

Organizations that Serve Minority Communities, REACH MNO. These applications have been previously received and competed in response to CDC Funding Opportunity CDC-RFA-DP09-905. It is the intent of CDC to provide continuation funding to three (3) previously received and reviewed applications with Patient Protection Affordable Care Act (PPACA), Section 4002, appropriations.

Recipient Reporting Requirements Under PPACA

Recipients funded with PPACA appropriations will be required to report project status on an annual basis. Specific reporting requirements will be detailed in the Terms and Conditions of the Notice of Cooperative Agreement Award.

CFDA Number 93.541 is the PPACA specific CFDA number for this initiative. It will replace CFDA Number 93.283 published in the above referenced REACH MNO Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA).

Award Information

Approximate Current Fiscal Year Funding: \$750,000.

Approximate Number of Awards: 3.

Approximate Average Awards: \$250,000.

Fiscal Year Funds: 2011.

Anticipated Award Date: September 30, 2011.

Budget Period: 12 months.

Project Period: 12 months.

Application Selection Process:

Grantees have been selected based on methodology published in the REACH MNO CDC-RFA-DP09-905 FOA.

Applications were funded in order by score and rank determined by previously held review panel.

CDC will add the following Authority to that which is reflected in the published Funding Opportunity: Section 4002 of the Patient Protection and Affordability Care Act (Pub. L. 111-148).

DATES: The effective date for this action is September 2, 2011 and remains in effect until the expiration of the one (1) year project period of the PPACA funded applications.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 23, 2010, the President signed into law the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). PPACA is designed

to improve and expand the scope of health care coverage for Americans. Cost savings through disease prevention is an important element of this legislation and PPACA has established a Prevention and Public Health Fund (PPHF) for this purpose. Specifically, the legislation states in Section 4002 that the PPHF is to "provide for expanded and sustained national investment in prevention and public health programs to improve health and help restrain the rate of growth in private and public sector health care costs". PPACA and the Prevention and Public Health Fund make improving public health a priority with investments to improve public health.

The PPHF states that the Secretary shall transfer amounts in the Fund to accounts within the Department of Health and Human Services to increase funding, over the fiscal year 2008 level, for programs authorized by the public Health Services Act, for prevention, wellness and public health activities including prevention research and health screenings, such as the Community Transformation Grant Program, the Education and Outreach Campaign for Preventative Benefits, and Immunization Programs.

REACH MNO and PPACA legislation affords an important opportunity to advance public health across the lifespan and to reduce health disparities by supporting an intensive community approach to chronic disease prevention and control. Therefore, awarding cooperative agreements with PPACA funds under PPHF to existing grantees to carry out REACH objectives is consistent with the purpose of PPHF, as stated above, to provide for the expanded and sustained national investment in prevention and public health programs. Further, the Secretary allocated funds to CDC, pursuant to the PPHF, for the types of activities that the REACH initiatives are designed to carry out.

Therefore, the REACH program activities CDC proposes to fund with PPACA appropriations are authorized by the amendment to the Public Health Services Act which authorized the Prevention and Wellness Program as embodied in CDC-RFA-DP09-905.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Subcommittee on Procedures Review, Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), announces the following meeting for the aforementioned subcommittee:

Time and Date: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., September 19, 2011.

Place: Cincinnati Airport Marriott, 2395 Progress Drive, Hebron, Kentucky 41018, Telephone: (859) 334-4611, Fax: (859) 334-4619.

Status: Open to the public. In the event an individual wishes to provide comments, written comments must be submitted prior to the meeting. To access by conference call dial the following information: (866) 659-0537, Participant Pass Code 9933701.

Background: The ABRWH was established under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 to advise the President on a variety of policy and technical functions required to implement and effectively manage the compensation program. Key functions of the ABRWH include providing advice on the development of probability of causation guidelines that have been promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as a final rule; advice on methods of dose reconstruction which have also been promulgated by HHS as a final rule; advice on the scientific validity and quality of dose estimation and reconstruction efforts being performed for purposes of the compensation program; and advice on petitions to add classes of workers to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

In December 2000, the President delegated responsibility for funding, staffing, and operating the ABRWH to HHS, which subsequently delegated this authority to CDC. NIOSH implements this responsibility for CDC. The charter was issued on August 3, 2001, renewed at appropriate intervals, and will expire on August 3, 2013.

Purpose: The ABRWH is charged with (a) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the development of guidelines under Executive Order 13179; (b) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the scientific validity and quality of

dose reconstruction efforts performed for this program; and (c) upon request by the Secretary, HHS, advising the Secretary on whether there is a class of employees at any Department of Energy facility who were exposed to radiation but for whom it is not feasible to estimate their radiation dose, and on whether there is a reasonable likelihood that such radiation doses may have endangered the health of members of this class. The Subcommittee on Procedures Review was established to aid the ABRWH in carrying out its duty to advise the Secretary, HHS, on dose reconstructions. The Subcommittee on Procedures Review is responsible for overseeing, tracking, and participating in the reviews of all procedures used in the dose reconstruction process by the NIOSH Division of Compensation Analysis and Support (DCAS) and its dose reconstruction contractor.

Matters To Be Discussed: The agenda for the Subcommittee meeting includes discussion of the following ORAU and OCAS procedures: ORAUT-RPRT-0044 ("Analysis of Bioassay Data with a Significant Fraction of Less-Than Results"), OCAS TIB-0013 ("Special External Dose Reconstruction Considerations for Mallinckrodt Workers"), OTIB-0019 ("Analysis of Coworker Bioassay Data for Internal Dose Assignment"), OTIB-0021 (External Coworker Dosimetry Data for the X-10 Site), OTIB-0029 ("Internal Dosimetry Coworker Data for Y-12"), OTIB-0047 ("External Radiation Monitoring at the Y-12 Facility During the 1948-1949 Period"), OTIB-0049 ("Estimating Doses for Plutonium Strongly Retained in the Lung"), OTIB-0052 ("Parameters to Consider When Processing Claims for Construction Trade Workers"), OTIB-0054 ("Fission and Activation Product Assignment for Internal Dose-Related Gross Beta and Gross Gamma Analyses"), and OTIB-0070 ("Dose Reconstruction During Residual Radioactivity Periods at Atomic Weapons Employer Facilities"); and a continuation of the comment-resolution process for other dose reconstruction procedures under review by the Subcommittee.

The agenda is subject to change as priorities dictate.

This meeting is open to the public. In the event an individual wishes to provide comments, written comments must be submitted prior to the meeting. Any written comments received will be provided at the meeting and should be submitted to the contact person below in advance of the meeting.

Contact Person for More Information: Theodore Katz, Executive Secretary, NIOSH, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road,

Mailstop E-20, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, Telephone: (513) 533-6800, Toll Free: 1 (800) CDC-INFO, E-mail dcas@cdc.gov.

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 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Hospice Voluntary Quality Data Reporting Program; *Use:* Section 1814(i)(5) of the Social Security Act (Act) added by section 3004 of Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148, enacted on March 23, 2010 (Affordable Care Act), authorizes the

Secretary to establish a quality reporting program for hospices. Section 1814(i)(5)(A)(i) of the Act requires that the Secretary, beginning with FY 2014, reduce the market basket update by 2 percentage points for any hospice that does not comply with the quality data submission requirements with respect to that fiscal year.

To meet the quality reporting requirements for hospices, as set forth in the proposed Hospice Wage Index for Fiscal Year 2012 rule, we propose that there shall be a voluntary hospice quality reporting cycle which will consist of data collection cycle beginning on October 1, 2011 and continuing through December 31, 2011. This data shall be reported to CMS by no later than January 31, 2012. There shall be a mandatory hospice quality reporting cycle which will consist of data collected from October 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. This data shall be reported to CMS by no later than April 1, 2013. Thereafter, it is proposed that all subsequent hospice quality reporting cycles will be based on the calendar-year basis (that is, January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 for determination of the Hospice market basket increase factor for each Hospice in FY 2015, *etc.*).

We are requesting an initial approval of a data collection instrument entitled "Quality Data Submission Form" that hospice providers will use to submit quality measures data to CMS during the proposed voluntary reporting period of 10/01/2011 through 12/31/2011. This form shall be used by hospices to report quality data pertaining to one structural measure, which is entitled: Participation in a Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement (QAPI) Program that Includes at Least Three Quality Indicators Related to Patient Care. *Form Number:* CMS-10390 (OMB 0938-New); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* Private Sector: Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 3,531; *Total Annual Responses:* 3,531; *Total Annual Hours:* 883. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Robin Dowell at 410-786-0060. For all other issues call 410-786-1326.)

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Long Term Care Hospital (LCTH) Quality Reporting Program—Pressure Ulcer Measure Data Set; *Use:* Section 3004 of the Affordable Care Act authorizes the establishment of a new quality reporting program for Long Term Care Hospitals (LTCHs). LTCHs that fail to submit quality measure data may be subject to a 2 percentage point reduction in their