

is intended to provide a better understanding of the agency's operations and policies and to assist these businesses in complying with the agency's regulations.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 11, 1996, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at York College, Academic Core Bldg., Lecture Hall 4M05, 94-20 Guy R. Brewer Blvd., Jamaica, NY 11433. There is no registration fee for this meeting. Interested persons are encouraged to register early because space is limited. To register contact George R. Walden (address below).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George R. Walden, Small Business Representative, Food and Drug Administration, 850 Third Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11232, 718-965-5300 ext. 5528.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to encourage dialogue between the small business community, particularly businesses owned and operated by minorities and women, and FDA officials. This meeting will provide a forum to express concerns, discuss the effects of regulations, and convey knowledge about the agency's operations and policies.

Dated: March 30, 1996.

William K. Hubbard,
*Associate Commissioner for Policy
Coordination.*

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Health Care Financing Administration

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Medicare Program; April 22, 1996, Meeting of the Practicing Physicians Advisory Council

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces a meeting of the Practicing Physicians Advisory Council. This meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for April 22, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. edt (Additional meetings are tentatively scheduled for July 8, September 23, and December 16, 1996.)

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Room 800, 8th Floor, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Samuel Shekar, M.D., Executive Director, Practicing Physicians Advisory Council, Room 425-H, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201, (202) 260-5463.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) is mandated by section 1868 of the Social Security Act, as added by section 4112 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 (OBRA '90) (Pub. L. 101-508, enacted on November 5, 1990), to appoint a Practicing Physicians Advisory Council (the Council) based on nominations submitted by medical organizations representing physicians. The Council meets quarterly to discuss certain proposed changes in regulations and carrier manual instructions related to physicians' services, as identified by the Secretary. To the extent feasible and consistent with statutory deadlines, the consultation must occur before publications of the proposed changes. The Council submits an annual report on its recommendations to the Secretary and the Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration not later than December 31 of each year.

The Council consists of 15 physicians, each of whom has submitted at least 250 claims for physicians' services under Medicare in the previous year. Members of the Council include both participating and nonparticipating physicians, and physicians practicing in rural and underserved urban areas. At least 11 members must be doctors of medicine or osteopathy authorized to practice medicine and surgery by the States in which they practice. Members have been invited to serve for overlapping 4-year terms. In accordance with section 14 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, terms of more than 2 years are contingent upon the renewal of the Council by appropriate action before the end of the 2-year term.

The Council held its first meeting on May 11, 1992.

The current members are: Richard Bronfman, D.P.M.; Gary C. Dennis, M.D.; Catalina E. Garcia, M.D.; Kenneth D. Hansen, M.D.; Ardis Hoven, M.D.; Sandra Hullett, M.D.; Jerilynn S. Kaibel, D.C.; Marie G. Kuffner, M.D. (Renominated-pending selection); Marc Lowe, M.D.; Katherine L. Markette, M.D.; Maisie Tam, M.D.; Kenneth M. Viste, Jr., M.D.; and James C. Waites, M.D. (Renominated-pending selection). The chairperson is Kenneth M. Viste, Jr., M.D.

The next meeting of the Council will be held on April 22, 1996. The Council

agenda will provide for discussion and comment on three items:

- The Medicare Coverage Regulation.
- The National Provider Identification Project.
- End of Life Care.

Council members will also receive a legislative and managed care update. In addition, four new members will be sworn in to serve on the Council. Those individuals or organizations who wish to make 5-minute oral presentations on the three issues listed should contact the Executive Director by 12:00 noon, April 5, 1996, to be scheduled. The number of oral presentations may be limited by the time available. A written copy of the oral remarks should be submitted to the Executive Director no later than 12:00 noon, April 11, 1996. For the name, address, and telephone number of the Executive Director, see the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section at the beginning of this notice. Anyone who is not scheduled to speak may also submit written comments to the Executive Director by 12:00 noon, April 11, 1996. The meeting is open to the public, but attendance is limited to the space available on a first-come basis.

(Section 1868 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ee) and section 10(a) of Public Law 92-463 (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)); 45 CFR Part 11)

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance Program)

Dated: March 20, 1996.

Bruce C. Vladeck,
*Administrator, Health Care Financing
Administration.*

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Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Center for Mental Health Services National Advisory Council Meeting in April

AGENCY: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

ACTION: Correction of Meeting Notice.

SUMMARY: Public notice was given in the Federal Register on March 7, 1996 (Vol. 61, No. 46, page 9189) that the Center for Mental Health Services National Advisory Council would be meeting in open session on April 11 and 12.

It has become necessary to add a presentation and detailed discussion of information about the Center's procurement plans. Therefore, a portion of the meeting will be closed to the public as determined by the