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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC)

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) announce the following meeting for the aforementioned committee:

**Times and Dates:** 9 a.m.–5 p.m., February 16, 2012, 9 a.m.–12 p.m., February 17, 2012.

**Place:** CDC, Global Communications Center, Building 19, Auditorium B3, 1600 Clifton Road NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30333.

**Status:** Open to the public, limited only by the space available. Please register for the meeting at [www.cdc.gov/hicpac](http://www.cdc.gov/hicpac).

**Purpose:** The Committee is charged with providing advice and guidance to the Secretary, the Assistant Secretary for Health and Human Services, the Director, CDC, the Director, National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID), and the Director, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion regarding (1) the practice of healthcare infection control; (2) strategies for surveillance, prevention, and control of infections (e.g., nosocomial infections), antimicrobial resistance, and related events in settings where healthcare is provided; and (3) periodic updating of guidelines and other policy statements regarding prevention of healthcare-associated infections and healthcare-related conditions.

**Matters To Be Discussed:** The agenda will include updates on CDC's activities for Healthcare Associated Infections (HAI), CDC's dialysis HAI activities, and CDC's long-term care HAI activities, draft guideline for prevention of infections among patients in neonatal intensive care units (NICU), draft guideline for infection control in healthcare personnel, draft guideline for the prevention of surgical site infections, update from the HICPAC surveillance working group, and updates on HAI surveillance definitions.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

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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: January 25, 2012.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### World Trade Center Health Program Scientific/Technical Advisory Committee (WTCHP STAC or Advisory Committee), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

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 meetings of the aforementioned committee:

**Committee Public Meeting Times and Dates:** (All times are Eastern Standard Time.)  
12 p.m.–5 p.m., February 15, 2012. 8:30 a.m.–2 p.m., February 16, 2012.

**Public Comment Times and Dates:** (All times are Eastern Standard Time.)  
3:45 p.m.–4:45 p.m., on February 15, 2012.  
8:45 a.m.–9:45 a.m., on February 16, 2012.

**Place:** Jacob J. Javits Federal Building, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, New York 10278. This meeting is also available by teleconference. Please dial 1-800-593-0693 and enter code 37121.

**Status:** Open to the public, limited by the capacity of the room, which is about 70 persons, and the number of telephone lines. The conference line will accommodate up to 300 callers; therefore it is suggested that those interested in calling in to listen to the committee meeting share a line when possible.

Please note that the public comment periods end at the times indicated above or following the last call for comments, whichever is earlier. Members of the public who want to comment must sign up. A limited number of time slots are available and will be assigned on a first come-first served basis. Each commenter will be provided up to five minutes for comment. You can sign up before the meeting by mail, facsimile, email, or telephone until all slots are filled. When you sign up you must indicate if you will be making your comments by telephone or in person. Advance sign up will conclude at 5 p.m. on February 13, 2012. If time slots are still available, you will be able to sign up at the meeting beginning at 11 a.m. on February 15 for the public comment period that day, or beginning at 8 a.m. on February 16, for the public comment period that day. To sign up in advance of the meeting, use the contact information that follows.

**Mail:** NIOSH Docket Office, Robert A. Taft Laboratories, MS-C-34, 4676 Columbia Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226.

**Facsimile:** (513) 533-8285.

**Email:** [nioshdocket@cdc.gov](mailto:nioshdocket@cdc.gov).

**Telephone:** (513) 533-8611.

Written comments will also be accepted (see below).

**Security Considerations:** Due to mandatory security clearance procedures at the Jacob K. Javits Federal Building, in-person attendees must present valid government-issued picture identification to security personnel upon entering the building and go through an airport-type security check. Non-U.S. citizens are encouraged to participate in the audio conferencing due to the extra clearance involved with in-person attendance. To attend in person, a non-U.S. citizen will have to call or send an email to the contact person in this Notice before February 1, 2012, and provide passport information. You will be notified if clearance to attend the meeting in person is received; otherwise, you will not be able to attend the meeting in person.

**Background:** The Advisory Committee was established by Public Law 111-347 (The James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010, Title XXXIII of the Public Health Service Act), enacted on January 2, 2011 and codified at 42 U.S.C. 300mm-300mm-61.

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Advisory Committee is to review scientific and medical evidence and to make recommendations to the World Trade Center (WTC) Program Administrator regarding additional WTC Health Program eligibility criteria and potential additions to the list of covered WTC-related health conditions. Title XXXIII of the Public Health Service Act established within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program, to be administered by the WTC Program Administrator. The WTC Health Program provides: (1) Medical monitoring and treatment benefits to eligible emergency responders and recovery and cleanup workers (including those who are Federal employees) who responded to the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, and (2) initial health evaluation, monitoring, and treatment benefits to residents and other building occupants and area workers in New York City, who were directly impacted and adversely affected by such attacks ("survivors"). Certain specific activities of the WTC Program Administrator are reserved to the Secretary, HHS, to delegate at her discretion; other WTC Program Administrator duties not explicitly reserved to the Secretary, HHS, are assigned to the Director, NIOSH. The administration of the Advisory Committee established under Section 300mm-1(a) is left to the Director of NIOSH in his role as WTC Program Administrator. CDC and NIOSH provide funding, staffing, and administrative support services for the Advisory Committee. The charter was issued on May 12, 2011, and will expire on May 12, 2013.

**Matters To Be Discussed:** The agenda for the Advisory Committee meeting includes: discussion of the petition to add cancer to the list of covered WTC-related health