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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Docket No. CDC-2024-0072]

#### Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices; Amended Notice of Meeting

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). **ACTION:** Notice.

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**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces an amendment to the following meeting of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). This meeting was open to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephanie Thomas, Committee Management Specialist, Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop H24–8, Atlanta, Georgia 30329–4027. Telephone: (404) 639–8836; Email: *ACIP@cdc.gov.* 

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP); October 23, 2024, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., EDT, and October 24, 2024, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., EDT (times subject to change; see the ACIP website for updates: https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/ index.html), in the original Federal Register notice.

Notice of the virtual meeting was published in the **Federal Register** on September 30, 2024, 89 FR 79610– 79611.

The meeting notice is being amended to update the recommendation votes in the matters to be considered, which should read as follows:

Matters to be Considered: The agenda will include discussions on chikungunya vaccines, COVID–19 vaccines, cytomegalovirus (CMV) vaccine, Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines, influenza vaccines, meningococcal vaccines, mpox

vaccines, pneumococcal vaccines, Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) vaccines for adults, RSV vaccines for maternal and pediatric populations, and the adult and child/adolescent immunization schedules. Recommendation votes are scheduled for COVID-19 vaccines, meningococcal vaccines, pneumococcal vaccines, and the adult and child/adolescent immunization schedules. A Vaccines for Children (VFC) vote is scheduled for influenza vaccines and meningococcal vaccines. For more information on the meeting agenda, visit https:// www.cdc.gov/acip/meetings/index.html.

The Director, Office of Strategic Business Initiatives, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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Director, Office of Strategic Business Initiatives, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS-5054-N]

#### Medicare, Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program, Private Health Insurance Program; Health Equity Advisory Committee; Establishment & Nomination Request

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

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the establishment of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Health Equity Advisory Committee (the "Committee") and solicits nominations for members to be appointed to the Committee by the Director of the CMS Office of Minority Health. The Committee is established to advise and make recommendations to CMS on the identification and resolution of systemic barriers to accessing CMS programs that hinder quality of care for beneficiaries and consumers. The Committee will focus on health disparities in underserved communities, which are

populations sharing a particular characteristic, as well as geographic communities, that have been systematically denied a full opportunity to participate in aspects of economic, social, and civic life, such as but not limited to Black, Latino, and Indigenous and Native American persons, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and other persons of color; members of religious minorities; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer persons; persons with disabilities; persons who live in rural areas; and persons otherwise adversely affected by persistent poverty or inequality as defined in the Executive Order, Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government.

**DATES:** Nominations must be received no later than December 12, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations and requests for copies of the Health Equity Advisory Committee (HEAC) Charter may be submitted to the address specified below. Please do not submit duplicates. Nominations or requests for copies of the HEAC Charter must be submitted by email to *HEAC@cms.hhs.gov* with the subject line "HEAC Nomination" or "HEAC Request for Charter," depending on the content of the email.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Iris Allen, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS, at (410) 786–1633. Press inquiries may be submitted by

phone at (202) 690–6145 or by email press@cms.hhs.gov.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## I. Background

The Health Equity Advisory Committee (the "Committee" or "HEAC") is established to advise and make recommendations to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on the identification and resolution of systemic barriers to accessing CMS programs that hinder quality of care for beneficiaries and consumers. Consistent with Executive Order (E.O.) 13985, Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities through the Federal Government,<sup>1</sup> the Committee will seek to advise and make recommendations to CMS on ensuring all eligible individuals can access CMS programs and identify how CMS can deliver benefits equitably to all people enrolled in CMS programs. The Committee will also serve as a dedicated platform for CMS collaboration with key interested persons to advance health equity by identifying how CMS can promote quality and access for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>86 FR 7009, January 25, 2021.