DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS-7011-N]

Medicare Program: Request for Cosponsors for E-prescribing Educational Conference

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the opportunity for public and private-sector organizations to act as potential cosponsors for a 2-day conference that we are sponsoring to educate stakeholders about the new e-prescribing initiative as described in section 132 of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008.

DATES: Deadline for Cosponsor proposals: Proposals must be received no later than Friday, August 15, 2008, 5 p.m., d.s.t.

ADDRESSES: Address for Cosponsor proposals: Proposals must be sent electronically to the following: e.prescribing@cms.hhs.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Tracy Self, (410) 786–2133, Tracy.Self@cms.hhs.gov, or Rachael Horvath, (410) 786–7424, Rachael.horvath@cms.hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 132 of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA) (Pub. L. 110–275) authorizes the Secretary to provide incentive payments for 2009 through 2013 to successful electronic prescribers. As described in section 132 of MIPPA, successful electronic prescribers are based on either the reporting of applicable electronic prescribing measures established under the Physician Quality Reporting Initiative (PQRI) or through the use of Part D data.

II. Goals of the Conference

We are sponsoring a 2-day conference on October 6 and 7, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. d.s.t. at the Sheraton Boston Hotel and Towers, Boston, Massachusetts 02199.

- The goals of the conference are to—
- Equip health care professionals and other stakeholders with the knowledge and the tools to integrate e-prescribing into their business model;
- Generate discussion about the use of e-prescribing and other e-health

- initiatives to increase patient compliance and overall improved health outcomes;
- Educate health care professionals about the structure and the agency's plans for implementation of the incentive payment structure in regard to e-prescribing and PQRI;
- Identify and promote opportunities to overcome barriers to adoption of this new technology; and,
- Address constituent concerns about privacy, security and risk management in regard to the implementation of this new provision.

III. Cosponsor Proposals and Evaluation Criteria

This notice is an invitation to submit proposals for cosponsorship of the conference to the following: interested physician and provider organizations (including those representing primary care, specialty care, surgical and medicine-based specialties), not-for-profit organizations representing health information networks, health care professionals, retail and community pharmacies, and organizations representing State and local officials.

Interested parties must submit proposals detailing how they will support CMS in a nonfiduciary relationship by developing conference content, identifying speakers, and implementing outreach activities to educate eligible professionals and impacted consumer constituencies about the MIPPA provision.

Each proposal must state that the organization has expressed a willingness to serve as a cosponsor and must be accompanied by documentation that indicates said sponsor meets the evaluation criteria as described in this notice. In order to permit an evaluation of possible sources of conflict of interest, potential cosponsors may be asked to provide detailed information concerning financial interests related to e-health implementation.

Cosponsors will be selected based on the following evaluation criteria. Cosponsors must:

- Be a non-profit entity representing impacted constituencies of e-prescribing.
- Have no direct for-profit interest in the implementation of this provision;
- Demonstrate a substantial interest in e-prescribing technology and implementation and knowledge of current e-prescribing standards for Medicare Part D [Note: Documentation should include the organization's goals and mission; and details of previous activities to support e-prescribing including newsletter articles, internet sources, research papers, educational

conferences, public testimony, or other similar documentation];

- Propose activities and connections that are likely to provide a substantial public health benefit, consistent with HHS goals and the e-prescribing initiative including but not limited to encouraging attendance through member networks, use of cosponsor's logo in support of conference outreach and identifying and engaging industry leaders for this event;
- Have the expertise and capacity to carry out its proposed activities; and,
- Demonstrate a willingness to work collaboratively with other public and private sector organizations to achieve the e-health initiatives.

We will select organizations that meet the established evaluation criteria to enter into formal cosponsor agreements to consult on the conference program content, speaker selection, and outreach strategies in addition to other tasks as described in individual cosponsor agreements. Potential cosponsors understand that any cosponsor agreements will clearly indicate that there will be no Federal endorsement of the cosponsor or any policies, activities, products or services thereof.

Authority: Sections 1848(k)(6), 1848(m)(5)(A), and 1851(d) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1395(w)–4(k)(6), 42 U.S.C. 1395(w)–4(m)(5)(A), and 42 U.S.C. 1395w–21.

Dated: August 8, 2008.

Kerry Weems,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Grants to States for Access and Visitation: State Child Access Program Survey.

OMB No.: 0970-0204.

Description: On an annual basis, States must provide OCSE with data on programs that the Grants to States for Access and Visitation Program has funded. These program reporting requirements include, but are not limited to, the collection of data on the number of parents served, types of services delivered, program outcomes, client socio economic data, referrals sources, and other relevant data. Respondents: State Child Access and Visitation Programs and State and/or local service providers.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of re- spondents	Number of re- sponses per respondent	Average bur- den hours per response	Total burden hours
State Child Access Program Survey	314	1	15	4,710

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,710.

Additional Information: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Administration, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACE Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be 4,710 identified by the title of the information collection. E-mail address: infocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

OMB Comment: OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the Federal Register. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Fax: 202-395-6974, Attn: Desk Officer for the Administration for Children and Families.

Dated: August 6, 2008.

Janean Chambers,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Clinical Center; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the NIH Advisory Board for Clinical Research.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance 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 Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended to discuss personnel matters, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: NIH Advisory Board for Clinical Research.

Date: September 22, 2008.

Open: 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Agenda: To discuss intramural clinical research operational and funding issues.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 10, 10 Center Drive, CRC Medical Board Room 4–2551, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Agenda: To review and discuss personnel matters.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 10, 10 Center Drive, CRC Medical Board Room 4–2551, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Maureen E Gormley, Executive Secretary, Mark O. Hatfield Clinical Research Center, National Institutes of Health, Building 10, Room 6–2551, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301/496–2897.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice.

The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person. In the interest of security, NIH has instituted stringent procedures for entrance onto the NIH campus. All visitor vehicles, including taxicabs, hotel, and airport shuttles will be inspected before being allowed on campus. Visitors will be asked to show one form of identification (for example, a governmentissued photo ID, driver's license, or passport) and to state the purpose of their visit.

Dated: August 6, 2008.

Anna Snouffer,

Deputy Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Cancer Institute; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the meeting of the National Cancer Advisory Board.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance 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 Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

A portion of the meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4), and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Advisory Board Subcommittee on Cancer Centers.

Open: September 7, 2008, 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Agenda: Discussion on Cancer Centers. Place: Bethesda Marriott Suites, 6711 Democracy Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

Contact Person: Dr. Paulette S. Gray, Executive Secretary, National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, 6116 Executive Boulevard, 8th Floor, Room 8001, Bethesda, MD 20892–8327, (301) 496–5147.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Advisory Board

Open: September 8, 2008, 8 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Agenda: Program reports and presentations; Business of the Board.
Place: National Cancer Institute,
9000 Rockville Pike, Building 31, C Wing,

6th Floor, Conference Room 6, Bethesda, MD 20892.