

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Meetings of the Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** As stipulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is hereby giving notice that a virtual meeting is scheduled to be held for the Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria (PACCARB). The meeting will be available to the public through the live stream on [hhs.gov/live](https://hhs.gov/live). Individuals are encouraged to provide written public comment, submitted via email to [CARB@hhs.gov](mailto:CARB@hhs.gov). Registration information is available on the PACCARB website <http://www.hhs.gov/paccarb> and should be completed by August 27, 2024, for the August 29, 2024, virtual Public Meeting. Additional information about registering for the meeting can be obtained at <http://www.hhs.gov/paccarb> on the Upcoming Meetings page.

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled to be held on August 29, 2024, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. ET (times are tentative and subject to change). The confirmed times and agenda items for the meeting will be posted on the website for the PACCARB at <http://www.hhs.gov/paccarb> when this information becomes available. Pre-registration for attending the meeting is strongly suggested and should be completed no later than August 27, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** The virtual meeting can be accessed through a live webcast on the day of the meeting at [hhs.gov/live](https://hhs.gov/live). Additional instructions regarding attending this meeting virtually will be posted at least one week prior to the meeting at: <http://www.hhs.gov/paccarb>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jomana Musmar, M.S., Ph.D., Designated Federal Officer, Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Rockville, MD 20852. Phone: 202-746-1512; Email: [CARB@hhs.gov](mailto:CARB@hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria

(PACCARB), established by Executive Order 13676, is continued by section 505 of Public Law 116-22, the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness and Advancing Innovation Act of 2019 (PAHPAIA). Activities and duties of the PACCARB are governed by the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. app.), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of Federal advisory committees.

The PACCARB advises and provides information and recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services (Secretary) regarding programs and policies intended to reduce or combat antibiotic-resistant bacteria that may present a public health threat and improve capabilities to prevent, diagnose, mitigate, or treat such resistance. The PACCARB functions solely for advisory purposes.

Such advice, information, and recommendations may be related to improving: the effectiveness of antibiotics; research and advanced research on, and the development of, improved and innovative methods for combating or reducing antibiotic resistance, including new treatments, rapid point-of-care diagnostics, alternatives to antibiotics, including alternatives to animal antibiotics, and antimicrobial stewardship activities; surveillance of antibiotic-resistant bacterial infections, including publicly available and up-to-date information on resistance to antibiotics; education for health care providers and the public with respect to up-to-date information on antibiotic resistance and ways to reduce or combat such resistance to antibiotics related to humans and animals; methods to prevent or reduce the transmission of antibiotic-resistant bacterial infections; including stewardship programs; and coordination with respect to international efforts in order to inform and advance the United States capabilities to combat antibiotic resistance.

The focus of the August 29, 2024, virtual meeting will be for the PACCARB to deliberate and vote on transmittal of the draft resolution letter from the Immediate Action Subcommittee to the Secretary of Health and Human Services. The meeting agenda will be posted on the PACCARB website at <http://www.hhs.gov/paccarb> when it has been finalized. All agenda items are tentative and subject to change. Instructions regarding attending the meeting virtually will be posted at least one week prior to the meeting at: <http://www.hhs.gov/paccarb>.

Dated: July 16, 2024.

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### Indian Health Service

#### Notice of Purchased/Referred Care Delivery Area Redesignation for the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon

**AGENCY:** Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

**ACTION:** Final notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Indian Health Service (IHS) has decided to expand the geographic boundaries of the Purchased/Referred Care Delivery Area (PRCDA) for the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon (CTGR) to include the county of Clackamas in the State of Oregon. The current PRCDA for the CTGR includes the Oregon counties of Washington, Polk, Yamhill, Marion, Multnomah, and Tillamook. The sole purpose of this expansion is to authorize additional CTGR members and beneficiaries to receive purchased/referred care (PRC) services.

**DATES:** This expansion is effective as of the publication date of this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** This notice can be found at <https://www.federalregister.gov>. Written requests for information should be delivered to: CAPT John Rael, Director, Office of Resource Access and Partnerships, Indian Health Service, 5600 Fishers Lane, Mail Stop 10E85C, Rockville, MD 20857, or by phone at (301) 443-0969 (this is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The IHS provides services under regulations in effect as of September 15, 1987, and republished at 42 CFR part 136, subparts A-C. Subpart C defines a Contract Health Service Delivery Area (CHSDA), now referred to as a PRCDA, as the geographic area within which PRC will be made available by the IHS to members of an identified Indian community who reside in the PRCDA. Residence within a PRCDA by a person who is within the scope of the Indian health program, as set forth in 42 CFR 136.12, creates no legal entitlement to PRC but only potential eligibility for