

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.

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:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Data Collection for the Second Generation Social Health Maintenance Organization Demonstration; *Use:* The purpose of the Second Generation Social Health Maintenance Organization Demonstration (S/HMO–II) is to refine the targeting and financing methodologies, and benefit design of the Social Health Maintenance Organization Demonstration model. Four primary components of the S/HMO–II demonstration are: (1) A geriatric care approach that will be applied across the entire spectrum of S/HMO–II enrollees; (2) expanded community care coordination through links between chronic care case-management and acute care providers; (3) provision of long-term-benefits; and (4) an adjusted average per capita costs based risk-adjusted payment methodology. *Form*

Number: CMS–R–204 (OMB#: 0938–0709); *Frequency:* Reporting—Yearly; *Affected Public:* Individuals or households; *Number of Respondents:* 17,624; *Total Annual Responses:* 17,624; *Total Annual Hours:* 3,425.

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Assessing Degrees of Health Care Involvement Survey Use: It is not sufficient to merely mail information about the Medicare program to each beneficiary. CMS needs to know that the beneficiaries received the information, understood the information and found the information useful in making choices about their Medicare participation. To this end, CMS must have measure(s) over time of what beneficiaries know and understand about the Medicare program now to be able to quantify and attribute any changes to their understanding or behavior to information/education initiatives. Measuring beneficiary information needs and knowledge over time will help CMS to evaluate the impact of information/education and other initiatives, as well as to understand how the population is changing separate from such initiatives. *Form Number:* CMS–10208 (OMB#: 0938–NEW); *Frequency:* Reporting—Weekly; *Affected Public:* Individuals or households; *Number of Respondents:* 4,000; *Total Annual Responses:* 3,500; *Total Annual Hours:* 1,200.

3. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Subpart D—Private Contracts and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 405.410, 405.430, 405.435, 405.440, 405.445, and 405.455; *Use:* Under the section 4507 of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, CMS is required to permit certain physicians and practitioners to opt out of Medicare and furnish covered services to Medicare beneficiaries through private contracts. *Form Number:* CMS–R–234 (OMB#: 0938–0730); *Frequency:* Reporting—Biennially; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profits; *Number of Respondents:* 26,820; *Total Annual Responses:* 26,820; *Total Annual Hours:* 7,197.

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.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed or faxed within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB desk officer: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Carolyn Lovett, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503. Fax Number: (202) 395–6974.

Dated: January 5, 2007.

Michelle Shortt,

Director, Regulations Development Group, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Administration for Children and Families****Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request**

Proposed Projects:

Title: Protection and Advocacy (P&A) Voting Access Annual Report.

OMB No.: New Collection.

Description: An annual report is required by Federal statute (the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002, Public Law 107–252, Section 291, Payments for Protection and Advocacy Systems, 42 U.S.C. 15461). Each State Protection & Advocacy (P&A) System must prepare and submit an annual report at the end of every fiscal year. The report addresses the activities conducted with the funds provided during the year. The information from the annual report will be aggregated into an annual profile of how HAVA funds have been spent. The report will also provide an overview of the P&A goals and accomplishments and permit the Administration on Developmental Disabilities to track progress to monitor grant activities.

Respondents: Protection & Advocacy Systems—All States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, and Guam.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Protection and Advocacy (P&A) Voting Access Annual Report	55	1	16	880
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:	880

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Administration, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. *E-mail address:* infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c)

the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Dated: January 8, 2007.

Robert Sargis,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Title: Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Voting Access Annual Report.

OMB No.: New Collection.

Description: An annual report is required by Federal statute (the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002, Public Law 107-252, Section 291, Payments for Protection and Advocacy Systems, 42 U.S.C. 15461). Each State or Unit of Local Government must prepare and submit an annual report at the end of every fiscal year. The report addresses the activities conducted with the funds provided during the year. The information collected from the annual report will be aggregated into an annual profile of how States have utilized the funds and establish best practices for election officials. It will also provide an overview of the State election goals and accomplishments and permit the Administration on developmental Disabilities to track voting progress to monitor grant activities.

Respondents: Secretaries of State, Directors, State Election Boards, State Chief Election Officials.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Voting Access Annual Report	55	1	24	1,320
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:	1,320

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