

CFR 225.41) to acquire shares of a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than November 15, 2010.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Colette A. Fried, Assistant Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Marcelo L. Sacomori*, London, England; to acquire additional voting shares of Granville Bancshares, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire additional voting shares of Granville National Bank, both of Granville, Illinois and Sheridan State Bank, Sheridan, Illinois.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Dennis Denney, Assistant Vice President) 1 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Larry L. Bingham*, Baxter Springs, Kansas; *Ross C. Hartley*, Teton Village, Wyoming; *Fred Mitchelson*, Pittsburg, Kansas; and *Bob L. Robinson*, Baxter Springs, Kansas; to acquire control of American BancShares, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire control of American Bank of Baxter Springs, both of Baxter Springs, Kansas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 26, 2010.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the

Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than November 26, 2010.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (Dennis Denney, Assistant Vice President) 1 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *JRMB II, Inc.*, Lawton, Oklahoma; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 82.97 percent of the voting shares of *J.R. Montgomery Bancorporation*, Lawton, Oklahoma, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of *City National Bank and Trust Company*, Lawton, Oklahoma, and *Fort Sill National Bank*, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 26, 2010.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Implementation of Section 5001 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-5) for Adjustments to the Fourth Quarter of Fiscal Year 2010 Federal Medical Assistance Percentage Rates for Federal Matching Shares for Medicaid and Title IV-E Foster Care, Adoption Assistance and Guardianship Assistance Programs

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides the adjusted Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2010 (FY10) as required under Section 5001 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Section 5001 of the ARRA provides for temporary increases

in the FMAP rates to provide fiscal relief to States and to protect and maintain State Medicaid and certain other assistance programs in a period of economic downturn. The increased FMAP rates apply during a recession adjustment period that was originally defined in ARRA as the period beginning October 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2010. Public Law 111-226 amended ARRA to extend the recession adjustment period to June 30, 2011 and to extend the hold harmless provision that prevents a State's FMAP rate from decreasing due to a lower unemployment rate from the calendar quarter ending before July 1, 2010 to the calendar quarter ending before January 1, 2011. Public Law 111-226 also provided for a phase-down of the general FMAP increase in the last two quarters of the extended recession adjustment period, and changed the methodology for calculating the unemployment adjustment for those quarters.

DATES: *Effective Date:* The percentages listed are for the fourth quarter of FY10 beginning July 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010.

A. Background

The FMAP is used to determine the amount of Federal matching for specified State expenditures for assistance payments under programs under the Social Security Act ("the Act"). Sections 1905(b) and 1101(a)(8)(B) of the Act require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to publish the FMAP rates each year. The Secretary calculates the percentages using formulas in sections 1905(b) and 1101(a)(8)(B), and statistics from the Department of Commerce of average income per person in each State and for the Nation as a whole. The percentages must be within the upper and lower limits given in section 1905(b) of the Act. The percentages to be applied to the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands are specified separately in the Act, and thus are not based on the statutory formula that determines the percentages for the 50 States.

Section 1905(b) of the Act specifies the formula for calculating the FMAP as follows:

The FMAP for any State shall be 100 percent less the State percentage; and the State percentage shall be that percentage which bears the same ratio to 45 percent as the square of the per capita income of such State bears to the square of the per capita income of the continental United States (including Alaska) and Hawaii; except that (1) the FMAP shall in no case be less than

50 per centum or more than 83 per centum, and (2) the FMAP for Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa shall be 50 per centum.

Section 4725 of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 amended section 1905(b) to provide that the FMAP for the District of Columbia for purposes of titles XIX (Medicaid) and XXI (CHIP) shall be 70 percent. The Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA) (Pub. L. 110-275) amended the FMAP applied to the District of Columbia for maintenance payments under title IV-E programs to make it consistent with the 70 percent Medicaid match rate.

Section 5001 of Division B of the ARRA provides for a temporary increase in FMAP rates for Medicaid and title IV-E Foster Care, Adoption Assistance and Guardianship Assistance programs. The purpose of the increases to the FMAP rates is to provide fiscal relief to States and to protect and maintain State Medicaid and certain other assistance programs in a period of economic downturn, referred to as the "recession adjustment period." The recession adjustment period is defined as the period beginning October 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2010. Public Law 111-226 extends the recession adjustment period to June 30, 2011.

B. Calculation of the Increased FMAP Rates Under ARRA

Section 5001 of the ARRA specifies that the FMAP rates shall be temporarily increased for the following: (1) Maintenance of FMAP rates for FY09, FY10, and the first three calendar quarters of FY11, so that the FMAP rate will not decrease from the prior year, determined by using as the FMAP rate for the current year, the greater of any prior fiscal year FMAP rates between 2008-2010 or the rate calculated for the current fiscal year; (2) in addition to any maintenance increase, the application of a general percentage point increase in each State's FMAP of 6.2 percentage points (decreasing during the last two quarters of the extended recession adjustment period); and (3) an additional percentage point increase based on the State's increase in unemployment during the recession adjustment period. The resulting increased FMAP cannot exceed 100 percent. Each State's FMAP will be recalculated each fiscal quarter beginning October 2008. Availability of certain components of the increased FMAP is conditioned on States meeting statutory programmatic requirements, such as the maintenance of effort requirement, which are not part of the calculation process.

Expenditures for which the increased FMAP is not available under title XIX include expenditures for disproportionate share hospital payments, certain eligibility expansions, services received through an IHS or Tribal facility (which are already paid at a rate of 100 percent and therefore not subject to increase), and expenditures that are paid at an enhanced FMAP rate. The increased FMAP is available for expenditures under part E of title IV (including Foster Care, Adoption Assistance and Guardianship Assistance programs) only to the extent of a maintenance increase (hold harmless), if any, and the general percentage point increase. The increased FMAP does not apply to other parts of title IV, including part D (Child Support Enforcement Program).

For title XIX purposes only, for each qualifying State with an unemployment rate that has increased at a rate above the statutory threshold percentage, ARRA provides additional relief above the general percentage point increase in FMAP through application of a separate increase calculation. For those States, the FMAP for each qualifying State is increased by the number of percentage points equal to the product of the State matching percentage (as calculated under section 1905(b) and adjusted if necessary for the maintenance of FMAP without reduction from the prior year, and after applying half of the general percentage point increase in the Federal percentage) and the applicable percent determined from the State unemployment increase percentage for the quarter.

The unemployment increase percentage for calendar quarters other than the last two quarters of the recession adjustment period is equal to the number of percentage points (if any) by which the average monthly unemployment rate for the State in the most recent previous 3-consecutive-month period for which data are available exceeds the lowest average monthly unemployment rate for the State for any 3-consecutive-month period beginning on or after January 1, 2006.

A State qualifies for additional relief based on an increase in unemployment if that State's unemployment increase percentage is at least 1.5 percentage points. A different but related methodology for an unemployment adjustment applies for the last two quarters of the recession adjustment period.

The applicable percent is: (1) 5.5 percent if the State unemployment increase percentage is at least 1.5 percentage points but less than 2.5

percentage points; (2) 8.5 percent if the State unemployment increase percentage is at least 2.5 percentage points but less than 3.5 percentage points; and (3) 11.5 percent if the State unemployment increase percentage is at least 3.5 percentage points.

If the State's applicable percent is less than the applicable percent for the preceding quarter, then the higher applicable percent shall continue in effect for any calendar quarter beginning on or after January 1, 2009 and ending before January 1, 2011, as amended by Public Law 111-226. This hold harmless provision is not in effect from January 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011.

Under section 5001(b)(2) of ARRA, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and America Samoa were given the option to make a special one-time election between (1) a 30 percent increase in their cap on Medicaid payments (as determined under subsections (f) and (g) of section 1108 of the Act), or (2) applying the general 6.2 percentage point increase in the FMAP plus a 15 percent increase in the cap on Medicaid payments. There is no quarterly unemployment adjustment for territories. All territories and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands elected the 30 percent increase in their spending cap on Medicaid payments; therefore there is no recalculation of their FMAP rate.

D. Adjusted FMAPs for the Fourth Quarter of FY2010

ARRA adjustments to FMAPs are shown by State in the accompanying table. The hold harmless FY10 FMAP is the higher of the original FY08, FY09, or FY10 FMAP. The 6.2 percentage point increase is added to the hold harmless FY10 FMAP. The unemployment adjustment is calculated according to the unemployment tier and added to the hold harmless FY10 FMAP with the 6.2 percentage point increase.

For the fourth quarter of FY10, the unemployment tier is determined by comparing the average unemployment rate for the three consecutive months preceding the start of the fiscal quarter to the lowest consecutive 3-month average unemployment rate beginning January 1, 2006. If the State's applicable percent is less than the applicable percent for the third quarter of FY10, then the higher applicable percent shall continue for the fourth quarter of FY10.

As indicated in the August 4, 2009 **Federal Register** Notice that proposed the methodology for the FMAP unemployment adjustment calculations (74 FR 38630), we utilize annual updates to the historical Bureau of

Labor Statistics (BLS) data to make changes to the States' lowest unemployment rate beginning with the fourth quarter FMAP rate adjustment calculation each year. As such, the rates calculated and presented in the accompanying table are based on updates to the historical BLS data used to determine the States' average lowest unemployment rate for any 3

consecutive months beginning January 1, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Carrie Shelton or Thomas Musco, Office of Health Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Room 447D—Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201, (202) 690–6870.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.778: Medical Assistance Program; 93.658: Foster Care; 93.659: Adoption Assistance; 93.090: Guardianship Assistance)

Dated: September 22, 2010.

Kathleen Sebelius,
Secretary.

ARRA ADJUSTMENTS TO FMAP Q4 FY10

State	Hold harmless FY10	Hold harmless FY10 FMAP with 6.2% pt increase	4th Quarter FY10 unemployment tier	4th Quarter FY10 unemployment adjustment	4th Quarter FY10 FMAP unemployment adjustment	4th Quarter FY10 FMAP unemployment hold harmless
Alabama	68.01	74.21	11.5	3.32	77.53	77.53
Alaska	52.48	58.68	5.5	2.44	61.12	62.46
Arizona	66.20	72.40	11.5	3.53	75.93	75.93
Arkansas	72.94	79.14	8.5	2.04	81.18	81.18
California	50.00	56.20	11.5	5.39	61.59	61.59
Colorado	50.00	56.20	11.5	5.39	61.59	61.59
Connecticut	50.00	56.20	11.5	5.39	61.59	61.59
Delaware	50.21	56.41	11.5	5.37	61.78	61.78
Dist. of Columbia	70.00	76.20	11.5	3.09	79.29	79.29
Florida	56.83	63.03	11.5	4.61	67.64	67.64
Georgia	65.10	71.30	11.5	3.66	74.96	74.96
Hawaii	56.50	62.70	11.5	4.65	67.35	67.35
Idaho	69.87	76.07	11.5	3.11	79.18	79.18
Illinois	50.32	56.52	11.5	5.36	61.88	61.88
Indiana	65.93	72.13	11.5	3.56	75.69	75.69
Iowa	63.51	69.71	8.5	2.84	72.55	72.55
Kansas	60.38	66.58	8.5	3.10	69.68	69.68
Kentucky	70.96	77.16	11.5	2.98	80.14	80.14
Louisiana	72.47	78.67	8.5	2.08	80.75	81.48
Maine	64.99	71.19	11.5	3.67	74.86	74.86
Maryland	50.00	56.20	11.5	5.39	61.59	61.59
Massachusetts	50.00	56.20	11.5	5.39	61.59	61.59
Michigan	63.19	69.39	11.5	3.88	73.27	73.27
Minnesota	50.00	56.20	8.5	3.99	60.19	61.59
Mississippi	76.29	82.49	11.5	2.37	84.86	84.86
Missouri	64.51	70.71	11.5	3.72	74.43	74.43
Montana	68.53	74.73	11.5	3.26	77.99	77.99
Nebraska	60.56	66.76	5.5	2.00	68.76	68.76
Nevada	52.64	58.84	11.5	5.09	63.93	63.93
New Hampshire	50.00	56.20	8.5	3.99	60.19	61.59
New Jersey	50.00	56.20	11.5	5.39	61.59	61.59
New Mexico	71.35	77.55	11.5	2.94	80.49	80.49
New York	50.00	56.20	11.5	5.39	61.59	61.59
North Carolina	65.13	71.33	11.5	3.65	74.98	74.98
North Dakota	63.75	69.95	0	0.00	69.95	69.95
Ohio	63.42	69.62	11.5	3.85	73.47	73.47
Oklahoma	67.10	73.30	11.5	3.43	76.73	76.73
Oregon	62.74	68.94	11.5	3.93	72.87	72.87
Pennsylvania	54.81	61.01	11.5	4.84	65.85	65.85
Rhode Island	52.63	58.83	11.5	5.09	63.92	63.92
South Carolina	70.32	76.52	11.5	3.06	79.58	79.58
South Dakota	62.72	68.92	5.5	1.88	70.80	70.80
Tennessee	65.57	71.77	11.5	3.60	75.37	75.37
Texas	60.56	66.76	11.5	4.18	70.94	70.94
Utah	71.68	77.88	11.5	2.90	80.78	80.78
Vermont	59.45	65.65	8.5	3.18	68.83	69.96
Virginia	50.00	56.20	11.5	5.39	61.59	61.59
Washington	51.52	57.72	11.5	5.22	62.94	62.94
West Virginia	74.25	80.45	11.5	2.60	83.05	83.05
Wisconsin	60.21	66.41	11.5	4.22	70.63	70.63
Wyoming	50.00	56.20	11.5	5.39	61.59	61.59

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

NIAID Blue Ribbon Panel Meeting on Adjuvant Discovery and Development

Notice is hereby given that the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), a component of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), will convene a Blue Ribbon Panel to provide expertise in developing a strategic plan and research agenda for the discovery, development and clinical evaluation of adjuvants for use with preventive vaccines. NIAID has developed a draft Strategic Plan and Research Agenda for Adjuvant Discovery and Development, which summarizes the current status of research in the field of preventive vaccine adjuvants, identifies gaps in knowledge and capabilities, and defines NIAID's goals for the continued discovery, development and application of adjuvants for human vaccines that protect against infectious disease. The Panel will review the draft Strategic Plan and Research Agenda and recommend ways the NIAID can enhance its adjuvant research programs.

DATES: November 17–18, 2010.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location is: Rockville—Hilton Hotel (Roosevelt Room), 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20850.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Grace Tollini-Farrell, 301-496-7551.

Dated: October 21, 2010.

Daniel Rotrosen,

Director, Division of Allergy, Immunology and Transplantation, NIAID, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Toxicology Program (NTP); Office of Liaison, Policy and Review; Meeting of the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors: Amended Notice

AGENCY: National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), National Institutes of Health, HHS.

ACTION: Extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The NTP announces an amended date for submission of written public comments for the November 30–December 1, 2010 meeting of the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors (BSC). Information regarding the BSC meeting was published on October 19, 2010, in the *Federal Register* (75 FR 201) and is available on the BSC meeting page (<http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/165>). The guidelines and deadlines published in this *Federal Register* notice still apply, except that the deadline for submission of written comments is extended to November 16, 2010.

DATES: The BSC meeting will be held on November 30–December 1, 2010. The deadline for submission of written comments and for pre-registration to attend the meeting, including registering to present oral comments, is November 16, 2010.

ADDRESSES: The BSC meeting will be held in the Rodbell Auditorium, Rall Building at the NIEHS, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. Public comments on all agenda topics and any other correspondence should be submitted to Dr. Lori White, Designated Federal Officer for the BSC, NTP Office of Liaison, Policy and Review, NIEHS, P.O. Box 12233, K2-03, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709; telephone: 919-541-9834; fax: 919-541-0295; whiteltd@niehs.nih.gov. Courier address: NIEHS, 530 Davis Drive, Room K2136, Morrisville, NC 27560.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Lori D. White (telephone: 919-541-9834 or whiteltd@niehs.nih.gov).

Dated: October 21, 2010.

John R. Bucher,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is publishing the following summary of proposed

collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan Program Solicitation and Contractor's Proposal Package; *Use:* The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is requesting a renewal of this package by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB); specifically, HHS is now seeking a three-year approval for this collection. On March 23, 2010, the President signed into law H.R. 3590, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Affordable Care Act), Public Law 111-148. Section 1101 of the law establishes a "temporary high risk health insurance pool program" (which has been named the Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan, or PCIP) to provide health insurance coverage to currently uninsured individuals with pre-existing conditions. The law authorizes HHS to carry out the program directly or through contracts with States or private, non-profit entities.

This package renewal is requested as a result of a possible transition in administration of the program from a Federally-run to a State administered program. A State who originally decided to have HHS administer the program in their State may in the future notify HHS of their desire to administer the Pre-Existing Condition Plan (PCIP) program. PCIP is also referred to as the temporary qualified high risk insurance pool program, as it is called in the Affordable Care Act, but we have adopted the term PCIP to better describe the program and avoid confusion with the existing State high risk pool programs. *Form Number:* CMS-10319 (OMB#: 0938-1085); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* State governments; *Number of Respondents:* 2; *Total Annual Responses:* 2; *Total Annual Hours:* 2,992. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Laura Dash at 301-492-4296. For all other issues call 410-786-1326.)