

educate women about improving their physical and mental health and preventing disease. With the 2012 theme "It's Your Time," OWH will focus on encouraging women to make their health a top priority and take simple steps for a longer, healthier, and happier life. For more information about National Women's Health Week, please visit <http://www.womenshealth.gov/whw>.

Dated: March 9, 2012.

**Nancy C. Lee,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health—Women's Health.*

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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 and the agenda for this meeting can be obtained by accessing the following Web site: <http://www.healthcare.gov/prevention/nphpphc/advisorygrp/index.html>.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on April 11-12, 2012. Exact start and end times will be published closer to the meeting date at: <http://www.healthcare.gov/prevention/nphpphc/advisorygrp/index.html>.

**ADDRESSES:** 200 Independence Ave. SW.; Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Room 800; Washington, DC 20201.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Office of the Surgeon General, 200 Independence Ave. SW.; Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Room 701H; Washington, DC 20201; 202-205-9517; [prevention.council@hhs.gov](mailto: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 22 members of the Advisory Group appointed by the President. This will be the fifth 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 April 2, 2012. Individuals should register for public attendance at [prevention.council@hhs.gov](mailto: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 indicate so when they register. The public will have the opportunity to provide comments to the Advisory Group on April 12, 2012; 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 April 2, 2012.

Dated: February 29, 2012.

**Corinne M. Graffunder,**

*Alternate 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

[CMS-3261-N]

### Medicare Program; Meeting of the Medicare Evidence Development and Coverage Advisory Committee—May 16, 2012

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces that a public meeting of the Medicare Evidence Development & Coverage Advisory Committee (MEDCAC) ("Committee") will be held on Wednesday, May 16, 2012. The Committee generally provides advice and recommendations concerning the adequacy of scientific evidence needed to determine whether certain medical items and services can be covered under the Medicare statute. This meeting will focus on the desirable characteristics of evidence appropriate for Coverage with Evidence Development. This meeting is open to the public in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)).

**DATES:** *Meeting Date:* The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 16, 2012 from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Daylight Saving Time (DST).

*Deadline for Submission of Written Comments:* Written comments must be received at the address specified in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice by 5 p.m. DST, Monday, April 16, 2012. Once submitted, all comments are final.

*Deadlines for Speaker Registration and Presentation Materials:* The deadline to register to be a speaker and to submit PowerPoint presentation materials and writings that will be used in support of an oral presentation is 5 p.m., DST on Monday, April 16, 2012. Speakers may register by phone or via email by contacting the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice. Presentation materials must be received at the address specified in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**Deadline for All Other Attendees Registration:** Individuals may register online at <http://www.cms.gov/apps/events/upcomingevents.asp?strOrderBy=1&type=3> or by phone by contacting the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice by 5 p.m. DST, Friday, May 11, 2012.

We will be broadcasting the meeting live via Webcast at <http://www.cms.gov/live/>.

**Deadline for Submitting a Request for Special Accommodations:** Persons attending the meeting who are hearing or visually impaired, or have a condition that requires special assistance or accommodations, are asked to contact the Executive Secretary as specified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice no later than 5 p.m., DST Friday, May 4, 2012.

**ADDRESSES: Meeting Location:** The meeting will be held in the main auditorium of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244.

**Submission of Presentations and Comments:** Presentation materials and written comments that will be presented at the meeting must be submitted via email to [MedCACpresentations@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:MedCACpresentations@cms.hhs.gov) or by regular mail to the contact listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice by the date specified in the **DATES** section of this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Maria Ellis, Executive Secretary for MEDCAC, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Coverage and Analysis Group, S3-02-01, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244 or contact Ms. Ellis by phone (410-786-0309) or via email at [Maria.Ellis@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Maria.Ellis@cms.hhs.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Background**

MEDCAC, formerly known as the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee (MCAC), provides advice and recommendations to CMS regarding clinical issues. (For more information on MCAC, see the December 14, 1998 **Federal Register** (63 FR 68780). This notice announces the Wednesday, May 16, 2012, public meeting of the Committee. During this meeting, the Committee will discuss desirable characteristics of evidence appropriate for Coverage with Evidence Development. Background information about this topic, including panel materials, is available at <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/indexes/medcac-meetings-index.aspx?bc=BAAAAAAAAAAAA&>. We will no longer be providing paper copies of the handouts for the meeting. Electronic copies of all the meeting materials will be on the CMS Web site no later than 2 business days before the meeting. We encourage the participation of appropriate organizations with expertise in the desirable characteristics of evidence appropriate for Coverage with Evidence Development.

**II. Meeting Format**

This meeting is open to the public. The Committee will hear oral presentations from the public for approximately 45 minutes. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. If the number of registrants requesting to speak is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the scheduled open public hearing session, we may conduct a lottery to determine the speakers for the scheduled open public hearing session. The contact person will notify interested persons regarding their request to speak by April 19, 2012. Your comments should focus on issues specific to the list of topics that we have proposed to the Committee. The list of research topics to be discussed at the meeting will be available on the following Web site prior to the meeting: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/indexes/medcac-meetings-index.aspx?bc=BAAAAAAAAAAAA&>. We require that you declare at the meeting whether you have any financial involvement with manufacturers (or their competitors) of any items or services being discussed.

##### **III. Registration Instructions**

The Committee will deliberate openly on the topics under consideration. Interested persons may observe the deliberations, but the Committee will not hear further comments during this time except at the request of the chairperson. The Committee will also allow a 15-minute unscheduled open public session for any attendee to address issues specific to the topics under consideration. At the conclusion of the day, the members will vote and the Committee will make its recommendation(s) to CMS.

**IV. Security, Building, and Parking Guidelines**

This meeting will be held in a Federal government building; therefore, Federal security measures are applicable. We recommend that confirmed registrants arrive reasonably early, but no earlier than 45 minutes prior to the start of the meeting, to allow additional time to clear security. Security measures include the following:

- Presentation of government-issued photographic identification to the Federal Protective Service or Guard Service personnel.
- Inspection of vehicle's interior and exterior (this includes engine and trunk inspection) at the entrance to the grounds. Parking permits and instructions will be issued after the vehicle inspection.
- Inspection, via metal detector or other applicable means of all persons brought entering the building. We note that all items brought into CMS, whether personal or for the purpose of presentation or to support a presentation, are subject to inspection. We cannot assume responsibility for coordinating the receipt, transfer, transport, storage, set-up, safety, or timely arrival of any personal belongings or items used for presentation or to support a presentation.

**Note:** Individuals who are not registered in advance will not be permitted to enter the building and will be unable to attend the meeting. The public may not enter the building earlier than 45 minutes prior to the convening of the meeting. All visitors must be escorted in areas other than the lower and first floor levels in the Central Building.

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a).

Dated: *March 8, 2012.*

**Patrick Conway,**

*CMS Chief Medical Officer and Director, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.*

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