

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, April 13, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225) to engage *de novo*, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than May 3, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Tracy Basinger, Director, Regional and Community Bank Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. *Western Alliance Bancorporation*, Las Vegas, Nevada; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Miller/Russell & Associates, Phoenix, Arizona, and thereby acting as an investment advisor pursuant to section 225.28(b)(6)(i) of Regulation Y.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Notice of Meetings

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act as amended (5 U.S.C., appendix 2), the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) announces meetings of scientific peer review groups. The subcommittees listed below are part of the Agency's Health Services Research Initial Review Group Committee.

The subcommittee meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, section 10(d) of 5 U.S.C., appendix 2 and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6). Grant applications are to be reviewed and discussed at these meetings. These discussions are likely to involve information concerning individuals associated with the application, including assessments of their personal qualifications to conduct their proposed projects. This information is exempt from mandatory disclosure under the above-cited statutes.

1. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Care Research Training.

Date: May 20-21, 2004 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. on yMay 20 and closed for remainder of the meeting).

2. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Research Dissemination and Implementation.

Date: June 17-18, 2004 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. on June 17 and closed for remainder of the meeting).

3. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Systems Research.

Date: June 17-18, 2004 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8-15 a.m. on June 17 and closed for remainder of the meeting).

4. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Care Quality and Effectiveness Research.

Date: June 24-25, 2004 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. on June 24 and closed for remainder of the meeting).

5. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Care Technology and Decision Sciences.

Date: June 24-25, 2004 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. on June 24 and closed for remainder of the meeting).

All the meetings above will take place at: AHRQ, John Eisenberg Building, 540 Gaither Road, Conference Center, Rockville, Maryland 20850.

Contact Person: Anyone wishing to obtain a roster of members, agenda or minutes of the nonconfidential portions of the meetings should contact Mrs. Bonnie Campbell, Committee Management Officer, Office of Extramural Research, Education and Priority Populations, AHRQ, 540 Gaither Road, Suite 2000, Rockville, Maryland 20850, Telephone (301) 427-1554. Agenda items for these meetings are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Dated: April 9, 2004.

Carolyn M. Clancy,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer on (404) 498-1210.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Send comments to Sandra Gambescia, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-E11, Atlanta, GA 30333. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

Accommodation of Hearing-Impaired Workers—New—National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background

CDC, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health mission is to promote safety and health at work for all people through research and prevention. This study will evaluate the effectiveness of an evaluation and intervention protocol that can be used to accommodate the special needs of

noise-exposed, hearing-impaired workers so that they can continue to perform their jobs safely while preventing additional hearing loss. Three General Motors (GM) manufacturing plants have agreed to participate in the field-testing phase of this project as part of the Memorandum of Understanding between NIOSH, the General Motors Corporation and the International Union, United Automotive, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America (UAW) which was signed on October 23, 2000. Beginning in 2002 and continuing into 2003, the field study proposal was developed in consultation with representatives from GM and the UAW from each of the three plants. The field

study is scheduled to begin during 2004 and to conclude during 2005.

One hundred noise-exposed, hearing-impaired workers will be enrolled in the study. Participants will complete the necessary release of information forms, receive a clinical hearing evaluation and case history interview by a certified audiologist to identify the type of hearing protection most appropriate for them, and be provided with this protector for use in their actual job. As part of the impact and evaluation component of this project, each study participant will fill out a 36-item pre-intervention Hearing Protection Device (HPD) Questionnaire at the time he or she enrolls in the study. The HPD Questionnaire is an expansion of a

previously approved HPD questionnaire (OMB NO. 0920-0552) which was developed in 1999 by NIOSH researchers. The post-intervention HPD Questionnaire will be mailed to each participant along with the 7-item Post-Intervention Questionnaire following a one-year trial with the study HPD. NIOSH researchers will use this information to assess the success of the evaluation and HPD selection protocol, and make recommendations to hearing health professionals and hearing conservation program managers, regarding the auditory management of noise-exposed, hearing-impaired workers. This request is for 2 years. There is no cost to respondents.

Respondents	No. of respondents	No. of responses/ respondents	Avg. burden/ response (in hrs)	Total burden hours
Release of Information (GM to NIOSH)	100	1	5/60	8
Release of Information (Clinic to NIOSH)	100	1	5/60	8
Contact Information Card	100	1	2/60	3
HPD Questionnaire (pre-intervention)	100	1	15/60	25
HPD Questionnaire (post-intervention)	100	1	15/60	25
Case History	100	1	10/60	17
Telephone Follow-Up	100	6	7/60	70
Post-Intervention Questionnaire	100	1	10/60	17
Total				173

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Diane Allen,

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

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Proposed Project

Integrating HIV and Other Prevention Services into Reproductive Health and Other Community Settings On-Line Performance Reporting System—New—National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background

Integrating HIV and Other Prevention Services into Reproductive Health and Other Community Settings is a training project of CDC, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, the grantees, and their ten family planning regional training centers. The grantees must submit project reports twice a year (each of whom corresponds to one of the ten federal public health regions) on their training-centered intervention activities. CDC guidelines also obligate grantees under cooperative agreements to provide performance reporting. To facilitate grantee compliance with performance reporting requirements, a secure online performance reporting system has been designed to capture training activity information—an indicator of consistent and measurable project progress. Each grantee enters and edits their own training activity data and generates project evaluation documents and semi-annual reports on the Internet. CDC will use the reported data to assess project progress towards achieving:

- Measurable information about grantees' prevention training activities.
- Prevention training needs, complexity, diversity, and availability.