

to the facility's plan of correction in a timely manner.

- CHAP's capacity to provide us with electronic data and reports necessary for effective validation and assessment of the organization's survey process.
- The adequacy of CHAP's staff and other resources, and its financial viability.
- CHAP's capacity to adequately fund required surveys.
- CHAP's policies with respect to whether surveys are announced or unannounced, to assure that surveys are unannounced.
- CHAP's agreement to provide us with a copy of the most current accreditation survey together with any other information related to the survey as we may require (including corrective action plans).

#### IV. Response to Public Comments and Notice Upon Completion of Evaluation

Because of the large number of public comments we normally receive on **Federal Register** documents, we are not able to acknowledge or respond to them individually. We will consider all comments we receive by the date and time specified in the **DATES** section of this preamble, and, when we proceed with a subsequent document, we will respond to the comments in the preamble to that document.

Upon completion of our evaluation, including evaluation of comments received as a result of this notice, we will publish a final notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the result of our evaluation.

#### V. Collection of Information Requirements

This document does not impose information collection and recordkeeping requirements. Consequently, it need not be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 35).

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.778, Medical Assistance Program; No. 93.773 Medicare—Hospital Insurance Program; and No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

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**Charlene Frizzera,**

*Acting Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS-1407-N]

#### Medicare Program; Public Meeting in Calendar Year 2009 for New Clinical Laboratory Tests Payment Determinations

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a public meeting to receive comments and recommendations (and data on which recommendations are based) from the public on the appropriate basis for establishing payment amounts for a specified list of new Clinical Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes for clinical laboratory tests in calendar year (CY) 2010. The meeting provides a forum for interested parties to make oral presentations and submit written comments on the new codes that will be included in Medicare's Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule for CY 2010, which will be effective on January 1, 2010. The development of the codes for clinical laboratory tests is largely performed by the CPT Editorial Panel and will not be further discussed at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) meeting.

**DATES:** *Meeting Date:* The public meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 14, 2009 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Eastern Standard Time (E.S.T.).

*Deadline for Registration of Presenters:* All presenters for the public meeting must register by July 9, 2009.

*Deadline for Submitting Requests for Special Accommodations:* Requests for special accommodations must be received no later than 5 p.m., E.S.T. on July 9, 2009, the final day of registration.

*Deadline for Submission of Written Comments:* Interested parties may submit written comments on the proposed payment determinations by September 18, 2009, to the address specified in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held in the main auditorium of the central building of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Glenn McQuirk, (410) 786-5723.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### I. Background

Section 531(b) of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000 (BIPA) (Pub. L. 106-554) required the Secretary to establish procedures for coding and payment determinations for new clinical diagnostic laboratory tests under Part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act (the Act) that permit public consultation in a manner consistent with the procedures established for implementing coding modifications for International Classification of Diseases (ICD-9-CM). The procedures and public meeting announced in this notice for new clinical laboratory tests are in accordance with the procedures published on November 23, 2001 in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 58743) to implement section 531(b) of BIPA.

Section 942(b) of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA) (Pub. L. 108-173) added section 1833(h)(8)(B) of the Act, which sets forth the methods for determining payment bases for new tests. Section 1833(h)(8)(A) of the Act states that new tests are any clinical diagnostic laboratory tests with respect to which a new or substantially revised health care common procedures code (HCPCS) is assigned on or after January 1, 2005 (hereinafter referred to as, "new test" or "new clinical laboratory test"). Pertinent to this notice, section 1833(h)(8)(B)(i) and (ii) of the Act requires the Secretary to make available to the public a list that includes new tests for which establishment of a payment amount is being considered for a year and, on the same day that the list is made available, to publish in the **Federal Register** a notice of a meeting to receive comments and recommendations (and data on which recommendations are based) from the public on the appropriate basis for establishing payment amounts for new tests. Section 1833(h)(8)(B)(iii) of the Act requires that we convene a public meeting not less than 30 days after publication of the notice in the **Federal Register**. These requirements are codified at 42 CFR part 414, subpart G.

A newly created Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code can either represent a refinement or modification of existing test methods, or a substantially new test method. The preliminary list of newly created CPT codes for calendar year (CY) 2010 will be published on our Web site at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ClinicalLabFeeSched> when this notice is published in the **Federal Register**.

Two methods are used to establish payment amounts for new tests

included in the CY 2010 Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule. The first method, called cross-walking, is used when a new test is determined to be comparable to an existing test, multiple existing test codes, or a portion of an existing test code. The new test code is then assigned the related existing local fee schedule amounts and the related existing national limitation amount. Payment for the new test is made at the lesser of the local fee schedule amount or the national limitation amount.

The second method, called gap-filling, is used when no comparable existing test is available. When using this method, instructions are provided to each Medicare carrier or Part A and Part B Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) to determine a payment amount for its geographic area(s) for use in the first year. These determinations are based on the following sources of information, if available: Charges for the test and routine discounts to charges; resources required to perform the test; payment amounts determined by other payers; and charges, payment amounts, and resources required for other tests that may be comparable or otherwise relevant. The carrier-specific amounts are used to establish a national limitation amount for the following years. For each new clinical laboratory test code, a determination must be made to either cross-walk or gap-fill.

## II. Format

This meeting is open to the public. The on-site check-in for visitors will be held from 8:30 a.m., E.S.T. to 9 a.m., E.S.T., followed by opening remarks. Registered persons from the public may discuss and recommend payment determinations for specific new test codes for the CY 2010 Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule.

Oral presentations must be brief and must be accompanied by three written copies. Presenters may also make copies available for approximately 50 meeting participants. Presenters should address the following:

- New test code(s) and descriptor.
- Test purpose and method.
- Costs.
- Charges.
- Make a recommendation with

rationale for one of two methods (cross-walking or gap-fill) for determining payment for new tests.

Additionally, the presenters should provide the data on which their recommendations are based. Presentations that do not address the above five items may be considered incomplete and may not be considered by CMS when making a payment determination. CMS may request

missing information following the meeting in order to prevent a recommendation from being considered incomplete.

A summary of the proposed new test codes and the payment recommendations that are presented during the public meeting will be posted on our Web site by early September 2009 and can be accessed at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ClinicalLabFeeSched>.

In addition, the summary will list other comments received by July 29, 2009 (15 days after the meeting). The summary will also display our proposed payment determinations, an explanation of the reasons for each determination, and the data on which the determinations are based. Interested parties may submit written comments on the proposed payment determinations by September 18, 2009, to the address specified in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. Final payment determinations will be posted on our Web site in October 2009. Each determination will include a rationale, data on which the determination is based, and responses to comments and suggestions received from the public.

After the final payment determinations have been posted on our Web site, the public may request reconsideration of the payment determinations as set forth in 42 CFR 414.509. See also (72 FR 66275 through 66280).

## III. Registration Instructions

The Division of Ambulatory Services in CMS is coordinating the public meeting registration. Beginning June 15, 2009, registration may be completed online at the following Web address: <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ClinicalLabFeeSched>. The following information must be submitted when registering:

- Name.
- Company name.
- Address.
- Telephone number(s).
- E-mail address(es).

When registering, individuals who want to make a presentation must also specify on which new clinical laboratory test code(s) they will be presenting comments. A confirmation will be sent upon receipt of the registration. Individuals must register by the date specified in the **DATES** section of this notice.

## IV. Security, Building, and Parking Guidelines

The meeting will be held in a Federal government building; therefore, Federal security measures are applicable. In

planning your arrival time, we recommend allowing additional time to clear security. It is suggested that you arrive at the CMS facility between 8:15 a.m. and 8:30 a.m., E.S.T. so that you will be able to arrive promptly at the meeting by 9 a.m., E.S.T. 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 8:15 a.m., E.S.T. (45 minutes before the convening of the meeting).

Security measures include the following:

- Presentation of government-issued photographic identification to the Federal Protective Service or Guard Service personnel. Persons without proper identification may be denied access to the building.
- Interior and exterior inspection of vehicles (this includes engine and trunk inspection) at the entrance to the grounds. Parking permits and instructions will be issued after the vehicle inspection.
- Passing through a metal detector and inspection of items brought into the building. We note that all items brought to CMS, whether personal or for the purpose of demonstration or to support a demonstration, 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 demonstration or to support a demonstration.

## V. Special Accommodations

Individuals attending the meeting who are hearing or visually impaired and have special requirements, or a condition that requires special assistance, should provide the information upon registering for the meeting. The deadline for registration is listed in the **DATES** section of this notice.

## VI. Collection of Information Requirements

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

**Subcommittee on Procedures Reviews, Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)**

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 for the aforementioned subcommittee:

*Time and Date:* 10 a.m.–5 p.m., June 9, 2009.

*Place:* Cincinnati Airport Marriott, 2395 Progress Drive, Hebron, Kentucky 41018. Telephone (859) 334-4611, Fax (859) 334-4619.

*Status:* Open to the public, but without a public oral comment period. To access by conference call dial the following information 1 (866) 659-0537, Participant Pass Code 9933701.

*Background:* The Advisory Board was established under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 to advise the President on a variety of policy and technical functions required to implement and effectively manage the new compensation program. Key functions of the Advisory Board include providing advice on the development of probability of causation guidelines that have been promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as a final rule; advice on methods of dose reconstruction which have also been promulgated by HHS as a final rule; advice on the scientific validity and quality of dose estimation and reconstruction efforts being performed for purposes of the compensation program; and advice on petitions to add classes of workers to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

In December 2000, the President delegated responsibility for funding, staffing, and operating the Advisory Board to HHS, which subsequently delegated this authority to CDC. NIOSH implements this responsibility for CDC. The charter was issued on August 3, 2001, renewed at appropriate intervals, and will expire on August 3, 2009.

*Purpose:* The Advisory Board is charged with (a) Providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the development of guidelines under Executive Order 13179; (b) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the scientific validity and quality of dose reconstruction efforts performed for this program; and (c) upon request by the

Secretary, HHS, advise the Secretary on whether there is a class of employees at any Department of Energy facility who were exposed to radiation but for whom it is not feasible to estimate their radiation dose, and whether there is reasonable likelihood that such radiation doses may have endangered the health of members of this class. The Subcommittee on Procedures Reviews was established to aid the Advisory Board in carrying out its duty to advise the Secretary, HHS, on dose reconstruction. It will be responsible for overseeing, tracking, and participating in the reviews of all procedures used in the dose reconstruction process by the NIOSH Office of Compensation Analysis and Support (OCAS) and its dose reconstruction contractor.

*Matters To Be Discussed:* The agenda for the Subcommittee meeting includes: a discussion of proposed new versions of the computer-assisted telephone interview scripts and procedures NIOSH uses to interview claimants at the outset of the dose reconstruction process; the disposition of site-specific procedures; and, a continuation of the comment-resolution process for other dose reconstruction procedures under review by the Subcommittee.

The agenda is subject to change as priorities dictate.

This meeting is open to the public, but without a public comment period. In the event an individual wishes to provide comments, written comments may be submitted. Any written comments received will be provided at the meeting and should be submitted to the contact person below in advance of the meeting.

*Contact Person for More Information:* Theodore Katz, Executive Secretary, NIOSH, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, Mailstop E-20, Atlanta GA 30333, Telephone (513) 533-6800, Toll Free 1 (800) CDC-INFO, E-mail [ocas@cdc.gov](mailto:ocas@cdc.gov).

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.

Dated: May 14, 2009.

**Elaine L. Baker,**

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

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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 Panel (SEP): Prevention of Health Risk Behaviors Among Youth With Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (U01), FOA DD09-004**

*Notice of Cancellation:* This notice was published in the **Federal Register** on April 30, 2009, Volume 74, Number 82, pages 19970-19971. The meeting originally scheduled to convene on May 15, 2009 has been cancelled. The meeting will be re-scheduled at a future date, to be announced.

*Contact Person for More Information:* Brenda Colley-Gilbert, Designated Federal Officer, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, NE., Mailstop K92, Atlanta, GA 30341, Telephone: (770) 488-6295. 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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**Elaine L. Baker,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services**

[CMS-7014-N]

**Medicare Program; Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education, July 8, 2009**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education (the Panel) in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The Panel advises and makes recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services on opportunities to enhance the effectiveness of consumer education