

listening session is to exchange information about the public health importance of hypoglycemia, and discuss federal efforts to reduce preventable hypoglycemia from diabetes medications. The Department of Health and Human Services invites public and private professionals, organizations, and consumer representatives to register to attend this listening session at <https://health.gov/news/>.

DATES: The public listening session will be held on November 1, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will only be accessible by attendance in-person. For in-person participants, the meeting will take place in the Hubert H. Humphrey Building, Room 800, 200 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ndome Essoka, Health Policy Fellow, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite LL100, Rockville, MD 20852, phone: 240-453-8217, email: ndome.essoka@hhs.gov or OHQ@hhs.gov (please indicate in the subject line: Partnering to Prevent Hypoglycemia).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In September 2012, in response to heightened awareness of the contribution of adverse drug events (ADEs) to the burden of health care-related harm and costs, the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH) marshaled the wide-ranging and diverse resources of federal partners to form an extensive interagency partnership, the Federal Interagency Steering Committee and Workgroups for Adverse Drug Events, whose goals would be to develop the ADE Action Plan, as well as identify measures to track national progress in reducing ADEs and targets to meet based on those measures.

ODPHP, in conjunction with the Federal Interagency Steering Committee and three Federal Interagency Workgroups, developed and released the final ADE Action Plan in 2014. The ADE Action Plan seeks to engage all stakeholders in coordinated efforts to reduce ADEs that are not only clinically significant but largely preventable. Inpatient and outpatient use of anticoagulants, diabetes agents, and opioid analgesics (with specific focus on ADEs from therapeutic use of opioids) contribute to the reason why ADEs account for the greatest number of measurable harms. The ADE Action Plan identifies the federal government's highest priority strategies and opportunities for advancement, which

will have the greatest impact on reducing ADEs. Implementation of these strategies is expected to result in safer and higher quality health care services, reduced health care costs, informed and engaged consumers and, ultimately, improved health outcomes. For more information on the ADE Action Plan, visit <https://health.gov/hcq/ade-action-plan.asp>.

Purpose of the Meeting: ODPHP is hosting a listening session titled, "Reducing Preventable Hypoglycemia." The purpose of this listening session is to exchange information about the public health importance of hypoglycemia, and discuss federal efforts to reduce preventable hypoglycemia from diabetes medications. This information may assist ODPHP and federal partners in identifying how patients and providers are affected by hypoglycemia, where gaps in knowledge exist, and how information can be better disseminated.

Meeting Registration: There is no registration fee to attend the public listening session. Early registration is recommended because seating is limited, and registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis. There will be no onsite registration. Persons interested in attending this listening session must register online at <https://health.gov/news/>. For those without Internet access, please contact Ndome Essoka (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) to register. If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Ndome Essoka at least seven days in advance.

Dated: September 29, 2017.

Don Wright,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health (Disease Prevention and Health Promotion).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services; Meeting

AGENCY: Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the public meeting of the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services (Advisory Council). The Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services provides advice on how to prevent or reduce the burden of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias on people with the disease and their caregivers. During the

October meeting, the Advisory Council will welcome its new members and invite them to share their experiences and where they see the Council going over the length of their terms. The Advisory Council will also spend some time discussing the process of developing recommendations and how those recommendations relate to the National Plan. The Council will then spend much of the meeting discussing the National Research Summit on Care, Services, and Supports for Persons with Dementia and Their Caregivers, held on October 16-17.

DATES: The meeting will be held on October 27, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Room 800 in the Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201.

Comments: Time is allocated in the afternoon on the agenda to hear public comments. The time for oral comments will be limited to two (2) minutes per individual. In lieu of oral comments, formal written comments may be submitted for the record to Rohini Khillan, OASPE, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Room 424E, Washington, DC 20201. Comments may also be sent to napa@hhs.gov. Those submitting written comments should identify themselves and any relevant organizational affiliations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rohini Khillan (202) 690-5932, rohini.khillan@hhs.gov. **Note:** Seating may be limited. Those wishing to attend the meeting must send an email to napa@hhs.gov and put "October 27 Meeting Attendance" in the Subject line by Tuesday, October 17, so that their names may be put on a list of expected attendees and forwarded to the security officers at the Department of Health and Human Services. Any interested member of the public who is a non-U.S. citizen should include this information at the time of registration to ensure that the appropriate security procedure to gain entry to the building is carried out. Although the meeting is open to the public, procedures governing security and the entrance to Federal buildings may change without notice. If you wish to make a public comment, you must note that within your email.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2)).

Topics of the Meeting: During the October meeting, the Advisory Council will welcome its new members and invite them to share their experiences

and where they see the Council going over the length of their terms. The Advisory Council will also spend some time discussing the process of developing recommendations and how those recommendations relate to the National Plan. The Council will then spend much of the meeting discussing the National Research Summit on Care, Services, and Supports for Persons with Dementia and Their Caregivers, held on October 16–17.

Procedure and Agenda: This meeting is open to the public. Please allow 30 minutes to go through security and walk to the meeting room. The meeting will also be webcast at www.hhs.gov/live.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 11225; Section 2(e)(3) of the National Alzheimer's Project Act. The panel is governed by 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.

Dated: September 22, 2017.

John R. Graham,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Advisory Committee on Minority Health

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Minority Health (OMH), is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment as a member of the Advisory Committee on Minority Health (hereafter referred to as the “Committee or ACMH”). In accordance with Public Law 105–392, the Committee provides advice to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health on improving the health of racial and ethnic minority groups, and on the development of goals and specific program activities of OMH designed to improve the health status and outcomes of racial and ethnic minorities. Nominations of qualified candidates are being sought to fill vacancies on the Committee.

DATES: Nominations for membership on the Committee must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on January 3, 2018, at the address listed below.

ADDRESSES: All nominations should be mailed to Dr. Minh Wendt, Designated Federal Officer, Advisory Committee on Minority Health, Office of Minority Health, Department of Health and Human Services, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 600, Rockville, MD 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Minh Wendt, Designated Federal Officer, Advisory Committee on Minority Health, Office of Minority Health, Department of Health and Human Services, Tower Building, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 600, Rockville, Maryland 20852. Phone: 240–453–8222; fax: 240–453–8223.

A copy of the ACMH charter and list of the current membership can be obtained by contacting Dr. Wendt or by accessing the Web site managed by OMH at www.minorityhealth.hhs.gov. Information about ACMH activities can be found on the OMH Web site under the heading About OMH.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Public Law 105–392, the Secretary of Health and Human Services established the ACMH. The Committee provides advice to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health in carrying out the duties stipulated under Public Law 105–392. This includes providing advice on improving the health of racial and ethnic minority populations and in the development of goals and specific program activities of OMH, which are to:

(1) Establish short-range and long-range goals and objectives and coordinate all other activities within the Public Health Service that relate to disease prevention, health promotion, service delivery, and research impacting racial and ethnic minority populations;

(2) Enter into interagency agreements with other agencies of the Public Health Service;

(3) Support research, demonstrations, and evaluations to test new and innovative models;

(4) Increase knowledge and understanding of health risk factors;

(5) Develop mechanisms that support better information dissemination, education, prevention, and service delivery to individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds, including individuals who are members of racial or ethnic minority groups;

(6) Ensure that the National Center for Health Statistics collects data on the health status of each minority group;

(7) Enter into contracts with public and non-profit private providers of primary health services for the purpose of increasing the access of individuals who lack proficiency in speaking the

English language by developing and carrying out programs to provide bilingual or interpretive services;

(8) Support a national minority health resource center which provides resources to the public such as information services and assistance in capacity building;

(9) Carry out programs to improve access to health care services for individuals with limited proficiency in speaking the English language; and

(10) Advise in matters related to the development, implementation, and evaluation of health professions education in decreasing disparities in health care outcomes, including cultural competency as a method of eliminating health disparities.

Management and support services for the ACMH are provided by OMH.

Nominations: The Committee is composed of 12 voting members. The Committee composition also can include non-voting *ex officio* members. This announcement is seeking nominations for voting members. Voting members of the Committee are appointed by the Secretary from individuals who are not officers or employees of the federal government and who have expertise regarding issues of minority health. To qualify for consideration of appointment to the Committee, an individual must possess demonstrated experience and expertise working on issues impacting the health of racial and ethnic minority populations. The Committee charter stipulates that the racial and ethnic minority groups shall be equally represented on the Committee membership. ACMH is comprised of members who represent the health interest of Hispanics/Latinos; Blacks/African Americans; American Indians and Alaska Natives; and/or Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and other Pacific Islanders.

There are a total of four impending vacancies on the Committee: Three vacancies on the ACMH that impact the representation for the health interests of Hispanics/Latinos and one vacancy that impacts the representation of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and other Pacific Islanders. OMH is particularly seeking nominations for individuals who can represent the health interests of these racial and ethnic minority groups. Nominations that are received for individuals to represent other racial and ethnic minority groups also will be accepted. These applications will be retained in files that are maintained by OMH on potential candidates to be considered for the ACMH.

Professional/Technical Expertise: Nominees must have expertise in issues