

### III. How To Use the Notice

This notice lists the OCPM chapters and subjects published during the quarter covered by the notice so the reader may determine whether any are of particular interest. The OCPM can be accessed at <https://www.hhs.gov/about/agencies/omha/the-appeals-process/case-processing-manual/index.html>.

### IV. OCPM Releases for October Through December 2022

The OCPM is used by OMHA adjudicators and staff to administer the OMHA program. It offers day-to-day operating instructions, policies, and procedures based on statutes and regulations, and OMHA directives.

The following is a list and description of new OCPM provisions and the subject matter. This information is available on our website at <https://www.hhs.gov/about/agencies/omha/the-appeals-process/case-processing-manual/index.html>.

#### *OCPM Chapter 12: Administrative Record and Exhibiting*

On October 28, 2022, OMHA issued OCPM Chapter 12, which provides guidance on processing and developing the administrative record for OMHA appeals. OMHA is responsible for creating and organizing a complete record of the evidence and administrative proceedings of the appealed matter. This chapter explains how OMHA obtains the case file from the prior adjudicating entity, as well as how OMHA organizes and exhibits records, creates an index of the administrative record, and processes new evidence. The chapter also details how to document electronic and oral communications, ensure the record is complete, and address other record-related issues that could arise during the appeal process.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Request for Nominations to the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of HHS established the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services to provide advice and consultation to the Secretary on how to prevent or reduce the burden of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias on people with the disease and their caregivers. The Secretary signed the charter establishing the Advisory Council on May 23, 2011. *HHS is soliciting nominations for six (6) new non-federal members of the Advisory Council to replace the six (6) members whose terms will end September 30, 2023.* Nominations should include, at a minimum, the nominee's contact information (current mailing address, email address, and telephone number) and current curriculum vitae or resume.

**DATES:** Submit nominations by email or USPS mail before COB on April 28, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations should be sent by email to: Helen Lamont, Ph.D., HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Room 424E, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20201, [helen.lamont@hhs.gov](mailto:helen.lamont@hhs.gov) and [napa@hhs.gov](mailto:napa@hhs.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Helen Lamont (202) 260-6075, [helen.lamont@hhs.gov](mailto:helen.lamont@hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services meets quarterly to discuss programs that impact people with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias and their caregivers. The Advisory Council makes recommendations to Congress and the Secretary of Health and Human Services about ways to reduce the financial impact of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias and to improve the health outcomes of people with these conditions. The Advisory Council also provides feedback on a National Plan to Address Alzheimer's disease. On an annual basis, the Advisory Council evaluates the implementation of the recommendations through an updated National Plan. The National Alzheimer's Project Act, Public Law 111-375 (42 U.S.C. 11225), requires that the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) establish the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services. The Advisory Council is governed by provisions of Public Law 92-463 (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

The Advisory Council consists of 22 members. Ten members are designees

from Federal agencies including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Administration for Community Living, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Indian Health Service, National Institutes of Health, National Science Foundation, Food and Drug Administration, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Health Resources and Services Administration, and Department of Veterans Affairs. The Advisory Council also consists of 12 non-federal members selected by the Secretary who represent 6 categories of people impacted by dementia: dementia caregivers (2), health care providers (2), representatives of State or local health departments (2), researchers with dementia-related expertise in basic, translational, clinical, or drug development science (2), voluntary health association representatives (2), and dementia patient advocates (2), including one advocate who is currently living with dementia.

At this time, the Secretary of HHS is seeking nominations for new members for each category (caregiver, health care provider, state representative, researcher, association representative, dementia patient advocate currently living with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia), to replace the members whose terms will end on September 30, 2023, for a total of six (6) new members to the Advisory Council. After receiving nominations, the Secretary, with input from his staff, will make the final decision, and the new members will be announced soon after. Members shall be invited to serve until the Advisory Council sunsets on December 31, 2025 or a 4-year term if the National Alzheimer's Project Act is reauthorized. Members will serve as Special Government Employees.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Advisory Committee on Blood and Tissue Safety and Availability (ACBTSA)

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