, 2002. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled between approximately 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. on November 12, 2002, and between approximately 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. on November 13, 2002. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person before November 1, 2002, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time requested to make their presentation.

Persons attending FDA's advisory committee meetings are advised that the agency is not responsible for providing access to electrical outlets.

FDA welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Jayne Peterson (see *Contact Person*) at least 7 days in advance of the meeting.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2).

Dated: October 11, 2002.

Linda Arey Skladany,

Senior Associate Commissioner for External Relations.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Comment Request

In compliance with the requirement for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects (section 3506(c)(2)(A) of Title 44, U.S.C, as amended by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104–13), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) publishes periodic summaries of proposed projects being developed for submission to the Office of Management and Budget under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and draft instruments, call the HRSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443–1129.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Proposed Project: National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Travel Request Worksheet, Non-Federal Personnel—In Use Without Approval

The National Health Service Corps (NHSC) of the HRSA's Bureau of Health Professions (BHPr), is committed to improving the health of the Nation's underserved by uniting communities in need with caring health professionals and by supporting communities' efforts to build better systems of care.

The Travel Request Worksheet is used by Scholarship Program recipients to receive travel support to perform pre-employment interviews at sites on the Approved Practice List at the Federal Government's expense. The travel approval process is initiated when the scholar notifies the NHSC's In-Service Support Branch or the respective Bureau of Prisons, Indian Health Service, and Immigration and Naturalization Service recruitment office of an impending interview at one or more NHSC approved practice sites.