

holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than November 3, 2006.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Anne McEwen, Financial Specialist) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. *Fort Orange Financial Corporation*, Albany New York; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Capital Bank & Trust Company, Albany, New York.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Tracy Basinger, Director, Regional and Community Bank Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. *Castle Creek Capital Partners III, L.P.*, *Castle Creek Capital III LLC*, *Eggemeyer Capital LLC*, *Ruh Capital LLC*, *Western States Opportunity LLC*, *Eggemeyer Family Trust*, *William J. Ruh Trust*, *Legions IV Advisory Corp.*, all located in Rancho Santa Fe, California, and LDF, Inc., Chicago, Illinois; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of BB&T Bancshares, Corp., and thereby indirectly acquire Bloomingdale Bank and Trust, both of Bloomingdale, Illinois.

2. *West Valley Bancorp, Inc.*, Avondale, Arizona; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of West Valley National Bank (in organization), both of Avondale, Arizona.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 5, 2006.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225) to engage *de novo*, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity

that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than October 25, 2006.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Patrick M. Wilder, Assistant Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Great River Financial Group, Inc.*, Burlington, Iowa; to operate a federal Savings Bank upon the conversion of its subsidiary Burlington Bank and Trust, Burlington, Iowa, to a Federal Savings Bank, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 4, 2006.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Notice of Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Minority Health

AGENCY: Office of Minority Health, Office of Public Health and Science, Office of the Secretary, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As stipulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is hereby giving notice that the Advisory Committee on Minority Health (ACMH) will hold a meeting. This meeting is open to the public. Preregistration is required for both public attendance and comment. Any individual who wishes to attend the meeting and/or participate in the public comment session should e-mail acmh@osophs.dhhs.gov.

DATES: The meeting will be held on October 31, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. The meeting is accessible from the Silver Spring Metro Station. The Crowne Plaza Hotel will provide shuttle service to and from the Silver Spring Metro Station for individuals attending the ACMH meeting on October 31, 2006. Meeting participants can call the hotel at (301) 589-0800 for shuttle pick-up if they don't see the shuttle. Meeting participants may also walk the three short blocks to the hotel from the Silver Spring station by existing onto Wayne Avenue and walking toward the Discovery Building. Make a left onto Georgia Avenue and walk the 1 block toward the Crowne Plaza. The hotel will be on the right-hand side.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Monica A. Baltimore, Tower Building, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 600, Rockville, Maryland 20852. Phone: 240-453-2882 Fax: 240-453-2883.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with Public Law 105-392, the ACMH was established to provide advice to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health in improving the health of each racial and ethnic minority group and on the development of goals and specific program activities of the Office of Minority Health.

Topics to be discussed during this meeting will include strategies to improve the health of racial and ethnic minority populations through the development of health policies and programs that will help eliminate health disparities, as well as other related issues.

Public attendance at the meeting is limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the designated contact person at least fourteen business days prior to the meeting. Members of the public will have an opportunity to provide comments at the meeting. Public comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker. Individuals who would like to submit written statements should mail or fax their comments to the Office of Minority Health at least five business days prior to the meeting. Any member of the public who wishes to have printed material distributed to ACMH committee members should submit their materials to Garth Graham, M.D., M.P.H., Executive Secretary, ACMH, Tower Building, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 600, Rockville, Maryland 20852, prior to close of business on October 18, 2006.

October 3, 2006.

Mirtha R. Beadle,

Deputy Director, Office of Minority Health, Office of Public Health and Science, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) allow the proposed information collection project: “Assessment of Unreimbursed Care among Community Primary Care Physicians.” In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), AHRQ invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by November 13, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to: Doris Lefkowitz, Reports Clearance Officer, AHRQ, 540 Gaither Road, Room #5036, Rockville, MD 20850. Copies of the proposed collection plans, data collection instruments, and specific details on the estimated burden can be obtained from AHRQ’s Reports Clearance Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris Lefkowitz, AHRQ, Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 427–1477.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Proposed Project

“Assessment of Unreimbursed Care among Community Primary Care Physicians”

This project is being conducted as part of AHRQ’s Primary Care Practice-Based Research Networks (PBRN). One of AHRQ’s PBRN contractors, the American Academy of Family Physician’s National Research Network (AAFP–NRN), will survey primary care practices participating in its PBRN in order to assess the current state of unreimbursed medical care provided in community based primary care practices.

There has been substantial research conducted to quantify the amount of unreimbursed care provided in private physicians’ offices. This survey will collect information from a sample of community-based primary care practices that are widely representative of private physicians across the United States in order to understand the current

state of private primary care office unreimbursed care and help assess factors that encourage and discourage practices from engaging in this activity.

The AAFP–NRN will collaborate with AHRQ on the design of a self-administered, web-based questionnaire. The survey will collect information pertaining to the level of un-reimbursed care in the practice as well as characteristics of the practice, the physician(s) and the patient population.

Methods of Collection

The survey will be distributed to 1200 primary care physicians with an expected response rate of 65% (780 responses). A stratified sampling approach will be used to ensure appropriate representation from the four Census regions, urban and rural areas, and small and large practices. Selected physicians will receive a letter informing them of the purpose of the study, inviting them to participate and offering them the opportunity to complete the survey on paper or via the Internet. A follow-up mailing with a duplicate paper-based version of the questionnaire will be mailed to non-responders after two weeks. Reminder phone calls will be placed in weeks four and six to all non-responders. If necessary to achieve target response rates, a re-mailing of the paper-based questionnaire will occur in week eight. The questionnaire is estimated to take no more than fifteen minutes to complete.

ESTIMATED ANNUAL RESPONDENT BURDEN

Data collection effort	Number of respondents	Estimated time per respondent in hours	Estimated total burden hours
Primary care clinicians	780	.25	195

Estimated Costs to the Federal Government

The total cost to the government for this activity is estimated to be \$129,956.

Request for Comments

In accordance with the above-cited legislation, comments on AHRQ’s information collection are requested with regard to any of the following: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of health care research and information dissemination functions of AHRQ, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of AHRQ’s estimate of burden (including hours and costs) of the proposed collection(s) 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 upon the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

To date, one comment has been received. The commenter noted that s/he believed no physicians provide free care. The purpose of this survey is to assess the current state of private primary care office un-reimbursed care and help assess factors that encourage and discourage practices from engaging in this activity.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and

included in the request for OMB approval of the proposed information collection. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 26, 2006.

Carolyn M. Clancy,
Director.

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