

C H A R T E R

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION

Purpose

Section 301 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. Section 241) provides that the Secretary shall render assistance to public authorities in the diagnosis, treatment, control, and prevention of physical and mental diseases and impairments of persons. In doing so, the Secretary is authorized to make available information as to the practical application of research and is authorized to obtain the assistance and advice of experts and consultants. Section 311 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. Section 243) authorizes the Secretary to assist and advise State and local authorities in matters relating to the preservation and improvement of the public health.

Authority

Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. § 217a), as amended. The committee is governed by the provisions of Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

Function

The Advisory Committee on Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention shall provide advice and guidance to the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); the Assistant Secretary for Health; and the Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), regarding new scientific knowledge and technological developments and their practical implications for childhood lead poisoning prevention efforts. The committee shall also review and report regularly on childhood lead poisoning prevention practices and recommend improvements in national childhood lead poisoning prevention efforts.

Structure

The committee shall consist of 13 members, including the Chair. Members shall be selected by the Secretary from authorities knowledgeable in the fields of pediatric lead screening, diagnosis,

and medical management; laboratory issues; environmental lead hazard detection and reduction; preventive medicine; epidemiology; and public health. At least one member shall be a parent or legal guardian of individuals affected by lead poisoning. The committee shall also consist of nonvoting federal representatives from the Department of Housing and Urban Development; the Environmental Protection Agency; the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health; the Consumer Product Safety Commission; the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry; the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, CDC; the Food and Drug Administration; the Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration; the United States Agency for International Development; and such additional officials of the United States Government as the Secretary deems necessary for the committee to carry out its function. The committee shall also include nonvoting liaison representatives from the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Public Health Association, the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists, the Association of State and Territorial Public Health Laboratory Directors, the American Association of Health Plans, the American Association of Poison Control Centers, the American Industrial Hygiene Association, the Alliance for Healthy Homes, the National Center for Healthy Housing, the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, and other nonvoting liaison representatives from organizations with interests in childhood lead poisoning prevention as the Secretary deems necessary to effectively carry out the function of the committee.

Members shall be invited to serve for overlapping terms of up to four years, except that any member appointed to fill a vacancy for an unexpired term shall be appointed for the remainder of that term. Terms of more than two years are contingent upon the renewal of the committee by appropriate action prior to its termination. A member may serve 180 days after the expiration of that member's term if a successor has not taken office.

Subcommittees may be established from time to time. The Department Committee Management Officer will be notified upon establishment of each subcommittee, and will be provided information on its name, membership, function, and estimated frequency of meetings.

Management and support services shall be provided by the Office of the Director, National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, CDC.

Meetings

Meetings shall be held approximately two times per year at the call of the Chair with the advance approval of a Government official, who shall also approve the agenda. A Government official shall be present at all meetings.

Meetings shall be open to the public except as determined otherwise by the Secretary, HHS, or other official to whom the authority has been delegated; notice of all meetings shall be given to the public.

Meetings shall be conducted, and records of the proceedings kept, as required by applicable laws and Departmental regulations.

Compensation

Members who are not full-time Federal employees shall be paid at the rate of \$250 per day, plus per diem and travel expenses in accordance with Standard Government Travel Regulations.

Annual Cost Estimate

Estimated annual cost for operating the committee, including compensation and travel expenses for members, but excluding staff support, is \$210,002. Estimate of annual person-years of staff support required is 1.4, at an estimated annual cost of \$129,999.

Reports

In the event a portion of a meeting is closed to the public, a report shall be prepared annually, which shall contain, as a minimum, a list of members and their business addresses; the committee's function, dates and places of meetings; and summary of committee activities and recommendations made during the fiscal year. A copy of the report shall be provided to the Department Committee Management Officer.

Termination Date

Unless renewed by appropriate action prior to its expiration, the Advisory Committee on Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention will terminate on October 31, 2007.

APPROVED:

Date

Director
Management Analysis and Services Office