

The meeting is open to the public on Wednesday, November 18, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., and closed for the remainder of meeting.

Agenda: The open portion of the meeting will cover opening remarks by the Director, Division of Systems, Education and Science, who will report on program issues, congressional activities, and other topics of interest to the field of maternal and child health. The meeting will be closed to the public on Wednesday, November 18, 1998 from 10:00 a.m., to the remainder of the meeting for the review of grant applications. The closing is in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination by the Associate Administrator for Management and Program Support, Health Resources and Services Administration, pursuant to Public Law 92-463.

Anyone wishing to obtain a roster of members, minutes of meetings, or other relevant information should write or contact Gontran Lamberty, Dr. P.H., Executive Secretary, Maternal and Child Health Grants Review Committee, Room 18A-55, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857, or by telephone at (301) 443-2190.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Dated: September 23, 1998.

Jane M. Harrison,

Director, Division of Policy Review and Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

Part M of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority for the Department of Health and Human Services (61 FR 39146-39151, July 26, 1996 as amended most recently at 63 FR 1112-1113, January 8, 1998) is amended to: (1) realign the equal employment opportunity function by establishing formally the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity and Civil Rights within the Office of the Administrator; and (2) revise the functional statement of the Office of Applied Studies (OAS) and establish a substructure organization within OAS.

Section M-20, Functions, is amended as follows:

Under the heading, *Immediate Office of the Administrator (MA-1)* delete item (2), "carries out SAMHSA-wide functions relating to equal employment

opportunity" and renumber the items following this item as (2), (3), (4) and (5) respectively.

Under the heading, *Office of the Administrator (MA)*, insert the following title and functional statement after the functional statement for the *Office of Minority Health (MAE)*:

Office of Equal Employment Opportunity and Civil Rights (MAF)

(1) Processes both informal and formal complaints of employment discrimination under three primary statutes as amended: Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000e-16); Section 15 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (29 U.S.C. 633a); and Sections 501 and 505 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 791, 794a); (2) plans and administers a coordinated Agency special emphasis/affirmative employment program focusing on minorities, women, and persons with disabilities; (3) develops, implements, and monitors affirmative employment plans for minorities and women and for persons with disabilities required by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; (4) manages the agency disability reasonable accommodations process; (5) provides guidance and logistical support for an employee EEO advisory council reporting to the Administrator; (6) promotes the awarding of contracts under Section 8(a) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637(a)) and Executive Orders 12432 and 12138 to disadvantaged businesses and women-owned small businesses; advocate for civil rights and related principles; (7) develops internal civil rights compliance policy for the Agency and serves as the internal advocate for civil rights and related principles; and (8) assesses the Agency's compliance with applicable civil rights statutes, executive orders, regulations, policies and programs.

Under the heading, *Office of Applied Studies (MC)*, delete the functional statement and substitute the following functional statement:

(1) Collects information on the incidence, prevalence, trends, correlates, and consequences of substance abuse and mental health problems in the United States; (2) collects information on the number, characteristics, conduct, and performance of facilities and organizations providing prevention and treatment services for substance abuse at the national and local level; (3) plans, directs, and conducts studies based on data collected by the Office of Applied Studies and other organizations of issues associated with substance abuse

and mental health problems; (4) designs and carries out special data collection and analytic projects to examine topical issues for SAMHSA and other Federal agencies; (5) conducts epidemiologic, statistical, and policy studies of existing or emerging issues; (6) coordinates planning for program evaluation activities of the Agency; (7) manages Agency activities associated with the Paperwork Reduction Act and Office of Management and Budget clearance of information collection activities; (8) prepares reports and disseminates findings through Agency publications, the press, scientific journals, and electronic systems.

After the functional Office for the *Office of Applied Studies (MC)*, add the following titles and functional statements:

Office of the Director (MC-1)

(1) Provides overall leadership to the Office of Applied Studies; (2) determines that data collection and analytic activities are consistent with the mission and priorities of the Department and the Agency; (3) advises the Administrator and other Agency officials and staff on policy and technical issues associated with collecting information on substance abuse and mental health problems; (4) serves as Agency liaison to the Office of the Secretary, the Office of National Drug Control Policy, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and other Federal agencies; to State and Local Government agencies; and to non-governmental organizations and institutions on matters related to the collection and analysis of data on substance abuse and mental health problems.

Division of Population Surveys (MCA)

(1) Plans, develops, and manages the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse (NHSDA) and other surveys of the population to obtain information on substance abuse and mental health problems; (2) develops, implements, and evaluates new statistical and data collection methods, questionnaires, and sampling strategies for surveys; (3) analyzes information obtained from surveys conducted by the Office of Applied Studies to determine the incidence, prevalence, correlates, and consequences of substance abuse; (4) analyzes data from the NHSDA and related sources of information to examine program and policy issues and evaluate the impact of various Federal initiatives related to substance abuse; (5) prepares statistical publications, special reports, and analyses based on information derived from the NHSDA

and other surveys of the population; and (6) serves as a source of expertise on substance abuse survey methods, sampling design, statistics, and analytic techniques for SAMHSA and the Department.

Division of Operations (MCB)

(1) Manages the operational activities of the Office of Applied Studies (OAS) including development of the budget, oversight of procurement, and personnel; (2) manages SAMHSA responsibilities under the Paperwork Reduction Act including the process for obtaining the Office of Management and Budget clearance for information collection activities; (3) coordinates the planning for an implementation of SAMHSA program evaluations authorized by Section 241 of the Public Health Service Act; (4) develops methods for and collects information through the Drug Abuse Warning Network (DAWN), the Drug and Alcohol Services Information System (DASIS), and other data collection projects on admissions to and services provided by treatment programs in the United States; (5) prepares statistical publications and reports based on data obtained from DAWN, DASIS, and other sources; (6) manages the process for clearing, publishing, and disseminating studies and reports produced by OAA; (7) provides computer support for OAS, including the development of special software to facilitate the analysis and dissemination of information; and (8) organizes and manages various meetings to obtain advice and assistance from States with respect to the structure and content of OAS surveys.

Division of Analysis (MCC)

(1) Conducts epidemiologic, behavioral, demographic, and economic studies on topics of major and immediate concern in the area of substance abuse and mental health care; (2) conducts policy research on issues relevant to the demand for treatment for substance abuse and mental health problems and the supply of services; (3) determines the annual allotment of Block Grant funds to States and Territories for substance abuse prevention and treatment and mental health services and provides information and expertise to SAMHSA, the Department, and the States on issues related to the formula in accordance with legislative authorities; (4) directs special studies to examine such questions as the validity of data collection strategies such as those

employed by the Drug Abuse Warning Network and the Drug and Alcohol Services Information System, the costs and long term effects of substance abuse treatment, and the problems and access to care of special populations; (5) manages special contracts developed to analyze data from multiple sources; and (6) provides advice and expertise to other components of SAMHSA and the Department on research topics and the design of studies relevant to concerns in the areas of substance abuse and mental health.

Section M-40, Delegations of Authority. All delegations and redelegations of authority to officers and employees of SAMHSA that were in effective immediately prior to the effective date of this reorganization shall continue in effect in them.

Dated: September 23, 1998.

Nelba Chavez,

Administrator, SAMHSA.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Alaska Land Managers Forum

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOI.

ACTION: Notice, Reestablishment of Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: This notice is published in accordance with section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. 2 (1988) and 41 CFR 101-6.1015(a). Following consultation with the General Services Administration and the Office of Management and Budget, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior is administratively reestablishing an advisory committee known as the Alaska Land Managers Forum. The purpose of the committee is to advise the Secretary on Alaska land and resources issues.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah L. Williams, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior for Alaska, Office of the Secretary, Department of the Interior, 1689 C Street, Suite 100, Anchorage, Alaska 99501-5151, (907) 271-5485.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

In the 40 years since Statehood, land ownership and management in Alaska has undergone a massive change. In 1959, nearly all of Alaska (99.8 percent)

was owned by the Federal Government, and most of this land (365 million acres) was public domain under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management. Today, the State has received title to 90 million acres of a 104.5 million acre entitlement. Alaska Natives, through village and regional corporations established under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971, have become major land holders (37 million acres interim conveyed or patented) with the eventual ownership of 45.5 million acres. Finally, over 145 million acres in Federal ownership are in national forests, parks, and wildlife refuges. These changes in land status have, in turn, generated changes in the roles and relationships of the State and Federal agencies in Alaska. Also, Native corporations, as owners of 12 percent of the State's land area, have become major participants in the complexities of land and resource management.

Since Statehood, there have been several different types of cooperative planning entities charged with making an overview of Alaska issues and developing comprehensive recommendations to the State and Federal Governments. None of these planning entities exist today. The Secretary of the Interior is reestablishing the Alaska Land Managers Forum Advisory Committee in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App.), for the purpose of advising him on land and resource issues in Alaska.

Membership on the Forum consists of individuals appointed by the Secretary of the Interior. Appointed as cochairs are the Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior for Alaska as the Federal Cochair, the Lt. Governor of the State of Alaska as the State Cochair, and the President of the Alaska Federation of Natives (or designee) as the Alaska Native Cochair. In addition, the charter provides for appointing the commissioners or directors of specified State agencies, the State directors of specified Federal land management agencies, and the heads of two Alaska Native organizations.

Administrative establishment of the Alaska Land Managers Forum is necessary and in the public interest.

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Bruce Babbitt,

Secretary of the Interior.

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