

- Detailed information about the size and composition of accreditation teams for each category of advanced medical imaging service supplier accredited.
- The number of professional and technical staff that are available for survey.
- The education, current employment and experience requirements surveyors must meet.
- The content and length of any orientation program.
- The frequency and types of in-service training provided to survey personnel.
- The evaluation systems used to monitor the performance of individual surveyors and survey teams.
- Policies and procedures regarding an individual's participation in the survey or accreditation decision process of any organization with which the individual is professionally or financially affiliated.

++ Policies and procedures used when an organization has a dispute regarding survey findings or an adverse decision.

- A description of the organization's data management and analysis capabilities in support of its surveys and accreditation decisions, including the kinds of reports, tables, and other displays generated by that system.

- The organization's procedures for investigating and responding to complaints against accredited facilities, including policies and procedures regarding coordination of these activities with relevant licensing bodies and CMS.

- A description of the organization's policies and procedures for withholding or removal of accreditation status for facilities that fail to meet the organization's accreditation standards and other actions taken by the organization in response to noncompliance with its accreditation criteria. These policies and procedures must include notifying CMS of facilities that fail to meet the requirements of the accrediting organization as required by CMS.

- The information submitted for notification of these organizations include—

++ A list of all accredited suppliers that the accrediting organization has accredited to include the type and category of accreditation currently held by each supplier, and the expiration date of each supplier's current accreditation; and

++ A list of all accreditation surveys scheduled to be performed by the organization.

- The accreditation organization must also submit the following supporting documentation:

++ A written presentation that demonstrates the organization's ability to furnish us with electronic data in ASCII comparable code.

++ A resource analysis that demonstrates that the organization's staffing, funding, and other resources are adequate to perform the required surveys and related activities.

+ A statement acknowledging that, as a condition for approval the organization will agree to the following:

—Provide a statement agreeing to notify us, in writing, of any supplier that had its accreditation revoked, withdrawn, revised, or any other remedial or adverse action taken against it by the accreditation organization within 30 calendar days of any such action taken.

—Notify all accredited suppliers within 10 calendar days of our withdrawal of the organization's approval of designation authority.

—Notify us, in writing, at least 30 calendar days in advance of the effective date of any proposed changes in accreditation requirements.

—Permit its surveyors to serve as witnesses if we take an adverse action based on accreditation findings.

—Notify us, in writing, within 2 calendar days of a deficiency identified in any accreditation entity where the deficiency poses an immediate jeopardy to the supplier's beneficiaries or a hazard to the general public.

—Provide, on an annual basis, summary data specified by us that relates to the past years' accreditations and trends.

—Attest that the organization will not perform any accreditation surveys of Medicare participating suppliers with which it has a financial relationship with or interest. For further information regarding the application requirements see the November 25, 2009 (74 FR 62189) and November 30, 2009 (74 FR 62579) notices.

The three national accreditation organizations that have applied for approval provided us with demonstrated evidence of their ability to accredit the categories of advanced diagnostic imaging services as defined in sections 1834(e)(1)(B) and 1848 (b)(4)(B) of the Act. Therefore, we are initially approving the following designated accreditation organizations to accredit suppliers furnishing the TC of all advanced imaging modalities (that is, computerized tomography, nuclear medicine, positron emission

tomography, and magnetic resonance imaging) on or after January 1, 2010: (1) American College of Radiology (ACR); (2) the Intersocietal Accreditation Commission (IAC); and (3) The Joint Commission (TJC).

Authority: Section 1834(e) of the Act. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.774, Medicare-Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: January 20, 2010.

Charlene Frizzera,
Acting Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Center for Scientific Review; Amended Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the Respiratory Integrative Biology and Translational Research Study Section, February 4, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to February 5, 2010, 12 p.m., Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD, 20814 which was published in the **Federal Register** on January 8, 2010, 75 FR 1066-1067.

The meeting will be held February 3, 2010, to February 4, 2010. The meeting time and location remain the same. The meeting is closed to the public.

Dated: January 15, 2010.

Jennifer Spaeth,
Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Center for Scientific Review; Amended Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the Neurobiology of Motivated Behavior Study Section, February 4, 2010, 8 a.m. to February 5, 2010, 5 p.m., Bahia Resort Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, San Diego, CA, 92109 which was published in the **FEDERAL REGISTER** on January 8, 2010, 75 FR 1066-1067.

The meeting will be held at the Catamaran Resort Hotel and Spa, 3999 Mission Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92109. The meeting dates and time