DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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TO: The Record
Health Facilities Advisory Committee (HFAC)
Members

FROM: Recording Secretary
HFAC

SUBJECT: Minutes of May 12, 1993 HFAC Conference Meeting

Members and Attendance:

CAPT Gary K. Radtke, IHS/DFPC, Chairman *
CAPT Kenneth Harper, OES-X/WA *
CAPT Gordon Wilcox for CAPT Thomas Gallegos, OES-VI/TX
Mr. Emilio Pucillo, OES-II/NY *
CAPT John Delapp, IHS/AK (absent)
CDR Gary McFarland, IHS/MT *
CDR Alan Petersen, IHS/DFM *
CAPT Dennis Taylor, IHS/NM (absent)
CAPT George Byrns, IHS/OEH *
(* - voting members)

Guests: Mr. Jim Biasco, IHS/DFPC
Mr. Jay Farmwald, IHS/AK

INTRODUCTIONS

Meeting, via conference call, started at 12:30 p.m. Total present: 10; voting members present: 6. Minutes of April 7, 1993 meeting were approved. The following agenda was presented:

I. Items for discussion:

A. Isolation Rooms
B. Asbestos Abatement
C. Alternate Power for Health Facilities

II. Next Meeting and consensus

GUIDELINES SUBMITTED

Isolation Rooms: CAPT Byrns discussed some criteria requirements for the Isolation Room. The general consensus is to provide doors from the corridor to anteroom, and from the anteroom to the patient room. Motion by CAPT. Harper to adopt this criteria, and was seconded by CDR. McFarland. All 6 members voted in favor of adopting this criteria. The IHS Health Facilities Planning Manual (HFPM) will be modified accordingly. Issues for the Isolation Rooms will be addressed under the DFPC Guideline No. 19.

Asbestos Abatement: Motion by CDR. Petersen to adopt Managing Asbestos In Place, A Building Owner's Guide to Operations and Maintenance Programs For Asbestos-Containing Materials, US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), latest edition. Seconded by CAPT. Byrns. All 6 members voted to adopt this guideline as noted. Each Area Office will develop their asbestos management program, using the latest EPA guideline. This guideline will be issued accordingly as a reference manual in the IHS Technical Handbook. DFM-HQ will develop an IHS Technical Handbook Chapter.

Alternate Power For Health Facilities: OES Seattle developed the proposed Technical Handbook Chapter but since all members had not received a copy for review, discussions were postponed until next month.

Other Issues: CAPT. Radtke assigned the remaining items as follows:

NO: D-3, Design Review Meetings: Checklist and Definitions for 35%, 50%, 75%, 99%, 100%. Submittal for Review and Meetings (OES-VI/TX)

NO: D-21, EPA Guideline on Storm Runoff (OES-VI/TX)

NO: D-22, On-site Incineration (~~DFPC-HQ~~ DFm-HQ)

NEXT MEETING

The next conference call will be **June 2, 1993, Wednesday, 12:00 PM EST.** Please be prepared to discuss the following guidelines:

I. Isolation Rooms and Tuberculosis Control - Controlling Transmission of Tuberculosis in Health Care Facilities: Ventilation, Filtration, and Ultraviolet Air Disinfection and Improving Hospital Ventilation System for Tuberculosis Infection Control. (Attachment 1).

II. Alternate Power For Health Facilities

III. Nitrous Oxide

Meeting was adjourned **1:30 PM EST.**

Respectfully submitted,

Henry D. Cruz

Attachment 1