

Long-Term Care Awareness and Planning.

Abstract: The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) is requesting approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to conduct a survey of adults between the ages of 40 and 70 on long-term care awareness, how people plan for retirement and their preferences for long-term care financing options. Long-term care includes helping people with daily activities, such as bathing, dressing, taking medications, and preparing meals over a long period of time. Long-term care can be provided in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, adult day care programs, and individual homes. Most people with disabilities are elderly, but people of all ages may need long-term care (Kaye, Harrington, & LaPlante, 2010).

The goal of this project is to contribute to the knowledge base regarding how people plan for the possibility of needing long-term care and for retirement in general and assess their preferences about long-term care insurance. Information about long-term

care and retirement planning will be obtained from a large sample of individuals 40–70 years of age who are part of an ongoing Internet panel maintained by GfK Custom Research, LLC. Prior to the development of the survey instrument, a thorough review of the literature was conducted and conceptual framework prepared. A survey instrument was developed with contributions of a Technical Expert Panel (TEP), which provided guidance on the content and methodology of the survey instrument and comprised experts on survey methodology and long-term care and long-term care insurance. Part of the survey is a discrete choice experiment (DCE) designed to elicit respondent preferences on features of long-term care insurance. The survey was cognitively assessed and revised based on revised based on the results of the testing. GfK will administer the survey; RTI International will analyze the survey. Both GfK and RTI have experience doing similar work for HHS/ASPE and other government clients.

Need and Proposed Use of the Information: To determine how adults between the ages of 40 and 70 plan for retirement and their preferences for long-term care financing options.

Likely Respondents: Adults between the ages of 40 and 70

Burden Statement: Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide the information requested. This includes the time needed to review instructions, to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information, to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information, and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

TOTAL ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN—HOURS

Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden hours
Self-administered, Web-based questionnaire	15,000	1	0.75	11,250
Total	11,250

Office of the Secretary, OS specifically requests comments on (1) the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency’s functions, (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden, (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Solicitation for Applications From Individuals Interested in Being Appointed to the Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health.

ACTION: Notice.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 217a, section 222 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, as amended.

The Committee is governed by the provisions of Public Law 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH), within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment as a member of the

Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Advisory Committee (CFSAC). CFSAC provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of HHS, through the Assistant Secretary for Health (ASH), on a broad range of issues and topics related to myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome (ME/CFS). The appointments of several Committee members are scheduled to end during the 2014 calendar year. Nominations of qualified candidates are being sought to fill the positions that are scheduled to be vacated.

DATES: Applications for individuals to be considered for appointment to the Committee must be received no later than 5 p.m. EDT on October 28, 2013 at the address listed below.

ADDRESSES: All nominations should be mailed or delivered to Martha Duncan Bond, Alternate Designated Federal Officer, Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Advisory Committee, Office on Women’s Health, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services, 200

Independence Avenue SW., Room 719E, Washington, DC 20201. Nomination materials, including attachments, may be submitted electronically to cfsac@hhs.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Martha Duncan Bond, Alternate Designated Federal Officer, Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Advisory Committee, Office on Women's Health, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Ave. SW., Room 719E, Washington, DC 20201. Inquiries may also be made to cfsac@hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: CFSAC

was established on September 5, 2002. The purpose of the CFSAC is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of HHS, through the ASH, on issues related to ME/CFS. CFSAC advises and makes recommendations on a broad range of topics including: (1) The current state of knowledge and research; the relevant gaps in knowledge and research about the epidemiology, etiologies, biomarkers, and risk factors relating to ME/CFS; and potential opportunities in these areas; (2) impact and implications of current and proposed diagnostic and treatment methods for ME/CFS; (3) development and implementation of programs to inform the public, health care professionals, and the biomedical, academic, and research communities about ME/CFS advances; and (4) strategies to improve the quality of life of ME/CFS patients. Management and support services for Committee activities are provided by staff from the Office on Women's Health, which is a program office within the OASH. The CFSAC charter is available at <http://www.hhs.gov/advcomcfs/charter/index.html>.

Nominations: OASH is requesting nominations to fill CFSAC positions that are scheduled to be vacated during 2014. The Committee composition consists of seven scientists with demonstrated expertise in biomedical research applicable to ME/CFS, four individuals with demonstrated expertise in health care delivery, private health care services, insurance, or voluntary organizations concerned with the problems of individuals living with ME/CFS. The vacant positions are in the biomedical research, health care services, and delivery categories. Individuals selected for appointment to the Committee will serve as voting members. Individuals selected for appointment to the Committee can be invited to serve terms of up to four years. As Special Government

Employees, committee members receive a stipend for attending Committee meetings. Committee members also are authorized to receive per diem and reimbursement for travel expenses incurred for conducting Committee business. To qualify for consideration of appointment to the Committee, an individual must possess demonstrated experience and knowledge in the designated fields or disciplines, as well as expert knowledge of the broad issues and topics pertinent to ME/CFS.

Nomination materials should be typewritten, 12-point type, and double-spaced. If mailed, please submit original documents. The nomination materials should be submitted (postmarked or received) no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on the date specified under DATES. The following information must be part of the nomination package submitted for each individual being nominated: (1) A letter of nomination that clearly states the name and affiliation of the nominee, the basis for the nomination (i.e., specific attributes which qualify the nominee for service in this capacity), and a statement that the nominee is willing to serve as a member of the Committee; (2) the nominator's name, address, and daytime telephone number, and the home and/or work address, telephone number, and email address of the individual being nominated; and (3) a current copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae. Federal employees should not be nominated for consideration of appointment to this Committee. An individual may self-nominate.

Electronic submissions: Nomination materials, including attachments, may be submitted electronically to cfsac@hhs.gov.

Telephone and facsimile submissions cannot be accepted.

Regular, Express, or Overnight Mail: Written documents may be submitted to the following addressee only: Martha Duncan Bond, Alternate Designated Federal Officer, CFSAC, Office on Women's Health, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Ave. SW., Room 719E, Washington, DC 20201.

The Department makes every effort to ensure that the membership of Federal advisory committees is fairly balanced in terms of points of view represented and the committee's function. Every effort is made to ensure that a broad representation of geographic areas, females, ethnic and minority groups, and people with disabilities are given consideration for membership on Federal advisory committees. Appointment to this Committee shall be

made without discrimination on the basis of age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, disability, and cultural, religious, or socioeconomic status. Nominations must state that the nominee is willing to serve as a member of CFSAC and appears to have no conflict of interest that would preclude membership. Potential candidates are required to provide detailed information concerning such matters as financial holdings, consultancies, and research grants or contracts for an ethics analysis to be conducted to identify potential conflicts of interest.

Dated: September 12, 2013.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Solicitation of Nominations for Membership on the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections

AGENCY: Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office for Human Research Protections.

ACTION: Notice.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 217a, Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended. The Committee is governed by the provisions of Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

SUMMARY: The Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), a program office in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment as members of the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections (SACHRP). SACHRP provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary, HHS, and the Assistant Secretary for Health on matters pertaining to the continuance and improvement of functions within the authority of HHS directed toward protections for human subjects in research. SACHRP was established by the Secretary, HHS, on October 1, 2002. OHRP is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to fill three positions on the Committee membership