

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Health and Health Resource Indicators of Farm and Rural Household Well-Being

Type of Report
(ERR, EIB, EB) EIB

Influential Scientific Information

Agency: Economic Research Service Highly Influential Scientific Assessment
USDA

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Subject of Review: Improving the U.S. health care system—in terms of accessibility and cost—is a critical component of well-being. In order to design policy that can solve current problems with the system, decision makers need to understand the disparities in health outcomes that currently exist, along with how different factors (including health care access, personal health behaviors, and environmental/community factors) contribute to the disparities. This report focuses on the population of farm operator households, relative to all U.S. households, with particular attention to how health outcomes and health access of both groups vary with degree of rurality. Because farm households are located within a range of rural settings, they provide an interesting case study.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: Panel Review Individual Reviewers

Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 10/02/08 End: 01/07/09 Completed: 05/15/09

Number of Reviewers: 3 or fewer 4 to 10 More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: Agency Designated Outside
Organization

Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? Yes No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? Yes No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? Yes No