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## 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](mailto: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. Access CMS' Web Site address at Web Site address at

[https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-](https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRA-Listing.html)

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1. E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to [Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov](mailto: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:* Part C Medicare Advantage Reporting Requirements and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 422.516(a); *Use:* Section 1852(m) of the Social Security Act (the Act) and CMS regulations at 42 CFR § 422.135 allow Medicare Advantage (MA) plans the ability to provide “additional telehealth benefits” to enrollees starting in plan year 2020 and treat them as basic benefits. MA additional telehealth benefits are limited to services for which benefits are available under Medicare Part B but which are not payable under section 1834(m) of the Act. In addition, MA additional telehealth benefits are services that been identified by the MA plan for the applicable year as clinically appropriate to furnish through electronic information and telecommunications technology (or “electronic exchange”) when the physician (as defined in section 1861(r) of the Act) or practitioner (as defined in section 1842(b)(18)(C) of the Act) providing the service is not in the same location as the enrollee. Per § 422.135(d), MA plans may only furnish MA additional telehealth benefits using contracted providers.

The changes for the 2020 Reporting Requirements will require plans to report Telehealth benefits. The data collected in this measure will provide CMS with a better understanding of the number of organizations utilizing Telehealth per contract and to also capture those specialties used for both in-person and Telehealth. This data will allow CMS to improve its policy and process surrounding Telehealth. In addition, the specialist and facility data we are collecting aligns with some of the provider and facility specialty types that organizations are required to include in their networks and to submit on their HSD tables in the Network Management Module in Health Plan Management System.. *Form Number:* CMS-10261 (OMB control number 0938-1054); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* State, Local, and Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 594; *Total Annual Responses:* 4,752; *Total Annual Hours:* 187,926. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Mark Smith at 410-786-8015.)

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medical Necessity and Contract Amendments Under Mental Health Parity; *Use:* Upon request, regulated entities must provide a medical necessity disclosure. Receiving this information will enable potential and current enrollees to make more educated decisions given the choices available to them through their plans and may result in better treatment of their mental health or substance use disorder (MH/SUD) conditions. States use the information collected and reported as part of its contracting process with managed care entities, as well as its compliance oversight role. In states where a Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO) is responsible for providing the full scope of medical/surgical and MH/SUD services to beneficiaries, the state will review the parity analysis provided by the MCO

to confirm that the MCO benefits are in compliance. CMS uses the information collected and reported in an oversight role of State Medicaid managed care programs. *Form Number:* CMS-10556 (OMB control number: 0938-1280); *Frequency:* Once and occasionally; *Affected Public:* Individuals and households, the Private sector, and State, Local, or Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 47,468,596; *Total Annual Responses:* 285,444; *Total Annual Hours:* 48,057.

(For policy questions regarding this collection contact Juliet Kuhn at 410-786-2480.)

3. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* External Quality Review (EQR) of Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) and Supporting Regulations; *Use:* State agencies must provide to the external quality review organization (EQRO) information obtained through methods consistent with the protocols specified by CMS. This information is used by the EQRO to determine the quality of care furnished by an MCO. Since the EQR results are made available to the general public, this allows Medicaid/CHIP enrollees and potential enrollees to make informed choices regarding the selection of their providers. It also allows advocacy organizations, researchers, and other interested parties access to information on the quality of care provided to Medicaid beneficiaries enrolled in Medicaid/CHIP MCOs. States use the information during their oversight of these organizations. *Form Number:* CMS-R-305 (OMB control number 0938-0786); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 629; *Total Annual Responses:* 4,869; *Total Annual Hours:* 426,492. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Jennifer Sheer at 410-786-1769.)

4. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Self-Referral Disclosure Protocol; *Use:* Section 6409 of the ACA requires the Secretary to establish a voluntary self-disclosure process that allows providers of services and suppliers to self-disclose actual or potential violations of section 1877 of the Act. In addition, section 6409(b) of the ACA gives the Secretary authority to reduce the amounts due and owing for the violations. To determine the nature and extent of the noncompliance and the appropriate amount by which an overpayment may be reduced, the Secretary must collect relevant information regarding the arrangements and financial relationships at issue from disclosing parties. The Secretary may also collect supporting documentation, such as contracts, leases, communications, invoices, or other documents bearing on the actual or potential violation(s). Most of the information and documentation required for submission to CMS in accordance with the SRDP is information that health care providers of services and suppliers keep as part of customary and usual business practices. *Form Number:* CMS-10328 (OMB control number: 0938-1106); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Private Sector (business or other for-profits, not-for-profit institutions); *Number of Respondents:* 100; *Total Annual Responses:* 100; *Total Annual Hours:* 5,000. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Matthew Edgar at 410-786-0698.)

5. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Hospital Wage Index Occupational Mix Survey; *Use:* Section 304(c) of Public Law 106-554 mandates an occupational mix adjustment to the wage index, requiring the collection of data every 3 years on the occupational mix of employees for

each short-term, acute care hospital participating in the Medicare program. The proposed data collection that is included in this submission complies with this statutory requirement. The purpose of the occupational mix adjustment is to control for the effect of hospitals' employment choices on the wage index. For example, hospitals may choose to employ different combinations of registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, nursing aides, and medical assistants for the purpose of providing nursing care to their patients. The varying labor costs associated with these choices reflect hospital management decisions rather than geographic differences in the costs of labor. *Form Number*: CMS-10079 (OMB control number: 0938-0907); *Frequency*: Yearly; *Affected Public*: Business or Other for-Profits, Not-for-Profit Institutions; *Number of Respondents*: 3,300; *Total Annual Responses*: 3,300; *Total Annual Hours*: 1,584,000. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Tehila Lipschutz at 410-786-1344.)

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