

II. Procedure for Updating the List

The Modernization Act also requires FDA to update the list annually. FDA plans to update the list regularly and at least annually. Individuals desiring to comment on the procedure and criteria used to develop the list may submit at any time written comments identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Persons seeking to add a particular drug to the priority section of the list or to have a drug removed from the priority section of the list may submit to the agency a citizen petition that complies with the requirements of 21 CFR part 10. At its discretion, the agency may consult with a sitting advisory committee, which may include pediatric research experts, before determining whether to include a drug on or remove a drug from the list.

III. Electronic Access

Persons with access to the Internet may obtain the list and all updated versions of the list by using the World Wide Web (WWW). For WWW access, connect to CDER at <http://www.fda.gov/cder/pediatric> or to CBER at <http://www.fda.gov/CBER/publications.htm>.

IV. Request for Comments

Interested persons may submit at any time to the Dockets Management Branch (address above) written comments regarding the procedure and criteria used to develop the list. Two copies of any comments are to be submitted, except that individuals may submit one copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. The list and received comments will be available for public examination in the office above between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Received comments will be considered in determination whether further revision of the list is warranted.

Dated: May 13, 1998.

William B. Schultz,

Deputy Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Privacy Act of 1974; Addition of Routine Uses to an Existing System of Records

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notification of an addition of routine uses to an existing system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is publishing a proposal to add three new routine uses for the records in System of Records 09-15-0056, National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP), BHP/HRSA/HHS. HRSA proposes to specify the categories of records in the system, and to expand the list of routine use in record disclosures to include disclosures for research purposes, disclosures to annuity brokers, and disclosures to employees of life insurance companies for the purposes of providing benefits to recipients under the VICP.

DATES: HRSA invites interested parties to submit comments on the addition of new routine uses on or before June 19, 1998. The HRSA/VICP will adopt the new routine uses without further notice 30 days after the date of publication, unless HRSA receives comments which would result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Please address comments on the altered system of records to the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Privacy Act Officer, Department of Health and Human Services, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 14A-20, Rockville, Maryland 20857, telephone (301) 443-3780. This is not a toll-free number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Director, Division of Vaccine Injury Compensation, BHP/HRSA, Room 8A-35, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857; telephone (301) 443-6593. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The routine use changes proposed are to expand the "Routine Uses of Records" to specify conditions for approving access to the system of records for research purposes.

Access to the system is limited to authorized users only. Stringent physical and procedural safeguards are in place to protect information.

The alteration of this system will have a minimal effect on an individual's privacy and should not affect personal rights. The information gathered for research purposes or benefit payment purposes will not be disclosed publicly in identifiable form.

Disclosure of information from this system of records may provide important information about vaccine

safety, benefit-payment trends or the VICP.

The following notice is written in the present, rather than the future tense, to avoid the unnecessary expenditure of public funds to republish the notice after the routine use has become effective.

Dated: May 11, 1998.

Claude Earl Fox,

Acting Administrator.

Add to Routine Uses of Records Maintained in the System:

7. A record may be disclosed to annuity brokers and to employees of life insurance companies for the purposes of obtaining financial advice and for the purchase of contracts to provide benefits to recipients of benefits under the Program. Organizations to which information is disclosed for this use will be required to maintain Privacy Act safeguards with respect to such records.

8. A record may be disclosed to contractors for the purpose of providing medical review, analysis and determination as to whether petitions meet the medical requirements for compensation. Contractors will be required to maintain Privacy Act safeguards with respect to such records.

9. A record may be disclosed for a research purpose when the Department:

(A) Has determined that the disclosure does not violate legal or policy limitations under which the record was provided, collected, or obtained;

(B) Has determined that the research purpose:

(1) Is consistent with the purpose for which the program was formed, which includes but is not limited to evaluating the safety of vaccines covered under the Program,

(2) Cannot be reasonably accomplished with information in statistical form, and must be provided in an identifiable form to accomplish the research purpose, and

(3) Warrants the risk to the privacy of the individual that additional exposure of the record might bring;

(C) Has required the recipient to:

(1) Establish reasonable administrative, technical and physical safeguards to prevent unauthorized use or disclosure of the record,

(2) Remove or destroy the information that identifies the individual at the earliest time at which removal or destruction can be accomplished consistent with the purpose of the research project, unless the recipient has presented adequate justification of a research or health nature for retaining such information, and

(3) Make no further use of the record except:

(a) In emergency circumstances affecting the health or safety of any individual,

(b) For disclosure to a properly identified person for the purpose of an audit related to the research project, if information that would enable research subjects to be identified is removed or destroyed at the earliest opportunity consistent with the purpose of the audit, or

(c) When required by law; and

(D) Has secured a written statement attesting to the recipient's understanding of and willingness to abide by these provisions.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of Refugee Resettlement

Modification to the Standing Announcement Published in the Federal Register on December 9, 1997 (62 FR 236)

AGENCY: Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) Administration for Children and Families, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice of correction.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the ORR Standing Announcement, 62 FR 236, with closing dates of January 31, 1998 and June 30, 1998 will have the following changes.

The following programs will be competed as scheduled in the December 9, 1997 notice: Category 1, Preferred Communities, Category 2, Unanticipated Arrivals, Category 5, Mental Health, and Category 6, Ethnic Community Organizations.

Category 3, Orientation, will be canceled for the June 30, 1998 closing. This program will be competed again with closing date of January 31st beginning in 1999 and each subsequent year until the Standing Announcement is revised or canceled.

Category 4, Technical Assistance to Orientation Grantees, is hereby canceled.

Dated: May 14, 1998.

Lavinia Limon,

Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Notice of Availability of Funding To Provide Community Service Employment Opportunities for Refugees Who Have Experienced Long-term Difficulties in Assimilation

AGENCY: Office of Refugee Resettlement, ACF, DHHS.

ACTION: Request for applications for projects to provide community service employment opportunities for refugees who have experienced long-term difficulties in assimilation.

SUMMARY: This program announcement governs the availability of social services funds and award procedures for \$16 million in FY 1998 discretionary grants for community service employment for refugees under the Refugee Resettlement Program. These grants, which will be awarded on a competitive basis, are for localities with large concentrations of refugees who have experienced difficulty integrating socially and economically into local communities. Refugees are eligible to participate in these projects regardless of the length of time they have resided in the U.S. Applications may include requests for project periods of up to three years, with an initial budget period of one year. Where awards are made for multiple year project periods, continuation grant applications will be entertained in subsequent years on a non-competitive basis, subject to the availability of funds, successful progress of the project, and ACF/ORR's determination that this would be in the best interest of the government.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number assigned to this announcement is 93.576.

DATE: The closing date for receipt of applications is July 20, 1998.

ADDRESS: Address applications to: Office of Refugee Resettlement, Division of Community Resettlement, 6th Floor East, Aerospace Building, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW, Washington, DC 20447

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nguyen T. Kimchi at (202) 401-4556, e-mail: Nkimchi@acf.dhhs.gov, or send correspondence to the above listed address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Part I. General Information

A. Background

There are communities across this country with large concentrations of

refugees¹, many of whom entered the United States over a decade ago. For some refugees, language skills, cultural barriers, the lack of financial resources, and years of relying on public assistance, have isolated them from the mainstream, limited their employment opportunities and hindered integration into American communities. Their rate of assimilation has been documented in many localities on such key indicators as poverty levels, welfare utilization, car and home ownership, high school completion, college attendance or graduation, language fluency, employment rates, household income, per capita income, and naturalization rates. Prior to their arrival in the U.S., some refugees have experienced torture, starvation or prolonged malnutrition, which have exacerbated their isolation and difficulty in adapting to life in the United States.

In some of these communities, refugees represent a significant percentage of the population and, relative to non-refugee groups, have a sizeable impact on local services, medical clinics, and school systems.

The purpose of this announcement is to improve refugee rates of assimilation in heavily impacted communities by providing funding for workforce experience and training, earned income for refugees and their families, and access to needed services for refugee communities.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

The FY 1998 House Appropriations Committee Report (H.R. Rept. No. 105-205) stated that: "The Committee has set-aside \$16,000,000 for increased support to communities with large

¹ In addition to persons who meet all requirements of 45 CFR 400.43, "Requirements for documentation of refugee status," eligibility for targeted assistance includes: (1) Cuban and Haitian entrants, under section 501 of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980 (Pub. L. No. 96-422); (2) certain Amerasians from Vietnam who are admitted to the U.S. as immigrants under section 584 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1988, as included in the FY 1988 Continuing Resolution (Pub. L. No. 100-202); and (3) certain Amerasians from Vietnam, including U.S. citizens, under title II of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Acts, 1989 (Pub. L. No. 100-461), 1990 (Pub. L. No. 101-167), and 1991 (Pub. L. No. 101-513). For convenience, the term "refugee" is used in this notice to encompass all such eligible persons unless the specific context indicates otherwise.

Refugees admitted to the U.S. under admissions numbers set aside for private-sector-initiative admissions are not eligible to be served under the targeted assistance program (or under other programs supported by Federal refugee funds) during their period of coverage under their sponsoring agency's agreement with the Department of State—usually two years from their date of arrival or until they obtain permanent resident alien status, whichever comes first.