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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Docket No. CDC-2020-0047]

**Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee
(HICPAC)**

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

ACTION: Notice of meeting and request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the CDC announces the following meeting for the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC). This meeting is open to the public, limited only by audio phone lines available. The public is welcome to listen to the meeting by teleconference; 200 teleconference lines are available, and registration is required.

DATES: The meeting will be held on May 15, 2020, 3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., EDT.

Written comments must be received on or before May 13, 2020.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC-2020-0047 by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal:
<https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Koo-Whang Chung, M.P.H., Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., MS H16-3, Atlanta, Georgia 30329-4027, Attn: HICPAC meeting.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the Agency name and Docket Number. All relevant comments received in conformance with the <https://www.regulations.gov> suitability policy will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <https://www.regulations.gov>. Written comments received in advance of the meeting will be included in the official record of the meeting.

Meeting information: The teleconference access is 1-800-857-4261, and the passcode is 8109424. Registration is

required. Interested parties may register at <https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Koo-Whang Chung, M.P.H., HICPAC, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, NCEZID, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., MS H16-3, Atlanta, Georgia 30329-4027; Telephone: 404-639-4000; Email: hicpac@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose: The Committee is charged with providing advice and guidance to the Director, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion (DHQP), the Director, National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID), the Director, CDC, the Secretary, Health and Human Services regarding 1) the practice of healthcare infection prevention and control; 2) strategies for surveillance, prevention, and control of infections, antimicrobial resistance, and related events in settings where healthcare is provided; and 3) periodic updating of CDC guidelines and other policy statements regarding prevention of healthcare-associated infections and healthcare-related conditions.

Public Participation

Procedure for Public Comment: Time will be available for public comment. Members of the public who wish to provide public comments should plan to attend the public comment session at the start time listed. Please note that

the public comment period may end before the time indicated, following the last call for comments.

Written Public Comment: The public is welcome to submit written comments in advance of the meeting. Comments should be submitted on or before May 13, 2020. All requests must contain the name and organizational affiliation of the speaker, as well as the topic being addressed. Written comments should not exceed one single-spaced typed page in length. Written comments received in advance of the meeting will be included in the official record of the meeting. Comments received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and are subject to public disclosure. Comments will be posted on <https://www.regulations.gov>. Therefore, do not include any information in your comment or supporting materials that you consider confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure. If you include your name, contact information, or other information that identifies you in the body of your comments, that information will be on public display. CDC will review all submissions and may choose to redact, or withhold, submissions containing private or proprietary information such as Social Security numbers, medical information, inappropriate language, or duplicate/near duplicate examples

of a mass-mail campaign. CDC will carefully consider all comments submitted to the docket.

Matters to be Considered: The agenda will include updates from the HICPAC Long-term Care/Post-acute Care Workgroup related to COVID-19 in U.S. long-term care facilities. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

The Director, Strategic Business Initiatives Unit, 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.

Dated: April 27, 2020.

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