

requested OPO, and the currently designated area OPO. These hospitals

have submitted timely waiver requests and may work with the requested OPO

rather than the designated OPO pending our review.

Name of facility	City	State	Requested OPO	Designated OPO
Alamance Regional Medical Center	Burlington	NC	NCNC	NCBG
Bullhead Community Hospital	Bullhead City	AZ	AZOB	NVLV
Cooley Dickinson Hospital Inc	Northampton	MA	MAOB	CTHH
Ohio Valley Medical Center	Wheeling	WV	PATF	OHLP
Reynolds Memorial Hospital	Glen Dale	WV	PATF	OHLP
Wheeling Hospital	Wheeling	WV	PATF	OHLP

IV. Technical Correction

In the April 21, 1997, notice with comment period at 62 FR 19328, in the first chart, the listings of the OPO codes of the requested and designated OPOs for Crestline Memorial Hospital and River Valley Health System were inadvertently reversed. The corrected entries for these hospitals read as follows:

Name of facility	City	State	Requested OPO	Designated OPO
River Valley Health System	Ironton	OH	OHLP	KYDA
Crestline Memorial Hospital	Crestline	OH	OHLP	OHLC

V. Keys to the OPO Codes

The keys to the acronyms used in the listings to identify OPOs and their addresses are as follows:

AZOB—DONOR NETWORK OF ARIZONA, 3877 North Seventh Street, Phoenix, AZ 85014

CTHH—NORTHEAST OPO AND
TISSUE BANK, Hartford Hospital, 80
Seymour Street, Hartford, CT 06102–
5037

KYDA—KENTUCKY ORGAN DONOR
AFFILIATES, 105 East Broadway,
Louisville, KY 40202

MAOB—NEW ENGLAND ORGAN
BANK, INC., One Gateway Center,
Newton, MA 02158

NCBG—CAROLINA LIFE CARE, North
Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Medical
Center Boulevard, Winston-Salem, NC
27157

NCNC—CAROLINA ORGAN
PROCUREMENT, 702 Johns Hopkins
Drive, Greenville, NC 27834

NVLV—NEVADA DONOR NETWORK,
4580 Southeastern Avenue, Suite 33,
Las Vegas, NV 89119

OHLC—LIFE CONNECTION OF OHIO,
1545 Holland Road, Suite C, Maumee,
OH 43537

OHLP—LIFELINE OF OHIO, 770
Kinnear Road, Suite 200, Columbus,
OH 43212

PATF—CENTER FOR ORGAN
RECOVERY AND EDUCATION, 204
Sigma Drive, RIDC Park, Pittsburgh,
PA 15238.

VI. Collection of Information Requirements

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are required to provide 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** and solicit public comment before a collection of information requirement is submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and

approval. In order to fairly evaluate whether an information collection requirement should be approved by OMB, Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires that we solicit comment on the following issues:

- The need for the information collection and its usefulness in carrying out the proper functions of our agency.
- The accuracy of our estimate of the information collection burden.
- The quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Recommendations to minimize the information to be collected.

The information collection requirement and the burden associated with requiring a Medicare or Medicaid participating hospital to have an agreement with the OPO designated for its area or to submit a waiver request to HCFA for approval to have an agreement with an OPO other than the OPO designated for its service area currently are approved under OMB approval number 0938–0688 (HCFA–R–13), with an expiration date of November 30, 1997.

Authority: Section 1138 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1320b–8). (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance; Program No. 93.774 Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance, and Program No. 93.778, Medical Assistance Program)

Dated: September 2, 1997.

Bruce M. Fried,

*Director, Center for Health Plans and
Providers, Health Care Financing
Administration.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of Inspector General

Program Exclusions: December 1996

AGENCY: Office of Inspector General, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of program exclusions.

During the month of December 1996, the HHS Office of Inspector General imposed exclusions in the cases set forth below. When an exclusion is imposed, no program payment is made to anyone for any items or services (other than an emergency item or service not provided in a hospital emergency room) furnished, ordered or prescribed by an excluded party under the Medicare, Medicaid, Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant and Block Grants to States for Social Services programs. In addition, no program payment is made to any business or facility, e.g., a hospital, that submits bills for payment for items or services provided by an excluded party. Program beneficiaries remain free to decide for themselves whether they will continue to use the services of an

excluded party even though no program payments will be made for items and services provided by that excluded

party. The exclusions have national effect and also apply to all Executive

Branch procurement and non-procurement programs and activities.

Subject, city, state	Effective date
PROGRAM-RELATED CONVICTIONS	
ALVAREZ, MANUEL JESUS, LEXINGTON, KY	09/07/97
BICKFORD, ROBERT F., ROYAL PALM BEACH, FL	09/07/97
BISHOP, RALPH J., EHRHARDT, SC	09/03/97
BOSWELL, SYLVIA HYMAN, SPRINGFIELD, SD	09/03/97
BRADY, RICHARD A., TAYLORVILLE, IL	09/02/97
BRADY, REBECCA F., SENECA, IL	09/02/97
BROOKS, VERNESSA SMITH, ALTANTA, GA	09/03/97
BURPO, CARL E., BELLEVILLE, IL	09/02/97
CARR, HIRAM THOMAS, FORT WORTH, TX	09/09/97
CARROLL, BEN O., EGLIN AFB, FL	09/03/97
CHAMBERLAIN, DEBRA L., EUGENE, OR	09/04/97
CHUCKAREE, ANTHONY, W PALM BEACH, FL	09/07/97
DAVIS, JOHN R., ROSWELL, NM	09/09/97
DAVIS, JIMMY DOYLE, HUFFMAN, TX	09/09/97
DAVIS, HOWARD, MONTGOMERY, AL	09/03/97
DE LOS HEROS, REINALDO, SALEM, NH	09/04/97
DESPEN, DANIEL, MALVERNE, NY	09/03/97
DUNN, JERRY, MONTGOMERY, AL	09/03/97
EZRA, JOSEPH, BORON, CA	08/26/97
FAGLEY, REBECCA G., NORTH CANTON, OH	08/26/97
FLOWE, CURTIS GERARD, FRESNO, CA	08/26/97
FREDMAN, SANDRA, DEL REY BEACH, FL	09/03/97
FRUEAN, WILLIAM, HONOLULU, HI	08/26/97
GARBUTT, KARY JEAN, LOS ANGELES, CA	08/26/97
GARLING, VINCENT H., LITTLE ROCK, AR	09/09/97
GIST, GLENN L., ATHENS, TX	09/27/96
GIST MEDI-REPS, INC, ATHENS, TX	09/27/96
GREEN, SHIRLEY ANN, NOWATA, OK	09/09/97
HAYNES, PAMELA JEAN, BRYAN, TX	09/04/97
HENDRICKS, SHERYL, TURKEY CREEK, LA	09/09/97
HOPSON, LATRICIA, ATLANTA, GA	09/03/97
HYDE, RODERICK M., PIERRE, SD	09/03/97
JOHNSON, HELEN MARIE, HOT SPRINGS, AR	09/04/97
JOSEPH, BONITA, DECATUR, GA	09/03/97
JOSEPH, JOHN, GAINESVILLE, GA	09/03/97
KESSLER, MELISSA JULIA, BOISE, ID	08/26/97
KNOWLES, WILBERT LLEWELLYN, W PALM BEACH, FL	09/07/97
LAMPKIN, LATTARA, RIVERDALE, GA	09/03/97
LEE, MARK W., FLORENCE, SC	08/26/97
LIPSITZ, JACOB, PHILADELPHIA, PA	09/03/97
LISK, WILLIAM A., MANSFIELD, OH	09/02/97
LOCK, ABRAHAM JOSEPH, BROOKLYN, NY	08/26/97
LUANSING, CARLOS, RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA	09/04/97
MARGINI, LORENZO, BROOKLYN, NY	09/03/97
MARINO, JAMES, SACRAMENTO, CA	08/26/97
MORA, NOEMIE MARIE, BROWNSVILLE, TX	09/04/97
MUENCH, JANICE MCCLENDON, FORT WORTH, TX	09/04/97
NATIONAL OSTOMY SUPPLY, INC, GREENBURG, PA	09/17/96
NAZARENO, JOSEFINA JUDAL, SAN BERNARDINO, CA	09/04/97
NUCKLOS, ROSE LEE, FORT COBB, OK	08/26/97
ORNELAS, PAMELA NOREEN, ARVADA, CO	09/03/97
PARKER, RICK ALLEN, WINCHESTER BAY, OR	09/04/97
PATTERSON, KATHLEEN ANNE, PORTLAND, OR	09/04/97
PONCE, VIRGINIA, MIAMI, FL	09/07/97
RATLIFF, DOTTIE LOU, PORTLAND, OR	09/04/97
REESE, SYLVIA, OAK PARK, MI	09/02/97
REESE, ROOSEVELT, OAK PARK, MI	09/02/97
SANDERS, MAXIE, MACON, MS	09/03/97
SANTANA, RONALD STEVEN, SHERIDAN, OR	09/04/97
SAUNDERS, LISA WILSON, SYRACUSE, NY	09/03/97
SCHILLING, HENRY J. JR, RICHMOND, VA	09/03/97
SEIDE, CHARLES, WOODMERE, NY	09/03/97
SHORE, STANLEY D., NORTH WALES, PA	09/03/97
SOKOLSKI, KENNETH, IRVINE, CA	09/04/97
TATE, PEARLIE, MACON, MS	09/03/97
TODD, TIMOTHY D., INDIANAPOLIS, IN	09/02/97
VANMETER, PAMELA, KENNETT, MO	09/03/97
WHITFIELD, THOMAS P., CHARLOTTE, NC	09/07/97

Subject, city, state	Effective date
WOODING, RICHARD P., WICHITA, KS	08/26/97
YAMADA, AKIYOSHI, MIAMI, FL	09/07/97
YOUNG, JACQUELINE C., FLORISSANT, MO	09/02/97
ZUERCHER, KATHY ANNA, PORTLAND, OR	09/04/97

PATIENT ABUSE/NEGLECT CONVICTIONS

ANDERSON, LYNETTE CAROL, SALT LAKE CITY, UT	09/03/97
BENSON, ARENCTHER, WATERVALLEY, MS	09/03/97
BERGERON, KATHERINE, EASTHAMPTON, MA	09/04/97
CADET, LORA MARIE, MILTON, MA	09/04/97
CLARK, CLINT SHANNON, GREENBRIER, AR	09/09/97
COLE, TONYA S., CHARLESTON, WV	09/03/97
COLLINS, VELMA E., YOUNGSTOWN, OH	09/02/97
COSME, FELICITA, LAWRENCE, MA	08/27/97
DEKORTE, GARTH, LANSING, MI	09/02/97
DICKENSON, CHAD BRYAN, MARLOW, OK	09/09/97
DIEDRICH, DOUGLAS CHARLES, KONAWA, OK	09/09/97
DUDLEY, NEDDIE MAE, PARIS, TX	09/04/97
EDGEWORTH, DENNIS D., WOODLAWN, IL	09/02/97
ETIENNE, YOLA, BROCKTON, MA	09/04/97
FARMER, STACY MARIE, NEW ORLEANS, LA	09/09/97
FISHER, ELAINE L., MATTOON, IL	09/02/97
GILES, VICTAVIA, LAWTON, OK	09/09/97
GROSS, TINA SHYVONNE, CORSICANA, TX	09/04/97
GUINN, SHAUN L., INSTITUTE, WV	09/03/97
GUTHRIE, DODIE MARIE, GLENPOOL, OK	09/09/97
HARDESTY-GROSS, CAROL A., STREETSBORO, OH	09/02/97
HENTHORN, MARIE H., CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH	09/02/97
HERRING, KENYA NICOLE, DELHI, LA	09/09/97
HORACE, JOHN L., ROCHESTER, NY	09/03/97
JOACHIM, LEONARD, MOUNTAIN LAKES, NJ	09/02/97
JOHNSON, GLORIA LOUISE, ALEXANDRIA, LA	09/09/97
KEMP, DEON C., FRANKLIN, LA	09/09/97
KENT, PAULETTE J., HINSDALE, NY	09/04/97
LEWIS, JACQUELINE, GRAND COTEAU, LA	09/04/97
LOPEZ, JUAN, HONDO, TX	09/04/97
LOUDENSLAGER, JULIE, CHEEKTOWAGA, NY	09/03/97
MAYFIELD, TYNA L., LAKE CITY, AR	09/09/97
MCCOOL, JANET, SAVANNAH, NY	09/03/97
MCCRORY, LYNDIA, ALBUQUERQUE, NM	09/09/97
MCDANIEL, SARAH L., PRESCOTT, AR	09/09/97
MCNAMARA, LORI MARIE, SYRACUSE, NY	09/04/97
MIDDLETON, SHERRY, FLINT, MI	09/02/97
MONCUR, LEONE A., BELLE FOURCHE, SD	09/03/97
MOREAU, ALFRED, LYNN, MA	09/04/97
NICHOLS, CHAQUITA LASHANETTE, CANTON, MS	09/03/97
O'NEIL, JULIE MAY, MONUMENT BEACH, MA	09/04/97
PETERSON, FRANK R, WILKES-BARRE, PA	09/03/97
PHILLIPS, WILLIE L, BIRMINGHAM, AL	09/03/97
PUGH, CLARA C, VOSSBURG, MS	09/03/97
RILEY, STACEY EILEEN, ALEXANDRIA, LA	09/09/97
ROBERTS, JOSEA MAE, PONTIAC, MI	09/02/97
RODRIQUES, CYNTHIA, SWANSEA, MA	09/04/97
SCOTT-TURNER, CHERRY, SACRAMENTO, CA	09/04/97
SILVA, RAYMOND, LOWELL, MA	09/04/97
SINGLETON, TERIMAL DION, MONROE, LA	09/09/97
SMITH, DARREN SCOTT, SAINT JOE, AR	09/09/97
SMITH, BILLIE, COLUMBUS, MS	09/03/97
THOMAS, YOLONDA, HERMITAGE, AR	09/09/97
TRUDEN, GEORGIA, EASTHAMPTON, MA	09/04/97
VALDEZ, JOSE, TRENTON, MI	09/02/97
VEGA, JOSEPHINE MARY, SAGINAW, MI	09/02/97
WALPOOL, OPERAL, HOUSTON, TX	09/04/97
YOUNG, MINNIE, SUMMERVILLE, SC	09/07/97

CONVICTION FOR HEALTH CARE FRAUD

CASIMIR, ANISHA, WESTCHESTER, NY	09/03/97
HERLIHY, DANIEL JAMES, TEXARKANA, TX	09/04/97
KELLY, DENISE, MAYS LANDING, NJ	08/26/97
LAZAR, RONALD, NEW ORLEANS, LA	09/09/97
SMITH, DELORES J, MARIANNA, FL	09/03/97
STOKES, JOHN HOWARD, FORT WORTH, TX	09/09/97

Subject, city, state	Effective date
TENCER, STEVEN B, YAZOO CITY, MS	09/09/97

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE CONVICTIONS

BRIGGS, TERRI, SUTTONS BAY, MI	09/02/97
BUENCAMINO, ARTURO, BABYLON, NY	09/03/97
CRUZ, CAROL M, BIG RAPIDS, MI	09/02/97
MALIK, MUKHTAR A, BAY CITY, MI	09/02/97
O'DWYER, JAMES, NASHVILLE, TN	09/03/97
WILLISON, MARLENE K, JENISON, MI	09/02/97
WILSON, CLARENCE WALKER, FLINT, MI	09/02/97

LICENSE REVOCATION/SUSPENSION/SURRENDER

ALBER, REVA L, NORMAL, IL	08/26/97
AUSTIN, GARY LYNN, ALEXANDRIA, VA	09/03/97
BARATTI, CARMEN, VOORHEES, NJ	09/04/97
BERNARDUCCI, NICOLE M, HAMPTON, NH	09/04/97
BONOMO, SHERRY, ATWOOD, IL	08/27/97
BRYAN, MARY, MANCHESTER, NH	09/04/97
CALLAHAN, DANIEL JOSEPH, ST PETERSBURG, FL	09/03/97
CAPPEL, LAURENCE R, GRAND BLANC, MI	09/02/97
CARR, MARGARET MARY, TUSTIN, CA	09/04/97
COLLINS, FRED, GALLATIN, TN	09/03/97
CORTIS, TIMOTHY JAMES, STERLING HEIGHTS, MI	09/02/97
CULLY, MILTON A, ALGONQUIN, IL	09/02/97
DAVIS, IRMA, ROCKFORD, IL	09/02/97
DORN, MARION DOUGLAS, ELDORADO, IL	08/27/97
DOUTHIT, DANIEL RAY, LA MIRADA, CA	09/04/97
DOWNEY, MELISSA C, OXFORD, MS	08/26/97
DUMLAO, JULIET, CHICAGO, IL	09/02/97
DUTTON, ROBERT A, ALPENA, MI	08/26/97
FRIEDMAN, JENNY M, COLEMAR, PA	09/03/97
FRYE, KENNETH W, BYRON CENTER, MI	09/02/97
GAMAGE, NIMAL KEVIN, MORENO VALLEY, CA	09/04/97
GASAWAY, PATRICIA, HAMILTON, IL	09/02/97
GRAHAM, GEORGE W JR, KNOXVILLE, TN	09/03/97
HENDRICKSON, ERNEST STUART, MURRYSVILLE, PA	09/03/97
HILE, LISA M, GLENVIEW, IL	09/02/97
HOLT, MARY E, LITCHFIELD, IL	08/27/97
HORVAT, SUSAN D, JOLIET, IL	09/02/97
HUBAH, CLARENCE E, WASHINGTON, DC	08/26/97
INGRAM, CHARLENE PAULETTE, MORENO VALLEY, CA	08/26/97
JABLANOVEC, IDA T, CHICAGO, IL	08/27/97
JOHNSON, KENNEY, CHICAGO, IL	09/02/97
JONES, SUSAN MARY, WARREN, MI	08/27/97
KHALILI, ELI J, HAGERSTOWN, IN	08/27/97
KIM, JULJA, ROSELLE, IL	08/26/97
LAMARCA, DONALD DOMINIC, ELGIN, IL	09/02/97
LAMB, SANDRA K, EASTPOINTE, MI	09/02/97
LAMPBELL, HARVEY J, SAN FRANCISCO, CA	09/04/97
MAGEE, ALINE, CHICAGO, IL	09/02/97
MANGAN, CHARLES, NEWPORT BEACH, CA	08/26/97
MARKOFF, MORTON, CHERRY HILL, NJ	09/02/97
METCALF, RANDAL, GODFREY, IL	09/02/97
MILLER, DEBBIE L, CRANFORD, NJ	09/02/97
MILLIGAN, ASTRIDA M, TRENTON, MI	08/27/97
MYERS, HOWARD, MOUNT LAUREL, NJ	09/04/97
NESSMAN, LAWRENCE, WAYNE, NJ	09/02/97
NOWACKI, SUSAN M, CHICAGO, IL	08/26/97
NYLIN NESBIT, SHELLEE L, ALEDO, IL	09/02/97
OLSEN, JEAN, DES PLAINES, IL	09/02/97
PURDY, KEVIN PAUL, HAYWARD, CA	09/04/97
QUILLAN, ANNETTE M, LUDINGTON, MI	09/02/97
RAMIREZ, LINDA SUE, SIERRA MADRE, CA	09/04/97
RAMPA, CARLO J., CHICAGO, IL	09/02/97
RURAK, JOHN A, ELMIRA, NY	09/03/97
SINGHAL, ANIL M., SAN JOSE, CA	09/04/97
SMITH, CAMERON HEWES, REDMOND, WA	09/04/97
SULLIVAN, SHERRY, TAYLORSVILLE, MS	08/26/97
TARASZKA, STEVEN ROBERT, ATLANTA, GA	09/07/97
TAYLOR, PATRICIA ANN, BOLINGBROOK, IL	09/02/97
THOMAS, MARY NEDIYAVILA, CHICAGO, IL	09/02/97
TOLER, EVA M., ROANOKE, VA	08/26/97

Subject, city, state	Effective date
TRACEY, PAULA SANSONE, LOS ANGELES, CA	09/04/97
TUNG, FRANK KWONG FU, CHICAGO, IL	09/02/97
UNGLES, JANE ALYN, LONG BEACH, CA	09/04/97
VIVIT, SALVADOR A., DES PLAINES, IL	08/27/97
WILSON, SHIRLEY, OAK PARK, IL	09/02/97
WINHOLTZ, WILLIAM L., DECATUR, IL	09/02/97

FEDERAL/STATE EXCLUSION/SUSPENSION

CURRY, CHARLES M., OLDWICK, NJ	09/02/97
DULL, JOHN W., BLOOMFIELD, NJ	09/04/97
G H STOKES ASSOCIATION, INC., COATSVILLE, PA	09/03/97
HOROWITZ, GERALDINE H., COATSVILLE, PA	09/03/97
MORRISON, MARK BRYANT, PURDYS, NY	09/04/97
ROTHKOPF, JOSEPH, NEW YORK, NY	09/03/97
227 NINTH AVENUE PHARMACY, INC., NEW YORK, NY	09/03/97

FRAUD/KICKBACKS

MASON, MELVYN LUMBERVILLE, PA	07/24/97
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OWNED/CONTROLLED BY CONVICTED EXCLUDED

CLINIC MAKERS OF MIAMI, INC., LEXINGTON, KY	09/07/97
HILDA'S HERITAGE HOME, INC., LENNOX, SD	09/09/97
PRO CARE OF FULTON, INC., ATLANTA, GA	09/03/97
REASON CHIROPRACTIC, WOODLAND PARK, CO	09/03/97
VISHNU PHARMACY, CHICAGO, IL	08/26/97
WEST KENDALL MEDICAL CENTER, MIAMI, FL	09/07/97
YOUTH BELIEVING & ACHIEVING, LITHONIA, GA	09/07/97

DEFAULT ON HEAL LOAN

ALVARADO-SANCHEZ, MAYDA C., COMERIO, PR	09/02/97
AVERY, WILLIAM K., WASHINGTON, DC	09/03/97
BASEDOW, ARLENE M., SOUTH POINT, OH	09/02/97
BESSELL, RUSSEL E., BRISTOL, VA	09/03/97
BHARUCHA, NAYANA, BLOOMINGTON, IL	09/02/97
BOBO, ANTHONY D., TAMPA, FL	09/03/97
BROWN, PEARL-ANN, BRONX, NY	09/02/97
BRUNS, FAYLENE A., FARMINGTON, MN	09/02/97
CADOGAN, ROBERT V., NEW ORLEANS, LA	08/26/97
CASE, JOHN P. JR., NEW HYDE PARK, NY	09/02/97
CHLUPEK, BARBARA A., LITTLETON, CO	09/03/97
CHURCH, STEVEN D., MERIDEN, CT	08/27/97
CLARK, MARVA J., SILVER SPRING, MD	09/03/97
CONKEY, CHARLES A., WESTERVILLE, OH	09/02/97
CONLEY, JOHN C., EAST PROVIDENCE, RI	09/03/97
CONWAY-MORRIS, BETH A., FAIRFIELD, OH	09/02/97
CORRIGAN, JAMES PATRICK, CHESTER SPNGS, PA	09/03/97
COSBY, RICHARD JR., NEW ORLEANS, LA	08/26/97
DELPRADO, RICK D., DES MOINES, IA	09/02/97
DICK, DAVID W., TULSA, OK	08/26/97
DISBROW, DAVID JOSEPH, OSHKOSH, NE	08/27/97
FIGUEROA, PABLO E., INVERNESS, FL	09/03/97
FRANCUS, IRWIN N., EAST NORTHPORT, NY	09/02/97
GAVALAS, ELAINE, NEW YORK, NY	09/02/97
GIUNTA, JOSEPH VINCENT, FARMINGDALE, NY	09/02/97
GOTLIN, DOUGLAS LEE, BROOKLYN, NY	09/02/97
GROCOFF, RONALD D., LAKE MARY, FL	09/03/97
GUDAN, JOHN A. JR., KENNER, LA	08/26/97
HARRISON, WAYNE S. JR., FAIRFIELD, CT	08/27/97
HOLEC, KEVIN M., EDEN PRAIRIE, MN	09/02/97
HORNE, KEVIN L., STOCKBRIDGE, GA	09/03/97
JACKSON, LENELL R., UNION CITY, GA	09/03/97
JIMENEZ, OMAR F., MIAMI, FL	09/03/97
LAMKIN, CHRISTOPHER G., DEXTER, MI	09/02/97
LONG, ANATOLE M., HURRICANE, UT	08/27/97
MANNING, LANCE D., NEW YORK, NY	09/02/97
MIXON, BARRY B., CHICAGO, IL	08/27/97
MUSICO, JOSEPH A., LAUREL, MD	09/03/97
NUNEZ, DAVID W., MCCONNELL AFB, KS	08/27/97
ORJI, JOHN EMENIKE, MARIETTA, GA	09/03/97
PEREZ, DAYSI E., NEW YORK, NY	09/02/97

Subject, city, state	Effective date
PETROSKY, MICHAEL J., COVINGTON, LA	08/26/97
PUIG, XIOMARA, MIAMI, FL	09/03/97
RABAH, WAJIB I., AGUADILLA, PR	09/02/97
RADI, ANTHONY W., HICKSVILLE, NY	09/02/97
ROJAS, EDUARDO ANTONIO, ALTAMONTE SPRINGS, FL	09/03/97
ROTHERY, BEVERLY A., MARIETTA, OH	08/27/97
SALOMON, ALIX P., CHICAGO, IL	08/27/97
SANCIO, ELAINE D. WITTERSCHEIN, JERSEY CITY, NJ	09/02/97
SANSONE, PETER J. (SAMSONE), BROOKLYN, NY	09/02/97
SMITH, RICKEY E., JAMAICA PLAIN, MA	08/27/97
SMITH, BRENT R., SPRING ARBOR, MI	09/02/97
SNYDER, CHARLOTTE J., STOCKTON, KS	09/03/97
STONE, BRETT E., POTEAU, OK	08/26/97
THOMPSON, BYRON J., CHICAGO, IL	09/02/97
TWOMLEY, JAMES D., HOLLAND, IN	09/02/97
WALL, HOMER G., LINCOLN, NE	09/03/97
WASHINGTON, GENEVA (WALKER), DAYTON, OH	09/02/97
WELDEN, SHIRLEY J., TULSA, OK	08/26/97
SECTION 1128Aa	
RAINBOW HOME MEDICAL EQPT CO., MIAMI, FL	06/20/97
RODRIGUEZ, LEONOR, MIAMI BEACH, FL	06/20/97
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Consensus Development Conference on Effective Medical Treatment of Heroin Addiction

Notice is hereby given of the NIH Consensus Development Conference on "Effective Medical Treatment of Heroin Addiction," which will be held November 17-19, 1997, in the Natcher Conference Center of the National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Maryland 20892. The conference begins at 8:30 a.m. on November 17, at 8:30 a.m. on November 18, and at 9 a.m. on November 19.

In the United States alone, approximately one-half million people are addicted to heroin. Estimates of heroin incidence (122,000 new users) in recent years suggest an increased incidence and an emerging pattern of drug use among the young. For many years, heroin addiction has been associated with increased criminal activity and human suffering. In the past 10 years, there has been a dramatic increase in the prevalence of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), hepatitis C virus (HCV), and tuberculosis among

intravenous heroin users. From 1991 to 1995 in major metropolitan areas, the annual number of heroin-related emergency room visits has increased from 36,000 to 76,000, and the annual number of heroin-related deaths has increased from 2,300 to 4,000. The associated morbidity and mortality further underscore the human, economic, and societal cost of heroin addiction.

Over the last 20 years, a significant body of evidence has accumulated on the neurobiology of heroin addiction and on the safety and efficacy of narcotic (methadone) maintenance treatment.

Although there have been other medications (e.g., levo-alpha acetylmethadol [LAAM]) subsequently determined safe and effective in narcotic maintenance treatment, the focus of this consensus development conference will be on methadone, because methadone has been the medication used in most narcotic treatment research. Evaluation studies have consistently shown methadone treatment to be effective in reducing drug use and crime and in enhancing social productivity. More recent studies demonstrate that methadone treatment is an effective method for preventing the spread of HIV, HCV, and tuberculosis among intravenous drug users.

Most heroin users are not receiving treatment. Most recent data indicate that there are approximately 112,000 patients in narcotic maintenance treatment. Barriers exist to both access to narcotic maintenance treatment and effective treatment, despite the science on the neurobiology of heroin addiction

and the evidence demonstrating the effectiveness of treatment in reducing drug use and crime and preventing the spread of HIV and HCV. An important reason for some of these barriers is that narcotic maintenance treatment remains controversial. The science has not yet overcome the stigma of addiction and public perception about narcotic maintenance treatment.

Many members of the medical community and the public conceive of opiate addiction as a self-inflicted disease of the will, methadone treatment as mere narcotic substitution and relapses likely to follow treatment, drug-free treatment as the only valid rehabilitative method, and total abstinence from all drugs, including methadone, as the only valid treatment goal. Other obstacles include Federal and state government regulations limiting treatment providers and patient access and concerns about methadone diversion by patients and its consequences.

To address the most important and controversial issues surrounding narcotic maintenance treatment, the NIH has organized this 2½ day conference to present the available data on opiate agonist treatment for heroin addiction. The conference will bring together national and international experts in the fields of basic and clinical neuroscience, epidemiology, and natural history, prevention and treatment of heroin addiction, as well as representatives from the public.

After 1½ days of presentations and audience discussion, an independent, non-Federal consensus panel chaired by Dr. Lewis Judd, chair of the Department