

*Number of Respondents:* 500,000;  
*Total Annual Responses:* 500,000;  
*Total Annual Hours:* 50,000.

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 E-mail your request, including your address and phone number, to [Paperwork@hcfa.gov](mailto: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 OMB Desk Officer designated at the following address: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 15, 1999.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Health Care Financing Administration

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#### 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:* New Collection;

*Title of Information Collection:* National Hospital Malpractice Insurance Survey;

*Form No.:* HCFA-R-278 (OMB# 0938-NEW);

*Use:* The Data collected from this survey will be used to collect two years of malpractice insurance costs data from a nationally representative sample of 800 hospitals. Along with the survey of hospitals, we will collect rate schedules from the commercial insurers and the offices of state insurance commissioners. As compared to the survey of hospitals which is a statistical sampling survey, the survey of the offices of state insurance commissioners and commercial insurance companies will not be a statistical sampling survey. We will match collected data in the rate schedules to the data from sampled hospitals in order to convert malpractice insurance costs of different level of coverage into costs of a constant level of coverage. The primary statistics will be used to rebase the input price index through weight adjustment and the annual percent change to update the operating prospective payment rates. Therefore, the NHMIS must allow estimates of the primary statistics for each hospital be adjusted by their rating basis, coverage elements, and types of coverage. The survey results will be used to estimate the weight of malpractice insurance costs in relation to goods and services hospitals purchase in order to furnish inpatient care and to calculate the malpractice insurance cost to change over time at the national level. The analytic results will be used to adjust Medicare operating reimbursement rates to Medicare participating hospitals and to prepare statistical summaries.

*Frequency:* Annually;

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions, Business or other for-profit, and State, Local, or Tribal Govt.;

*Number of Respondents:* 600;

*Total Annual Responses:* 600;

*Total Annual Hours:* 300.

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 E-mail your request, including your address and phone number, to [Paperwork@hcfa.gov](mailto: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 OMB Desk Officer designated at the following address: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive

Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Health Care Financing Administration

[HCFA-R-0254]

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

**AGENCY:** Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

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, 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 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:* Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired; *Title of Information Collection:* National Medicare Education Program (NMEP) Community Survey of Medicare Beneficiaries; *Form No.:* HCFA-R-0254 (OMB# 0938-0738); *Use:* A survey of Medicare beneficiaries in six communities will be conducted in January 2000 and again in January 2001 to monitor the NMEP implementation. Beneficiaries in these same communities were interviewed in September 1998 and February 1999. This approach will gather information on changes in: awareness of Medicare+Choice expansions and options; knowledge about Medicare and the Medicare+Choice options; where

beneficiaries go to find more information; and whether they are aware of the many information resources available to them; and satisfaction with their information/knowledge; *Frequency*: Annually; *Affected Public*: Individuals or Households; *Number of Respondents*: 2,400; *Total Annual Responses*: 2,400; *Total Annual Hours*: 600.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to [Paperwork@hcfa.gov](mailto: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 OMB desk officer: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: July 8, 1999.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of Inspector General

#### Program Exclusions: June 1999

**AGENCY:** Office of Inspector General, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of program exclusions.

During the month of June 1999, the HHS Office of Inspector General imposed exclusions in the cases set forth below. When an exclusion is imposed, no program payment is made to anyone for any items or services (other than an emergency item or service not provided in a hospital emergency room) furnished, ordered or prescribed by an excluded party under the Medicare, Medicaid, and all Federal Health Care programs. In addition, no program payment is made to any business or facility, e.g., a hospital, that submits bills for payment for items or services provided by an excluded party. Program beneficiaries remain free to decide for themselves whether they will

continue to use the services of an excluded party even though no program payments will be made for items and services provided by that excluded party. The exclusions have national effect and also apply to all Executive Branch procurement and non-procurement programs and activities.

Subject city, state	Effective date	Subject city, state	Effective date
<b>PROGRAM-RELATED CONVICTIONS</b>			
Alvarez, Emperatriz .....	07/20/1999	Coral Springs, FL	
Miami, FL		Metro Med Ambulette, Inc .....	07/20/1999
Alvarez, Manuel J .....	07/20/1999	E Rockaway, NY	
Atlanta, GA		Michkovits, John F .....	07/20/1999
Anderson, Thomas R .....	07/20/1999	South Haven, MI	
Middleville, MI		Morris, Brenda Sue .....	07/20/1999
Barnes, James .....	07/20/1999	Rancho Cordova, CA	
Omaha, AR		Nguyen, Hoang Mau .....	07/20/1999
Bennett, Camelia Hunt .....	07/20/1999	San Diego, CA	
Fayetteville, NC		Nguyen, Dat Tat .....	07/20/1999
Bolin, Royce Lendal .....	07/20/1999	San Diego, CA	
Conway, AR		Nguyen, Dung My Thi .....	07/20/1999
Burton, Leslie M .....	07/20/1999	San Diego, CA	
Randolph, VT		Norton, Robert G .....	07/20/1999
Caceres, Rolando .....	07/20/1999	Barrington, RI	
Miramar, FL		Paez, Armando .....	07/20/1999
Caceres, Silvia .....	07/20/1999	Miami, FL	
Miramar, FL		Perez, Barbara .....	07/20/1999
Cannon, Jerri Lynn .....	07/20/1999	Miami, FL	
Chowchilla, CA		Perez, Ramiro .....	07/20/1999
Carideo, IDA .....	07/20/1999	Miami, FL	
Wayside, NJ		Professional Case Manage-	
Daniel, Linda .....	07/20/1999	ment .....	07/20/1999
Decatur, GA		Lansing, MI	
Davis, Anthony A .....	07/20/1999	Revis, Harley .....	07/20/1999
Decatur, GA		Sapulpa, OK	
Dawson, Robert .....	07/20/1999	Rode, Ruth .....	07/20/1999
Forestville, MD		Grand Junction, MI	
Dekorte, Garth .....	07/20/1999	Rollins, Bonnie J .....	07/20/1999
Lansing, MI		Glendive, MT	
Delgado, Jorge .....	07/20/1999	Rollins, Keith Anthony .....	07/20/1999
Miami, FL		Scarborough, ME	
Delgado, Linda .....	07/20/1999	Sardinas, Maria J .....	07/20/1999
Miami, FL		Hialeah, FL	
Fletcher, James E .....	07/20/1999	Schiller, Marcelos S .....	07/20/1999
Riverdale, GA		Miami, FL	
Gardner, Lorna Fay .....	07/20/1999	Seawell, Paul Darrell .....	07/20/1999
Grand Prairie, TX		El Paso, TX	
Grossman, Norman Stanley .....	07/20/1999	Smith, Garland O .....	07/20/1999
Malibu, CA		Robeline, LA	
Hicks, Ingrid .....	07/20/1999	Stacy, Marcia .....	07/20/1999
Milwaukee, WI		Charlevoix, MI	
Higgins, Gina .....	07/20/1999	Tablada, Luis H Jr .....	07/20/1999
Hialeah, FL		Miramar, FL	
Hogue, Alina Malisa .....	07/20/1999	Triplett, Ronald Lee .....	07/20/1999
Winston-Salem, NC		Wheelwright, KY	
Kabinoff, Larry's.		Triplett, Anna Jean .....	07/20/1999
Rydal, PA		Faubush, KY	
Kim, John Don .....	07/20/1999	Tucker, Karen E .....	07/20/1999
Irvine, CA		Marlton, NJ	
Lindley, Frank A .....	07/20/1999	Valdes, Nelson .....	07/20/1999
Philadelphia, PA		Coleman, FL	
Mack, Ann .....	07/20/1999	Varela, Guido .....	07/20/1999
Decatur, GA		N Bay Village, FL	
Makarem, Anis Hussein .....	07/20/1999	Varela, Natalia .....	07/20/1999
Westlake, CA		Tampa, FL	
May, Samuel .....	07/20/1999	Vasquez, Noriela .....	07/20/1999
Washington, DC		Miami, FL	
McCoy, Gary K .....	07/20/1999	Vasquez, Jesus .....	07/20/1999
Atlanta, GA		Miami, FL	
Mehta, Ravindra S .....	07/20/1999	Veksler, Natalya .....	07/20/1999
		Marblehead, MA	
		Watson, Donnie W .....	07/20/1999
		El Segundo, CA	
		We Care Living Enrichment Ctr	
		Saginaw, MI	
		Williams, Marijane .....	07/20/1999
		Quapaw, OK	
		Wisdom, Regina Renee .....	07/20/1999
		N Little Rock, AR	
		Yedidsion, David .....	07/20/1999