

involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Michelle A. Smith, Director, Office of Board Members; 202-452-2955.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 2, 2005.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Notice of Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Minority Health

**AGENCY:** Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary, Office of Public Health and Science, Office of Minority Health.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** As stipulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is hereby giving notice that the Advisory Committee on Minority Health (ACMH) will hold a meeting. This meeting is open to the public. Preregistration is required for both public attendance and comment. Any individual who wishes to attend the meeting and/or participate in the public comment session should e-mail [acmh@osophs.dhhs.gov](mailto:acmh@osophs.dhhs.gov).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on January 8, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Grand Hyatt Washington, 1000 H Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001. The meeting is accessible from the Metro Center Station (Take the 11th Street exit for entrance into the Grand Hyatt).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Monica A. Farrar, Tower Building, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 600, Rockville, Maryland 20852. Phone: 240-453-2882, Fax: 240-453-2883.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with Public Law 105-392,

the ACMH was established to provide advice to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health in improving the health of each racial and ethnic minority group and on the development of goals and specific program activities of the Office of Minority Health.

Topics to be discussed during this meeting will include strategies to improve Native American Health (including "indigenous" peoples of the U.S. and the Pacific Islands), Information Technology's Role in Health Care, and Educational Outreach and Health Promotion in improving the health of racial and ethnic minority populations, as well as other related issues.

Public attendance at the meeting is 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 designated contact person at least five business days prior to the meeting. Members of the public will have an opportunity to provide comments at the meeting. Public comments will be limited to five minutes per speaker. Individuals who would like to submit written statements should mail or fax their comments to the Office of Minority Health at least two business days prior to the meeting. Any members of the public who wish to have printed material distributed to ACMH committee members should submit their materials to the Executive Secretary, ACMH, prior to close of business January 3, 2006.

Dated: November 22, 2005.

**Garth N. Graham,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health, Executive Secretary, ACMH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Public Meeting

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following public meetings and request for information:

**Name:** NIOSH Availability of Opportunity to Provide Input for the National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) with a special emphasis on the

Construction Sector, and the Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities Sector and regional and multi-sector input.

**Time and Date for Meeting One:** Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities (TWU) Sector.

9 a.m.-5 p.m. EST, December 5, 2005:

9 a.m.-12 p.m., Multi-Sector Public Comments.

1 p.m.-5 p.m., TWU Specific Public Comments.

**Place for Meeting One:** Holiday Inn, 10000 Baltimore Avenue, College Park, MD 20740.

**Time and Date for Meeting Two:**

Construction Sector.

9 a.m.-5 p.m. CST, Monday December 19, 2005:

9 a.m.-12 p.m. Multi-sector Public Comments.

1 p.m.-5 p.m. Construction Specific Public Comments.

**Place for Meeting Two:** University of Illinois at Chicago, School of Public Health and Psychiatric Institute, 1603 W. Taylor Street, Chicago, Illinois 60612.

**Status:** Meetings are open to the public, limited only by the space available.

**Background:** A large part of our lives is shaped by the work we do. NORA is a framework to guide occupational safety and health research for the nation. It is an ongoing endeavor to focus research to reduce work-related injury and illness. As the program approaches a ten year milestone, NIOSH is hosting public meetings to seek input from individuals and organizations on important research issues and agendas. Information about the public meetings and registration can be found on the NORA Web page at: <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/nora/townhall>.

Given that NORA represents a broad-based partnership involving government, business, the worker community, academia, and others, public input is essential for planning future directions for the initiative, which will be based on eight different industry sector groups. Each meeting will be structured to provide an opportunity for regional and multi-sector input during the morning, followed where appropriate by an afternoon session to focus on individual sector issues.

All participants are requested to register for the free meeting at the NORA Web page or onsite the day of the meeting. Participants wishing to speak are encouraged to register early. The public meetings are open to everyone, including all workers, professional societies, organized labor, employers, researchers, health professionals,

government officials and elected officials. Broad participation is desired.

**Purpose:** The public meetings will address both regional and sector-specific priorities for research. During the morning session, stakeholders will be invited to speak for 3–5 minutes on an important occupational safety and health issue, including those that occur in multiple sectors. Where noted in the agenda, the afternoon session will focus on sector-specific problems facing the nation. Again, participants will be asked to make 3–5 minute presentations describing what they perceive to be the top concerns within their sector or sub-sector. Participants are encouraged to attend both the regional and sector-specific sessions, or they may elect to participate in only one session.

Types of occupational safety and health issues might include diseases, injuries, exposures, populations at risk, and needs of occupational safety and health systems. For example, falls from heights might be a top injury issue for the residential construction industry. Low back pain and related back disorders might be a top disease concern for the urban transit industry. If possible, please include as much information as might be useful for understanding the safety or health research priority you identify. Such information could include characterization of the frequency and severity with which the injury, illness, or hazardous exposure is occurring and of the factors you believe might be causing the health or safety issue. Input is also requested on the types of research that you believe might make a difference and the partners (*e.g.*, specific industry associations, labor organizations, research organizations, governmental agencies) who should be involved in forming research efforts and in solving the problem.

All presentations will be entered into the NORA Docket, which is maintained by NIOSH. All comments in the NORA Docket will be used to help shape sector-specific and related cross-sector research agendas for the nation.

These events are the first of several public meetings. Additional meetings will include April 18–20, 2006, in Washington, DC, for Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing; Healthcare and Social Assistance; Wholesale and Retail Trade; Manufacturing; Mining; Services; Regional Issues; and a summary session. Future **Federal Register** Notices will provide more information on these meetings.

Due to administrative issues that had to be resolved, the **Federal Register** notice is being published on short notice.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sid Soderholm, Ph.D., NORA Coordinator, (202) 401–0721.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may also be e-mailed to [niocindocket@cdc.gov](mailto:niocindocket@cdc.gov), or sent via postal mail to: Docket NIOSH–047, Robert A. Taft Laboratories (C–34), 4676 Columbia Parkway, Cincinnati, OH 45226.

Stakeholders are also invited to submit comments electronically at the NORA Web page: <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/nora>. Comments submitted to the Web page by others can also be viewed there.

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.

Dated: November 30, 2005.

**Diane Allen,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Children and Families

#### Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

##### *Proposed Projects:*

*Title:* Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES)

*OMB No.:* 0970–0151.

*Description:* The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is requesting comments on plans to collect data on a new cohort for the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). This study is being conducted to collect information on Head Start performance measures under contract with Mathematica Policy Research, Inc. (with Juarez and Associates and Educational Testing Service as their subcontractors) (contract #HHSP23320052905YC).

FACES will involve four waves of data collection. The first wave will

occur in fall 2006. Data will be collected on a sample of approximately 2,800 children and families from about 350 classrooms across 60 Head Start programs. Data collection will include assessments of Head Start children, interviews with their parents, and ratings by their Head Start teachers. Furthermore, site visitors will interview Head Start teachers and make observations of the types and quality of classroom activities.

The second wave in spring 2007 will be very similar to the fall 2006 data collection, except that we will not repeat interviews with the Head Start staff interviewed in the fall and will add an interview of the family services coordinator. The children in the second wave will be at the end of their first year of Head Start.

The third wave will occur in spring 2008 and will involve follow-ups with children who at this time are either completing a second year in Head Start or completing Kindergarten. For those children who are still attending Head Start, data collection will follow the same procedures as in spring 2007. For those children attending Kindergarten, data collection will include assessments of the children, an “update” survey of the information collection from the parent interview, and ratings of the children’s academic progress and school adjustment by Kindergarten teachers.

The fourth wave of data collection will occur in spring 2009. Children who attended Kindergarten the previous year will not be included in this wave. The procedures for this effort will be the same as for Kindergartens in spring 2008.

This schedule of data collection is necessitated by the mandates of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993 (Pub. L. 103–62), which requires that the Head Start Bureau move expeditiously toward development and testing of Head Start Performance Measures, and by the 1994 reauthorization of Head Start (Head Start Act, as amended, May 18, 1994, Section 649 (d)), which requires periodic assessments of Head Start’s quality and effectiveness.

*Respondents:* Federal Government, individuals or households, and not-for-profit institutions.

#### Annual Burden Estimates

Estimated Response Burden for Respondents to the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES 2006)—Fall 2006, Spring 2007, Spring 2008, Spring 2009.