

357, the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004. Section 712 of Pub. L. 108-357 authorized a demonstration program for the prevention and treatment of Sickle Cell Disease. The legislation was enacted to (1) create an optional medical assistance program for individuals with Sickle Cell Diseases for treatment and education, genetic counseling and other services to prevent mortality and decrease morbidity from Sickle Cell Disease, and (2) create a demonstration program, the SCDTDP, under HRSA. The SCDTDP provides grants to federally-qualified and nonprofit health care providers to establish geographically distributed regional networks that will work with comprehensive Sickle Cell Disease centers and community-based support

organizations to provide coordinated, comprehensive, culturally competent, and family-centered care to families with Sickle Cell Disease. In fiscal year 2006, HRSA awarded four, 4-year grants to the Illinois Sickle Cell Association Network, Alabama Network for Sickle Cell Care, Access, Prevention, and Education, Carolina Partnership for Sickle Cell Treatment Continuum of Care, and the Cincinnati Sickle Cell Network.

Under the authorizing legislation, a National Coordinating Center (NCC) was established to (1) collect, coordinate, monitor, and distribute data, best practices and findings regarding the activities of the demonstration program; (2) identify a model protocol for eligible entities with respect to the prevention

and treatment of Sickle Cell Disease; (3) identify educational materials regarding the prevention and treatment of Sickle Cell Disease; and (4) prepare a final report on the efficacy of the demonstration program based on evaluation findings.

As part of the evaluation, pre- and post-utilization and satisfaction data and quality of life assessments will be collected from the demonstration clients during various phases of their participation. These data will be collected through medical record abstractions and self-report using hard copy questionnaires and submitted to the NCC for processing and analysis. The total burden estimate per participant is shown below:

Type of respondent	Form name	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Hours per response	Total burden hours
Sickle Cell Disease clients or caregivers.	Utilization Questionnaire (pre-demonstration).	400	1	.75 .....	300 hours.
Sickle Cell Disease clients or caregivers.	Utilization Questionnaire (post-demonstration).	400	1	.50 hours .....	200 hours.
Sickle Cell Disease clients or caregivers.	SF-36 Health Survey for adults over 18 years of age; PedsQL for children/adolescents 18 years or younger (Quality of Life).	400	2	.25 hours .....	200 hours.
Sickle Cell Disease clients or caregivers.	The Medical Home Family Index (Health Care Satisfaction).	400	2	.25 hours .....	200 hours.

The total burden is 900 hours or 2.25 hours per participant. This would be the maximum level of burden since some of the demonstration networks will be able to abstract medical records for some of the data collected on the Utilization Questionnaire.

Send comments to Susan G. Queen, Ph.D., HRSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 10-33, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Health Resources and Services Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Periodically, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) publishes abstracts of information collection requests under review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of the clearance requests submitted to OMB for review, call the HRSA Reports Clearance Office on (301) 443-1129.

The following request has been submitted to OMB for review under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995:

#### **Proposed Project: Application for the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Scholarship Program (OMB No. 0915-0146): Reinstatement With Change**

The National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Scholarship Program's mission is to ensure the geographic distribution

of physicians and other health practitioners in the United States. Under this program, health professions students are offered scholarships in return for service in a federally designated Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA). The Scholarship Program provides the NHSC with the health professionals it requires to carry out its mission of providing primary health care to HPSA populations in areas of greatest need. Students are supported who are well qualified to participate in the NHSC Scholarship Program and who want to assist the NHSC in its mission, both during and after their period of obligated service.

The application form is being revised to streamline the application process and collect the most relevant information necessary to make determinations of award. Scholars are selected for these competitive awards based on the information provided in the application and supporting documentation. Awards are made to applicants who demonstrate a high potential for providing quality primary health care services.

The estimated response burden is as follows:

Form	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Total responses	Hours per response	Total burden hours
Application .....	1800	1	1800	3	5,400
Total .....	1800	.....	1800	.....	5,400

Written comments and recommendations concerning the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of this notice to the desk officer for HRSA, either by e-mail to [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov) or by fax to 202-395-6974. Please direct all correspondence to the "attention of the desk officer for HRSA."

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Health Resources and Services Administration

#### Advisory Committee on Infant Mortality; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), notice is hereby given of the following meeting:

*Name:* Advisory Committee on Infant Mortality (ACIM).

*Dates and Times:* January 23, 2008, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. January 24, 2008, 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.

*Place:* Westin Washington, DC City Center, 1400 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005. (202) 429-1700.

*Status:* The meeting is open to the public with attendance limited to space availability.

*Purpose:* The Committee provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services on the following: Department of Health and Human Services' programs that focus on reducing infant mortality and improving the health status of pregnant women and infants; and factors affecting the continuum of care with respect to maternal and child health care. It includes outcomes following childbirth; strategies to coordinate the variety of Federal, State, local and private programs and efforts that are designed to deal with the health and social problems impacting on infant mortality; and the implementation of the Healthy Start Program and *Healthy People 2010* infant mortality objectives.

*Agenda:* Topics that will be discussed include the following: HRSA Update, MCHB Update, Healthy Start National Evaluation Update, presentations from a rural Healthy Start project and an urban Healthy Start project, related causes of infant mortality including accidents in the post-neonatal period, and pre-conceptional care. Proposed agenda items are subject to change as priorities indicate.

Time will be provided for public comments limited to five minutes each; comments are to be submitted no later than January 2, 2008.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anyone requiring information regarding the Committee should contact Peter C. van Dyck, M.D., M.P.H., Executive Secretary, ACIM, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Room 18-05, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: (301) 443-2170.

Individuals who are submitting public comments or who have questions regarding the meeting and location should contact David S. de la Cruz, Ph.D., M.P.H., HRSA, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, telephone: (301) 443-6332, e-mail:

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Notice of Meeting: Secretary's Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and Society

Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of the fifteenth meeting of the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and Society (SACGHS), U.S. Public Health Service. The meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2008 and 8 a.m. to approximately 5 p.m. on Wednesday, February 13, 2008, at the Hubert H. Humphrey Building—200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201.

The meeting will be open to the public with attendance limited to space available. The meeting also will be Web cast.

The main agenda item will involve deliberations on the oversight of genetic testing, including an overview of public comments received on the Committee's draft report *U.S. System of Oversight of Genetic Testing: A Response to the Charge of the Secretary of HHS* and the formulation of final recommendations to the Secretary.

As always, the Committee welcomes hearing from anyone wishing to provide public comment on any issue related to genetics, health and society. Individuals who would like to provide public comment should notify the SACGHS Executive Secretary, Ms. Sarah Carr, by telephone at 301-496-9838 or e-mail at [carrs@od.nih.gov](mailto:carrs@od.nih.gov). The SACGHS office is located at 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20892. Anyone planning to attend the meeting who is in need of special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, is also asked to contact the Executive Secretary.

Under authority of 42 U.S.C. 217a, section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, the Department of Health and Human Services established SACGHS to serve as a public forum for deliberations on the broad range of human health and societal issues raised by the development and use of genetic and genomic technologies and, as warranted, to provide advice on these issues. The draft meeting agenda and other information about SACGHS, including information about access to the Web cast, will be available at the following Web site: <http://www4.od.nih.gov/oba/sacghs.htm>.

Dated: December 21, 2007.

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