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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

[R-86, SP0001, R-153]

Submitted for Collection of Public Comment: Submission for OMB Review

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), Department of Health and Human Services, has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following proposals for the collection of information. 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 functions; (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 Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Systems Performance Review (SPR); *Form No.:* HCFA-R-86; *Use:* The System Performance Review (SPR) is a vehicle used to evaluate State Medicaid Management Information Systems (MMIS) to determine whether or not a State system satisfies the functional requirements and statistical levels of output relating to accuracy and timeliness. This review necessitates the documentation or maintenance of specific records; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* State, local, or tribal government; Business or other for profit; and Federal Government; *Number of Respondents:* 17; *Total Annual Responses:* 17; *Total Annual Hours:* 22,100.

2. *Type of Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicaid Posteligibility Preprint; *Form No.:*

HCFA-SP0001; *Use:* To standardize the display of information on the posteligibility process in the State's Medicaid plan. The State plan is issued as a basis for Federal financial participation in the State program; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* State, local, or tribal government; and Federal Government; *Number of Respondents:* 56; *Total Annual Responses:* 896; *Total Annual Hours:* 529.

3. *Type of Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Drug Utilization Review (DUR) (Medicaid); *Form No.:* HCFA-R-153 and HCFA-R-153a; *Use:* This is a revision of a currently approved collection of the OMB approved requirements on DUR programs that will expire on 9/30/97. The program and requirements are the same, but HCFA intends to add survey/instructions for the annual report. This framework in form HCFA-R153a would allow for reports to be more easily prepared by the states while also enhancing the usefulness of these reports for analysis and comparison by HCFA. Submission of reports has been required by Section 1927 (g) of the Social Security Act; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* State, local, or tribal government; Business or other for profit; and Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 50; *Total Annual Responses:* 50; *Total Annual Hours:* 608,400.

To request copies of the proposed paperwork collection referenced above, E-mail your request, including your address, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections should be sent within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB Desk Officer designated at the following address: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

[HCFA-1728]

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

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), Department of Health and Human Services, has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following proposal for the collection of information. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the 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 functions; (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.

Type of Information Collection Request: Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Home Health Agency Cost Report; *Form No.:* HCFA-1728; *Use:* The HCFA 1728 is the form used by Home Health Agencies to report their health care costs to determine the amount reimbursable for services furnished to Medicare beneficiaries. *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for profit, Not for profit institutions, and State, Local or Tribal Government; *Number of Respondents:* 8,950; *Total Annual Hours:* 1,575,200.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's WEB SITE ADDRESS at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or to obtain the supporting statement and any related forms, E-mail your request, including your address and phone number, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 30 days of this notice directly to the HCFA Paperwork Clearance Officer designated at the following address: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New

Executive Office Building, Room 10235,
Washington, D.C. 20503.

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Staff, Office of Financial and Human
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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. 4162-N-02]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant
Secretary for Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments due: August 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Oliver Walker, Housing, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT, 451—7th Street, SW, Room 9116, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George Dipman, telephone number (202) 708-1220 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

The Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the

burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Mark to Market/Portfolio Reengineering Demonstration Program Guidelines—FR-4162.

OMB Control Number: 2502--0519.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This information issuance of Mark to Market Demonstration Program Guidelines on proposal submission requirements and subsequent HUD processing procedures. The Demonstration, titled "FHA Multifamily Demonstration Authority", is authorized by Section 212 of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997 (Pub. L. 104-204, 110 Stat. 2874, September 26, 1996).

Agency forms, if applicable: None.

Members of affected public:

Status of the proposed information collection:

Authority: Section 236 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: May 23, 1997.

Nicolas P. Retsinas,

*Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal
Housing Commissioner.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4247-D-02]

Order of Succession, Acting General Counsel

AGENCY: Office of the General Counsel,
HUD.

ACTION: Order of succession.

SUMMARY: The General Counsel for the Department of Housing and Urban Development is issuing this Order of Succession of officials authorized to serve as Acting General Counsel when, by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office, the General Counsel is not available to exercise the powers or perform the duties of the office.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 19, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Opitz, Assistant General Counsel for Training and Administrative Law, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 10246, 451 7th

Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, (202) 708-0622, Extension 5046. (This is not a toll-free number.) For hearing/speech-impaired individuals, this number may be accessed via TTY by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8399.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The General Counsel for the Department of Housing and Urban Development is issuing this Order of Succession of officials authorized to serve as Acting General Counsel when, by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office, the General Counsel is not available to exercise the powers or perform the duties of the Office.

Accordingly, the General Counsel designates the following order of succession:

Section A. Order of Succession

During any period when, by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office, the General Counsel is not available to exercise the powers or perform the duties of the Office of the General Counsel, the following are hereby designated to serve as Acting General Counsel:

- (1) Deputy General Counsel (Programs & Regulations)
- (2) Deputy General Counsel (Housing & Development)
- (3) Deputy General Counsel (Civil Rights & Fair Housing)
- (4) Deputy General Counsel (Operations)
- (5) Associate General Counsel for Assisted Housing and Community Development
- (6) Associate General Counsel for Finance and Regulatory Enforcement
- (7) Associate General Counsel for Insured Housing
- (8) Associate General Counsel for Litigation
- (9) Associate General Counsel for Program Enforcement
- (10) Associate General Counsel for Human Resources
- (11) Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations

These officials shall serve as Acting General Counsel under this order of succession in the order specified herein and no official shall serve unless all the other officials, whose position titles precede his/hers in this order, are unable to act by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office. If all the officials designated in this order of succession are unable to serve as Acting General Counsel by reason of absence, disability or vacancy in office, officials designated to serve as acting officials for these designated officials (designees) will serve in the same order of succession as their principals.