

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Consumer Health IT Pledge Program

AGENCY: Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of availability for Consumer Health IT Pledge Program.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services' Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) is leading a national campaign to educate and engage the public on the value and benefits of health information technology (*health IT*) in improving health and health care. As part of the campaign, we encourage entities that touch Americans' lives to pledge to empower individuals to be partners in their health through health IT. There are two types of pledges: One for those who manage or maintain individually identifiable health data (e.g., providers, hospitals, payers, retail pharmacies) and another for those who do not manage or maintain consumer health data, but have the ability to educate consumers about the importance of getting access to and using their health information (e.g., employers, consumer and disease-based organizations, healthcare associations, product developers).

Taking the pledge is voluntary, and does not represent any endorsement by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or any other part of the federal government.

To learn more about the details of the pledge, please visit: <http://www.healthit.gov/pledge>.

Notice of this schedule is given under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-5), section 3003.

Dated: September 9, 2011.

Jodi Daniel,

Office of Policy and Planning, Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology; Delegation of Authority

Notice is hereby given that I have delegated to the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (National Coordinator), or his or her

successor, the authorities vested in the Secretary under section 1704 of Title XVII of the Public Health Service Act (PHSA) (42 U.S.C. 300u-3), as amended, to conduct and support by grant or contract (and encourage others to support) such activities as may be required to make information respecting health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care available to the consumers of medical care, providers of such care, schools, and others who are or should be informed respecting such matters.

Limitations

The delegation of authority granted herein under section 1704 of Title XVII of the PHSA (42 U.S.C. 300u-3) does not supersede any previous delegations of this authority.

The delegation of authority granted herein under section 1704 of the PHSA, as amended, is limited to making information available to the consumers of medical care, providers of such care, schools, and others who are or should be informed about the use of health information technology as it relates to health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care.

The authority under section 1704 of the PHSA, as amended, shall be exercised under the Department's policy on regulations and the existing delegation of authority to approve and issue regulations.

This delegation of authority may be re-delegated.

This delegation of authority is effective immediately.

I hereby affirm and ratify any actions taken by the National Coordinator, or his or her subordinates, which involved the exercise of the authority under section 1704 of Title XVII of the PHSA (42 U.S.C. 300u-3), as amended, delegated herein prior to the effective date of this delegation of authority.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3101.

Dated: September 12, 2011.

Kathleen Sebelius,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Meeting of the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of the

Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, U.S.C. Appendix 2, notice is hereby given that the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections (SACHRP) will hold its twenty-sixth meeting. The meeting will be open to the public. Information about SACHRP and the meeting agenda will be posted on the SACHRP Web site at: <http://www.dhhs.gov/ohrp/sachrp/mtgngs/index.html>.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2011 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Wednesday, October 5, 2011 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Room 800, Washington, DC 20201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerry Menikoff, M.D., J.D., Director, Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), or Julia Gorey, J.D., Executive Director, SACHRP; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 200, Rockville, Maryland 20852; 240-453-8141; fax: 240-453-6909; e-mail address: Julia.Gorey@hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 217a, Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, SACHRP was established to provide expert advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Assistant Secretary for Health on issues and topics pertaining to or associated with the protection of human research subjects.

Both days of this meeting will be devoted to SACHRP discussion of the recent Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM), *Human Subjects Research Protections: Enhancing Protections for Research Subjects and Reducing Burden, Delay, and Ambiguity for Investigators*, published in the July 26 **Federal Register**. The meeting will open October 4 with remarks from SACHRP Chair Dr. Barbara Bierer and OHRP Director Dr. Jerry Menikoff, followed by presentation of joint recommendations on the ANPRM from the Subpart A Subcommittee (SAS) and the Subcommittee on Harmonization (SOH).

SAS is charged with developing recommendations for consideration by SACHRP regarding the application of subpart A of 45 CFR part 46 in the current research environment; this

subcommittee was established by SACHRP in October 2006. SOH was established by SACHRP at its July 2009 meeting, and is charged with identifying and prioritizing areas in which regulations and/or guidelines for human subjects research adopted by various agencies or offices within HHS would benefit from harmonization, consistency, clarity, simplification and/or coordination.

Public Comment will be heard on both days.

Public attendance at the meeting is limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend the meeting and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the designated contact persons. Members of the public will have the opportunity to provide comments on both days of the meeting. Public comment will be limited to five minutes per speaker. Any members of the public who wish to have printed materials distributed to SACHRP members for this scheduled meeting should submit materials to the Executive Director, SACHRP, prior to the close of business September 30, 2011.

Dated: September 13, 2011.

Jerry Menikoff,

Director, Office for Human Research Protections, Executive Secretary, Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Meeting of the Advisory Group on Prevention, Health Promotion, and Integrative and Public Health

AGENCY: Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of the Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given that a meeting is scheduled to be held for the Advisory Group on Prevention, Health Promotion, and Integrative and Public Health (the "Advisory Group"). The meeting will be open to the public. Information about the Advisory Group can be obtained by accessing the following Web site: <http://www.healthcare.gov/center/councils/nphpphc/index.html>.

DATES: The meeting will be held on October 3-4, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Will be announced on the Web site: <http://www.healthcare.gov/center/councils/nphpphc/index.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Office of the Surgeon General, 200 Independence Ave., SW.; Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Room 701H; Washington, DC 20001; 202-205-9517; prevention.council@hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 10, 2010, the President issued Executive Order 13544 to comply with the statutes under Section 4001 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148. This legislation mandated that the Advisory Group was to be established within the Department of Health and Human Services. The charter for the Advisory Group was established by the Secretary of Health and Human Services on June 23, 2010; the charter was filed with the appropriate Congressional committees and Library of Congress on June 24, 2010. The Advisory Group has been established as a non-discretionary Federal advisory committee.

The Advisory Group has been established to provide recommendations and advice to the National Prevention, Health Promotion and Public Health Council (the "Council"). The Advisory Group shall provide assistance to the Council in carrying out its mission.

The Advisory Group membership shall consist of not more than 25 non-Federal members to be appointed by the President. The membership shall include a diverse group of licensed health professionals, including integrative health practitioners who have expertise in (1) worksite health promotion; (2) community services, including community health centers; (3) preventive medicine; (4) health coaching; (5) public health education; (6) geriatrics; and (7) rehabilitation medicine. There are currently 16 members of the Advisory Group appointed by the President. This will be the third meeting of the Advisory Group.

Public attendance at the meeting is limited to the space available. Members of the public who wish to attend must register by 12 p.m. EST September 26, 2011. Individuals should register for public attendance at prevention.council@hhs.gov by providing your full name and affiliation. Individuals who plan to attend the meeting and need special assistance and/or accommodations, *i.e.*, sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the designated point of contact

for the Advisory Group. The public will have the opportunity to provide comments to the Advisory Group on October 3, 2011; public comment will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker. Registration through the designated contact for the public comment session is also required. Any member of the public who wishes to have printed materials distributed to the Advisory Group for this scheduled meeting should submit material to the designated point of contact no later than 12 p.m. EST September 26, 2011.

Dated: September 8, 2011.

Corinne M. Graffunder,

Acting Designated Federal Officer, Advisory Group on Prevention, Health Promotion, and Integrative and Public Health Office of the Surgeon General.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Privacy Act of 1974; Report of a New System of Records

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice to establish a new system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, CMS is establishing a new system of records to support its shared savings programs, the first of which are the Medicare Shared Savings Program and Pioneer ACO Model (collectively referred to as the ACO program). The ACO program implements recent health care reform provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), amending the Social Security Act (the Act). The system of records will contain personally identifiable information (PII) about certain individuals who participate in, or whose PII is used to determine eligibility of an Accountable Care Organization (ACO) to participate in, a shared savings program; *i.e.*, Medicare fee-for-service (FFS) beneficiaries, sole proprietor health care ACO participants and ACO suppliers/providers, key leaders and managers of accountable care organizations (ACOs), and contact persons for ACOs. The program and the system of records are more thoroughly described in the Supplementary Information section and System of Records Notice (SORN), below.