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Correction: Meeting will be a one-day webinar and conference call only rather than two-days and in-person as previously announced.

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Director, Executive Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Meeting of the National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces that the National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice (NACNEP) has scheduled a writing subcommittee public meeting. Information about NACNEP, the agenda, and materials for this meeting can be found on the NACNEP website at <https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/nursing/index.html>.

DATES: April 20, 2020, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET).

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held by teleconference, and/or Adobe Connect webinar.

- *Webinar link.* <https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/nursing/meetings.html>.

- *Conference call-in number:* 1-888-455-4141; Passcode: FACA Meeting.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NACNEP provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of HHS and the U.S. Congress on policy issues related to the activities carried out under Title VIII of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, including the range of issues relating to the nurse workforce, education, and

practice improvement. NACNEP also prepares and submits an annual report to the Secretary of HHS and Congress describing its activities, including NACNEP's findings and recommendations concerning activities under Title VIII of the PHS Act.

During the April 20, 2020, meeting, the writing subcommittee of NACNEP will review recent literature and hear from an expert speaker on the topic of its 17th Report to Congress, *Preparing Nurse Faculty, and Addressing the Shortage of Nurse Faculty and Clinical Preceptors*. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate. Refer to the NACNEP website for updated information concerning the meeting. The final agenda will be posted at least 14 calendar days before the meeting.

Members of the public will have the opportunity to provide comments. Public participants may submit written statements in advance of the scheduled meeting. Oral comments will be honored in the order they are requested and may be limited as time allows. Requests to submit a written statement or make oral comments to NACNEP should be sent to Camillus Ezeike using the contact information above at least 3 business days before the meeting.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority

This notice amends Part R of the Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) (60 FR 56605, as amended November 6, 1995; as last amended at 84 FR 49535-49540 dated September 20, 2019).

HRSA is making changes within the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP) in order to realign the functions for the management of emerging rural health program initiatives, including rural substance abuse programs.

This reorganization updates the organization, functions, and delegation of authority of FORHP (RH). Specifically this reorganization (1) establishes the Rural Strategic Initiatives Division; and (2) updates the functional statement for

the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (RH).

Chapter RH—Federal Office of Rural Health Policy

Section RH.10 Organization

Delete the organization for FORHP (RH) in its entirety and replace with the following:

The Federal Office of Rural Health Policy is headed by the Associate Administrator, who reports directly to the Administrator, HRSA. FORHP includes the following components:

- (1) Office of the Associate Administrator (RH)
- (2) Hospital State Division (RH1);
- (3) Community-Based Division (RH2);
- (4) Office for the Advancement of Telehealth (RH4);
- (5) Policy Research Division (RH5);
- (6) Administrative Operations Division (RH6); and
- (7) Rural Strategic Initiatives Division (RH7).

Section RH.20 Function

Delete the functional statement for FORHP (RH) and in its entirety and replace with the following:

Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (RH)

Office of the Associate Administrator (RH)

The Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP) is responsible for the overall leadership and management of the Office. FORHP serves as a focal point within HHS for rural health-related issues and as a principal source of advice to the Secretary for coordinating efforts to strengthen and improve the delivery of health services to populations in the nation's rural areas. FORHP provides leadership within HHS and with stakeholders in providing information and counsel related to access to, and financing and quality of, health care to rural populations. Specifically, the Office of the Associate Administrator (1) provides staff support to the National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services; (2) stimulates and coordinates interaction on rural health activities and programs in the agency, Department and with other federal agencies; (3) establishes and maintains a resource center for the collection and dissemination of the latest information and research findings related to the delivery of health services in rural areas; (4) ensures successful dissemination of appropriate information technology advances, such as telehealth or electronic health records systems; (5) monitors the health information