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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Solicitation for Nominations for New Primary and Secondary Public Health Topics To Be Considered for Review by the Task Force on Community Preventive Services

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Solicit for new topic nominations.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) invites individuals and organizations to nominate public health topic areas or related population-oriented interventions (i.e., interventions delivered to groups of people in communities or healthcare systems) for the Task Force on Community Preventive Services (Task Force) to consider for review. Topics that have been recently reviewed by the Task Force or are currently under review are listed below in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

The Task Force is an independent panel of experts that makes evidence-based recommendations regarding use of population-based interventions, which are selected from broad topic areas. Recommendations are based on the evidence gathered in rigorous and systematic scientific reviews of published studies conducted by Guide to Community Preventive Services (Community Guide) scientific teams. The findings from reviews are published in peer-reviewed journals and made available through the Community Guide

Web site (<http://thecommunityguide.org>). Community Guide topics coordinate with Healthy People 2010 objectives; address topics related to the large preventable burden of disease; provide guidance on ways to reduce disease, injury, and impairment; and address social challenges.

Topics can be nominated by individuals or organizations. The Task Force will consider nominations and prioritize topics for review using the following criteria: Public health importance (burden of disease, injury, impairment, or exposure); preventability (amount of burden that could realistically be reduced given adequate resources); relationship to other public health initiatives; and usefulness of the package of topics selected and level of current research and intervention activity in the public and private sectors. The Task Force will also prioritize topics for which there are gaps in the evidence and the potential to significantly improve public health decisionmaking. Nominations can be for new topics or topics previously reviewed by the Task Force.

*Basic Topic Nomination Requirements:* Nominations must be no more than 250 words long and must include the following information. (A separate appendix, not included in the word count, can contain references and supporting documents.)

1. Name of topic or intervention.
2. Rationale for consideration by the Task Force, to include as appropriate:
  - a. Justification that topic area addresses risk behaviors related to the largest burden of disease; provides guidance on ways to reduce disease, injury, and impairment; or addresses environmental and social challenges.
  - b. Description of public health importance (burden of disease, injury, impairment, or exposure). Citations and supporting documents are recommended.
  - c. Public health relevance (amount of burden that could realistically be reduced given adequate resources).
  - d. Summary of new evidence, if any, that has potential to affect the Task Force's recommendation on a previously reviewed topic. Please refer to <http://thecommunityguide.org> for current Task Force recommendations. Citations and supporting documents are recommended.
  - e. In topic areas that have already been addressed or identified as high priority by the Task Force, important interventions that have not yet been addressed or where additional new information may lead to updated conclusions can be identified. Please refer to <http://thecommunityguide.org>

for existing Task Force recommendations. Citations and supporting documents are recommended.

**DATES:** Topic nominations should be submitted by June 23, 2006, to be considered for 2006–2008. CDC will not reply to submissions but will consider all topic nominations during the selection process. If a topic is selected for review by the Task Force, the nominator will be notified by CDC.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit nominations to: Detrice Sherman, MPH, ATTN: Task Force Topic Nominations, National Center for Health Marketing, Community Guide, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 4770 Buford Highway, MS K-95, Atlanta, GA 30341, Fax: 404-498-0979, E-mail: [dsherman@cdc.gov](mailto:dsherman@cdc.gov). For further information please contact: Detrice Sherman at [dsherman@cdc.gov](mailto:dsherman@cdc.gov) or Peter Briss at [pbriss@cdc.gov](mailto:pbriss@cdc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

The scientific literature on specific health problems can be large, inconsistent, uneven in quality, or inaccessible. Through rigorous and systematic scientific reviews of published studies, the Guide to Community Preventive Services (Community Guide) serves as a filter for this information—using systematic review methods to summarize what is known about the effectiveness, economic efficiency, and feasibility of interventions to promote community health and prevent disease. The Task Force on Community Preventive Services makes recommendations for the use of various interventions based on the evidence gathered in these reviews. The findings from the reviews are published in peer-reviewed journals and also made available on the Internet at <http://www.thecommunityguide.org>.

The Task Force is an independent panel of experts that makes evidence-based recommendations regarding population-based interventions. The group was convened in 1996 by the Department of Health and Human Services to provide leadership in the evaluation of community, population, and healthcare system strategies to address a variety of public health and health promotion topics such as physical activity. The Task Force's membership is multi-disciplinary, and includes perspectives representative of state and local health departments, managed care, academia, behavioral and social sciences, mental health, epidemiology, quantitative policy analysis, decision

and cost-effectiveness analysis, information systems, primary care, and management and policy.

#### Solicitation of Topic Nominations

The purpose of this solicitation for new topics by CDC and the Task Force is to create a balanced portfolio of relevant topics for the current Task Force library. The current library is based on reviews and recommendations across a broad range of high burden, high interest topic areas: Changing health risk behaviors (adolescent health, physical activity, tobacco product use, nutrition, sexual behavior, alcohol abuse and misuse, substance abuse); addressing specific health conditions (cancer, diabetes, mental health, motor vehicle occupant injury, obesity, oral health, vaccine-preventable diseases, and violence prevention); and addressing the environment (improving health through changing the social environment, worksite health promotion). Selection of suggested topics will be made on the basis of qualifications of nominations as outlined above (see basic topic nomination requirements) and the current expertise of the Task Force.

#### *Topics That Have Been Reviewed:*

Diabetes, Informed Decision Making for Cancer Screening, Motor Vehicle Occupant Injury, Oral Health, Physical Activity, Skin Cancer Prevention, Social Environment, Tobacco, Vaccine Coverage, Vaccine Coverage in Adults at High Risk.

#### *Topics Currently Under Review:*

Adolescent Health, Alcohol, Cancer Screening (Breast, Cervical, and Colorectal), Improving Pregnancy Outcomes, Mental Health, Nutrition, Obesity, Sexual Behavior, Violence Prevention, Worksite Health Promotion.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### **Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panels (SEP): HIV IV—Rapid Test Algorithms for Diagnosis of HIV Infection and Improved Linkage to Care, Program Announcement Number (PA) PS06-002.**

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 meeting:

*Name:* Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel (SEP): HIV IV—Rapid Test Algorithms for Diagnosis of HIV Infection and Improved Linkage to Care, PA PS06-002.

*Time and Date:* 12 p.m.–5 p.m., June 23, 2006 (Closed).

*Place:* Teleconference.

*Status:* The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 552b(c)(4) and (6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, CDC, pursuant to Public Law 92-463.

*Matters to be Discussed:* The meeting will include the review, discussion, and evaluation of applications received in response to “HIV IV—Rapid Test Algorithms for Diagnosis of HIV Infection and Improved Linkage to Care, PA PS06-002.”

*For Further Information Contact:* Jim Newhall, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Office of Public Health Research, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop D72, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone 404-639-4641.

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 CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### **Vaccine Information Statement for Hepatitis A Vaccine; Revised Instructions for Use of Vaccine Information Statements**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (NCVIA) (42 U.S.C. § 300aa-26), the CDC must develop vaccine information materials that all health care providers are required to give to patients/parents prior to administration of specific vaccines. On July 28, 2005, CDC published a notice in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 43694) seeking public comments on proposed new vaccine information materials for hepatitis A vaccine. Following review of the comments submitted and consultation as required under the law, CDC has finalized the hepatitis A vaccine information materials. The final hepatitis A materials are contained in this notice. Also noted are edits to the instructions for use of vaccine information materials.

**DATES:** Beginning no later than July 1, 2006, each health care provider who administers any hepatitis A vaccine to any child or adult in the United States shall provide copies of the relevant vaccine information materials contained in this notice, dated March 21, 2006, in conformance with the April 7, 2006 CDC Instructions for the Use of Vaccine Information Statements.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Anne Schuchat, M.D., Director, National Immunization Program, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Mailstop E-05, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone (404) 639-8200.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99-660), as amended by section 708 of Public Law 103-183, added section 2126 to the Public Health Service Act. Section 2126, codified at 42 U.S.C. 300aa-26, requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to develop and disseminate vaccine information materials for distribution by all health care providers in the United States to any patient (or to the parent or legal representative in the case of a child) receiving vaccines covered under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program.