



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, March 14, 2024, from 11:15 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held virtually.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jaime Zimmerman, Designated Federal Official, at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 5600 Fishers Lane, Mail Stop 06E37A, Rockville, Maryland, 20857, (301) 427-1456. For press-related information, please contact Bruce Seeman at (301) 427-1998 or Bruce.Seeman@AHRQ.hhs.gov.

Closed captioning will be provided during the meeting. If another reasonable accommodation for a disability is needed, please contact the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Office of Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity Management on (301) 827-4840, no later than Thursday, February 29, 2024. The agenda, roster, and minutes will be available from Jenny Griffith, Committee Management Officer, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland, 20857. Jenny Griffith's phone number is (240) 446-6799.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Purpose

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality (the Council). 5 U.S.C. 1009. The Council is authorized by section 941 of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 299c. In

accordance with its statutory mandate, the Council is to advise the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Director of AHRQ on matters related to AHRQ's conduct of its mission including providing guidance on (A) priorities for health care research, (B) the field of health care research including training needs and information dissemination on health care quality and (C) the role of the Agency in light of private sector activity and opportunities for public private partnerships. The Council is composed of members of the public, appointed by the Secretary, and Federal ex-officio members specified in the authorizing legislation.

II. Agenda

On Thursday, March 14, 2024, NAC members will meet to conduct preparatory work prior to convening the Council meeting at 11:15 a.m., with the call to order by the Council Chair, an introduction of NAC members, and approval of previous Council summary notes. The NAC members will then receive an update from the AHRQ Director. The agenda will also include updates on the Subcommittee of the National Advisory Council (SNAC) for AHRQ's Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Trust Fund (PCORTF) Investments, the 20th Anniversary of Digital Healthcare, an update on the National Action Alliance to Advance Patient and Workforce Safety, and a discussion on diagnostic safety. The meeting is open to the public and will adjourn at 4 p.m. For information regarding how to access the meeting as well as other meeting details, including information on how to make a public comment, please go to <https://www.ahrq.gov/news/events/nac/>. The final agenda will be available on the AHRQ website no later than Thursday, March 7, 2024.

Dated: February 12, 2024.

Marquita Cullom,

Associate Director.