

(SCHIP), Medicaid, Title V of the Social Security Act, Titles I, II, III, and IV of the Ryan White CARE Act) to evaluate the effectiveness of these programs; building upon integrated public health infrastructures which use data to address public health issues of the States; reducing the rate of uninsurance; addressing the unmet needs of the uninsured; addressing ways to facilitate comprehension and participation of low income families in the health care system; improving the quality of care delivered by health care providers; improving the health status of vulnerable populations; and serving as a mechanism to address agency and departmental initiatives, such as oral health and mental health.

(d) Convene small group meetings comprised of selected State program officials and other key stakeholders to address key SCHIP/Medicaid/Title V issues, effective integration of States' activities under SCHIP with HRSA program activities, SCHIP outreach assessment, and emerging issues, such as options for States to provide family coverage and employer-subsidized coverage.

(e) Participate in HRSA-sponsored meetings and events, as appropriate.

(f) Coordinate activities with State and local health department contacts, including public health experts, to ensure that NGA members are aware of public health programs and activities in their State or region.

Where To Obtain Additional Information

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

This notice amends Part R of the Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Health Resources and

Services Administration (60 FR 56605 as amended November 6, 1995, as last amended at 64 FR 69274 dated December 10, 1999). This notice reflects the organizational and functional changes in the West Central Field Cluster (RF4).

Section RF-10—Organization

The West Central Field Cluster is headed up by the Field Director who reports directly to the Associate Administrator, Office of Field Operations. The West Central Field Cluster is organized as follows:

- A. Immediate Office of the Field Director.
- B. Office of Planning, Analysis and Evaluation.
- C. Division of Operations I.
- D. Division of Operations II.
- E. Division of Operations III.

Section RF-20—Function

Immediate Office of the Field Director (RF 43)

Serves as HRSA's senior public health official in the West Central cluster, providing liaison with State and local health officials as well as professional organizations; (2) provides input from local, regional and state perspectives to assist the Administrator and the Associate Administrators in the formulation, development, analysis and evaluation of HRSA programs and initiatives; (3) at the direction of the Administrator and/or in conjunction with the HRSA Associate Administrators and the Associate Administrator, Office of Field Operations, coordinates the field implementation of special initiatives which involve multiple HRSA programs and/or field offices (e.g., Border Health); (4) assists with the implementation of HRSA programs in the field by supporting the coordination of activities, alerting program officials of potential issues and assessing policies and service delivery systems; (5) represents the Administrator in working with other Federal agencies, state and local health departments, schools of public health, primary care associations and organizations, community health centers, and others in coordinating health programs and activities; and (6) exercises line management authority as delegated from the Administrator for general administrative and management functions within the field structure.

Office of Planning, Analysis and Evaluation (RF44)

Provides technical assistance, consultation, training to Field Cluster staff, grantees related to data systems,

planning, and evaluation; (2) serves as focal point for States and Agency grantees on data and data systems issues related to HRSA program requirements; (3) develops statistical profiles of HRSA grantees in the region, and analysis of Geographic Information Systems profiles and other profiles developed by federal, state and local agencies in the region; (4) develops State profiles; (5) conducts and disseminates, as appropriate, trend analysis of financial data, health indicators, and service data to identify emerging trends among HRSA grantees and health service catchment areas in the Southeast; (6) provides consultation and support to private nonprofit organizations involved in health care delivery around special studies, research, and evaluation related to health disparities; (7) analyzes program related reports; and (8) maintains Field Cluster program related database.

Division of Operations I (RF45)

Directs and coordinates field development and implementation of HRSA programs and activities in two states within the West Central Field Cluster designed to increase access, capacity, and capabilities of local and state health systems and programs serving the underserved populations in the states served by the cluster, including primary care programs, maternal and child health, HIV/AIDS, health facilities construction under the Hill-Burton Program, rural health, and other health related programs in the cluster; (2) provides continuous program monitoring of HRSA health service grants and contracts for compliance with applicable laws, regulations, policies, and performance standards; (3) assists in the implementation and monitors policies related to National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs; (4) provides for development, implementation, and monitoring of the annual field work plan related to assigned program areas, including setting objectives responsive to national and field priorities based on guidance provided by appropriate HRSA bureau components and assigns division resources required to attain these objectives; (5) coordinates with other field office staff and headquarters staff to develop and consolidate objectives crossing program and division lines; (6) serves as source of expertise on health resources and services development, primary health care, maternal and child health, rural health, HIV/AIDS, and health professions programs; (7) establishes effective communication and working relationships with health-

related organizations of States and other jurisdictions; and (8) serves as a focal point for information on health resource programs and related efforts, including voluntary, professional, academic and other private sector activities.

Division of Operations II (RF46)

Directs and coordinates field development and implementation of programs and activities in three states within the West Central Field Cluster designed to increase access, capacity, and capabilities of local and state health systems and programs serving the underserved populations in the states served by the cluster, including primary care programs, maternal and child health, HIV/AIDS, health facilities construction under the Hill-Burton Program, rural health, and other health related programs in the cluster; (2) provides continuous program monitoring of HRSA health service grants and contracts for compliance with applicable laws, regulations, policies, and performance standards; (3) assists in the implementation and monitors policies related to National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs; (4) provides for development, implementation, and monitoring of the annual field work plan related to assigned program areas, including setting objectives responsive to national and field priorities based on guidance provided by appropriate HRSA bureau components and assigns division resources required to attain these objectives; (5) coordinates with other field office staff and headquarters staff to develop and consolidate objectives crossing program and division lines; (6) serves as source of expertise on health resources and services development, primary health care, maternal and child health, rural health, HIV/AIDS, and health professions programs; (7) establishes effective communication and working relationships with health-related organizations of States and other jurisdictions; and (8) serves as a focal point for information on health resource programs and related efforts, including voluntary, professional, academic and other private sector activities.

Division of Operations III (RF47)

Directs and coordinates field development and implementation of programs and activities in six states within the West Central Field Cluster designed to increase access, capacity, and capabilities of local and state health systems and programs serving the underserved populations in the states served by the cluster, including primary care programs, maternal and child

health, HIV/AIDS, health facilities construction under the Hill-Burton Program, rural health, and other health related programs in the cluster; (2) provides continuous program monitoring of HRSA health service grants and contracts for compliance with applicable laws, regulations, policies, and performance standards; (3) assists in the implementation and monitors policies related to National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs; (4) provides for development, implementation, and monitoring of the annual field work plan related to assigned program areas, including setting objectives responsive to national and field priorities based on guidance provided by appropriate HRSA bureau components and assigns division resources required to attain these objectives; (5) coordinates with other field office staff and headquarters staff to develop and consolidate objectives crossing program and division lines; (6) serves as source of expertise on health resources and services development, primary health care, maternal and child health, rural health, HIV/AIDS, and health professions programs; (7) establishes effective communication and working relationships with health-related organizations of States and other jurisdictions; and (8) serves as a focal point for information on health resource programs and related efforts, including voluntary, professional, academic and other private sector activities.

Section RF-30 Delegations of Authority

All delegations and redelegations of authority which were in effect immediately prior to the effective date hereof have been continued in effect in them or their successors pending further redelegation.

This reorganization is effective upon the date of signature.

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Claude Earl Fox,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of Inspector General

Program Exclusions: January 2000

AGENCY: Office of Inspector General, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of program exclusions.

During the month of January 2000, 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, and all Federal Health Care 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	
ANDERSON, DANIEL HENRY LEAWOOD, KS	02/20/00
ANELLO, ANDREW FLORAL PARK, NY	02/20/00
ATKINSON, ROBERT W BREA, CA	08/18/99
BRITO, MARIANELA MIAMI, FL	02/20/00
DUCRO, THOMAS A BREWSTER, MA	02/20/00
EL-ATTAR, MOHAMED A SOUTHFIELD, MI	02/20/00
HUTTO, DAVID TUCKER, GA	02/20/00
JAIN, SWARAN K LANSING, KS	02/20/00
LAHUE, RONALD H LEAWOOD, KS	02/20/00
LAHUE, ROBERT C STILWELL, KS	02/20/00
LUTHER, CHARLES EDWARDSVILLE, IL	02/20/00
MCQUEEN, VELDA LYNN VICTORVILLE, CA	02/20/00
PAYETTE, TAMMY LEE PASADENA, CA	02/20/00
PERKINS, CASSANDRA PAULA LOS ANGELES, CA	02/20/00
PICARD, PAUL D MELBOURNE, FL	02/20/00
SANTER, MARJORIE ANN FRESNO, CA	02/20/00
SAUCIER, BILLY GRANADA HILLS, CA	02/20/00
SINGH, TARVINDER YUBA CITY, CA	02/20/00
TARASSOUM, MARY R STONE MOUNTAIN, GA	02/20/00
TIPPETT, PAUL WINSTON VIDALIA, GA	02/20/00
TORRETTI, MICHAEL C RAMONA, CA	02/20/00
WALLO, GARY J JR WALLO, GARY J JR	02/20/00