

As provided under 41 CFR 102–3.150(b), the public health urgency of this agency business requires that the meeting be held prior to the first available date for publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Demetria Gardner, Epidemiology and Surveillance Division, National Immunization Program, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE, (E–61), Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/639–8096, fax 404/639–8616.

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Dated: January 13, 2003.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis: Meeting

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 council meeting.

*Name:* Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis (ACET).

*Times and Dates:* 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m., February 4, 2003; 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m., February 5, 2003.

*Place:* Corporate Square, Building 8, 1st Floor Conference Room, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/639–8008.

*Status:* Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 100 people.

*Purpose:* This council advises and makes recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Assistant Secretary for Health, and the Director, CDC, regarding the elimination of tuberculosis. Specifically, the Council makes recommendations regarding policies, strategies, objectives, and priorities; addresses the development and application of new technologies; and reviews the extent to which progress has

been made toward eliminating tuberculosis.

*Matters to be Discussed:* Agenda items include issues pertaining to latent TB Infection, United States Agency for International Development Initiatives in Tuberculosis, and other TB related topics.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

*Contact Person for More Information:* Paulette Ford-Knights, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, NE, M/S E–07, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/639–8008.

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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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

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#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) (formerly known as the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA)), Department of Health and Human Services, 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:* Extension of a currently approved collection;

*Title of Information Collection:* Information Collection Requirements in 42 CFR 478.18, 478.34, 478.36, and 478.42, QIO Reconsiderations and Appeals; *Form No.:* CMS–R–72 (OMB# 0938–0443); *Use:* These regulations contain procedures for QIOs (formerly known as PROs) to use in reconsideration of initial determinations. The information requirements contained in these regulations are on QIOs to provide information to parties requesting a reconsideration. These parties will use the information as guidelines for appeal rights in instances where issues are still in dispute.; *Frequency:* On occasion; *Affected Public:* Individuals or Households and Business or other for-profit; *Number of Respondents:* 2,509; *Total Annual Responses:* 5,228; *Total Annual Hours:* 2,882.

(2) *Type of Information Collection Request:* New Collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Part A Provider and Durable Medical Equipment Supplier Satisfaction Survey; *Form No.:* CMS–10042 (OMB# 0938–NEW); *Use:* This is a request for clearance of a survey questionnaire to conduct a standardized random sample of Part A providers' and DME suppliers' satisfaction of their experience with their Medicare contractor's performance in its administration of the Medicare-fee-for-service program. The purpose of this study is to develop a baseline measure of providers' and suppliers' satisfaction with Medicare contractors by administering a survey to 15,000 providers and suppliers, 5,000 serviced by each of the following contractors: Connecticut General Life Insurance Company (CIGNA)–D, Palmetto Government Business Administrators (PBGA)–D, and United Government Services, LLC (UGS)–Part A. The data collected will be interpreted to produce indicators of the contractor's quality of performance.; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, and Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 4,500; *Total Annual Responses:* 4,500; *Total Annual Hours:* 1,125.

(3) *Type of Information Request:* New Collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Data Collection for Administering the Survey for the Evaluation of the Demonstration to Maintain Independence and