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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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), Department of Health and Human Services, 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 function; (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: New collection (request for a new OMB control number). Title of Information Collection: The Home and Community-Based Service (HCBS) Experience Survey. Use: This study is a one-time pilot field test involving individuals who receive HCBS from Medicaid programs. The field test will be conducted for the following purposes: (a) To assess survey methodology – to determine how well a face-to-face survey and telephone survey performs with individuals who receive HCBS services; (b) Psychometric Analysis – to provide information for the revision and shortening of the survey based on the assessment of the reliability and construct validity of survey items and composites; and (c) Case

mix adjustment analysis – to assess the variables that may be considered as case mix adjusters. These preliminary research activities are not required by regulation, and will not be used by CMS to regulate or sanction its customers. They will be entirely voluntary and the confidentiality of respondents and their responses will be preserved.

The information collected will be used to revise and test the survey instrument described in the Background section of the PRA package's Supporting Statement. Within the PRA package, Attachment B includes two versions of the survey (one modified for accessibility) and Attachment C has the introductory information. The end result will be an improvement in information collection instruments and in the quality of data collected, a reduction or minimization of respondent burden, increased agency efficiency, and improved responsiveness to the public. Following the field test, CMS will seek approval from the CAHPS consortium for the HCBS Experience Survey to be a new addition to the CAHPS® family of surveys. Form Number: CMS- 10389 (OCN 0938-New). Frequency: Once. Affected Public: Individuals and Households. Number of Respondents: 18,000. Total Annual Responses: 18,000. Total Annual Hours: 9,000. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Anita Yuskauskas at 410-786-0268. For all other issues call 410-786-1326.)

2. Type of Information Collection Request: Revision of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Medicare Enrollment Application - Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) Suppliers Use: The primary function of the CMS 855S Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) supplier enrollment application is to gather information from a supplier that tells us who it is, whether it meets certain qualifications to be a health care supplier, where it renders its services or supplies,

the identity of the owners of the enrolling entity, and information necessary to establish the correct claims payment. The goal of evaluating and revising the CMS 855S DMEPOS supplier enrollment application is to simplify and clarify the information collection without jeopardizing our need to collect specific information. The majority of the revisions contained in this submission are non-substantive in nature such as spelling and formatting corrections; however, we also removed duplicate fields and obsolete questions and provided clarification and simplified the instructions for the completing the application. Form Number: CMS–855(S) (OCN: 0938–1056); Frequency: Yearly; Affected Public: Private Sector; Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions; Number of Respondents: 43,350; Total Annual Responses: 43,350; Total Annual Hours: 113,550 (For policy questions regarding this contact Kim McPhillips at 410-786-5374. For all other issues call 410-786-1326.)

3. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Medicare Enrollment Application Use: The primary function of the CMS-855 Medicare enrollment application is to gather information from a provider or supplier that tells us who it is, whether it meets certain qualifications to be a health care provider or supplier, where it practices or renders its services, the identity of the owners of the enrolling entity, and other information necessary to establish correct claims payments. Form Number: CMS–855(A, B, I, R) (OCN: 0938–0685); Frequency: Yearly; Affected Public: Private Sector; Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions; Number of Respondents: 440,450; Total Annual Responses: 440,450; Total Annual Hours: 856,395 (For policy questions regarding this contact Kim McPhillips at 410-786-5374. For all other issues call 410-786-1326.)

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access CMS Web Site address at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326.

To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be received by the OMB desk officer at the address below, no later than 5 p.m. on **[insert date 30 days after date of publication in the Federal Register.]**

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