DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on CMS’ intention to collect information from the public. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, and to allow a second opportunity for public comment on the notice. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency’s functions, the accuracy of the estimated burden, ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

DATES: Comments on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: When commenting on the proposed information collections, please reference the
document identifier or OMB control number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be received by the OMB desk officer via one of the following transmissions:

OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs

Attention: CMS Desk Officer

Fax Number: (202) 395-5806 OR

E-mail: OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, you may make your request using one of following:


1. E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov.

2. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786-1326.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Parham at (410) 786-4669.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. The term “collection of information” is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C.
3506(c)(2)(A)) requires federal agencies to publish a 30-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, CMS is publishing this notice that summarizes the following proposed collection(s) of information for public comment:

1. **Type of Information Collection Request:** Revision with change of a previously approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** Medicare Part C and Part D Data Validation (42 CFR 422.516g and 423.514g); **Use:** The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) established reporting requirements for Medicare Part C and Part D sponsoring organizations (Medicare Advantage Organizations [MAOs], Cost Plans, and Medicare Part D sponsors) under the authority described in 42 CFR 422.516(a) and 423.514(a), respectively. Under these reporting requirements, each sponsoring organization must submit Medicare Part C, Medicare Part D, or Medicare Part C and Part D data. In order for the reported data to be useful for monitoring and performance measurement, the data must be reliable, valid, complete, and comparable among sponsoring organizations. To maintain the independence of the validation process, sponsoring organizations do not use their own staff to conduct the data validation. Sponsoring organizations are responsible for hiring external, independent data validation contractors (DVCs) who meet a minimum set of qualifications and credentials, which CMS outlines in the “Standards for Selecting Data Validation Contractors” document. For the retrospective review in 2020, the DVCs will review data submitted by sponsoring organizations for CY2019. **Form Number:** CMS-10305 (OMB control number: 0938-1115); **Frequency:** Yearly; **Affected Public:** State, Local, or Tribal Governments; **Number of Respondents:** 553;
Total Annual Responses: 553; Total Annual Hours: 15,332. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Maria Sotirelis at 410-786-0552.)

2. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension without change of a previously approved collection; Title of Information Collection: National Implementation of the In-Center Hemodialysis CAHPS Survey; Use: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is requesting clearance from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to continue the In-center Hemodialysis CAHPS (ICH CAHPS) Survey to measure patients’ experience of care with in-center hemodialysis (ICH) facilities. Data collected in the national implementation of the ICH CAHPS Survey are used for the following purposes: to provide a source of information from which selected measures can be publicly reported to beneficiaries as a decision aid for dialysis facility selection; to aid facilities with their internal quality improvement efforts and external benchmarking with other facilities; to provide CMS with information for monitoring and public reporting purposes; and to support the ESRD value-based purchasing program. Form Number: CMS-10105 (OMB control number 0938-0926); Frequency: Occasionally; Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments; Number of Respondents: 108,800; Total Annual Responses: 108,800; Total Annual Hours: 58,753. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Julia Zucco at 410-786-6677.)

Dated: August 9, 2019.

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Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs.

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