

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

The Program Peer Review Subcommittee (PPRS) of the Board of Scientific Counselors (BSC), CDC, National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)): Teleconference.

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), CDC, NCEH/ATSDR announces the following subcommittee teleconference meeting:

Time and Date: 3 p.m.–5 p.m., June 11, 2007.

Place: The teleconference will originate at NCEH/ATSDR in Atlanta, Georgia. To participate, dial 877/315-6535 and enter conference code 383520.

Purpose: Under the charge of the BSC, NCEH/ATSDR, the PPRS will provide the BSC, NCEH/ATSDR with advice and recommendations on NCEH/ATSDR program peer review. They will serve the function of organizing, facilitating, and providing a long-term perspective to the conduct of NCEH/ATSDR program peer review.

Matters to be Discussed: Review and approve previous meeting minutes; discuss preparedness and emergency response peer review, approach to program peer review (internal discussion and BSC evaluation), and questionnaires; identify a PPRS member to participate on the workgroup, and areas of expertise needed for the review; identify peer reviewers, partners, and customers to participate on the workgroup; and draft peer review site visit agenda. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Supplementary Information: This meeting is scheduled to begin at 3 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time. Public comment period is scheduled for 4:15–4:25 p.m.

BSC, NCEH/ATSDR held a bi-annual meeting on May 16–18, 2007 in Atlanta, Georgia. During the proceeding of this meeting, the Chair of the BSC, the Chair of PPRS of the BSC, and the Director of NCEH/ATSDR determined that an intramural peer review of the preparedness and emergency response activities at NCEH/ATSDR should be conducted by early fall in 2007. In order to accomplish this task in the desired short timeframe, the Chair of the PPRS as well as the Associate Director for

Science at NCEH/ATSDR stipulated a need to hold a conference during the second week of June to discuss and plan the peer review of preparedness and emergency response activities at NCEH/ATSDR. This **Federal Register** notice is being published on less than 15 calendar days notice to the public (41 CFR 102–3.150(b)).

Contact Person for More Information: Sandra Malcom, Committee Management Specialist, Office of Science, NCEH/ATSDR, M/S E–28, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/498–0622.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities for both CDC and ATSDR.

Dated: June 4, 2007.

Elaine L. Baker,

Acting Director, Management Analysis and Services Office Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; 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) 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.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Part D Reporting Requirements and Supporting Regulations under 42 CFR 423.505; *Form Number:* CMS–10185 (OMB#: 0938–0992); *Use:* 42 CFR 423.514, requires each Part D Sponsor to have an effective procedure to provide statistics indicating: The cost of its operations, the patterns of utilization of its services, the availability, accessibility, and acceptability of its services, information demonstrating it has a fiscally sound operation and other matters as required by CMS. In addition, subsection 423.505 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act, establishes as a contract provision that Part D Sponsors must comply with the reporting requirements for submitting drug claims and related information to CMS. Data collected via Medicare Part D Reporting Requirements will be an integral resource for oversight, monitoring, compliance and auditing activities necessary to ensure quality provision of the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit to beneficiaries. Refer to the “Revisions to CY 2008 Part D Reporting Requirement” document to view the changes from CY 2007 to CY 2008. *Frequency:* Reporting—Monthly, Annually, Quarterly and Semi-annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; *Number of Respondents:* 4,857; *Total Annual Responses:* 330,276; *Total Annual Hours:* 291,989.

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Bid Pricing Tool (BPT) for Medicare Advantage (MA) Plans and Prescription Drug Plans (PDPs); *Use:* Under the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization (MMA), Medicare Advantage organizations (MAO) and Prescription Drug Plans (PDP) are required to submit an actuarial pricing “bid” for each plan offered to Medicare beneficiaries. CMS requires that MAOs and PDPs complete the BPT as part of the annual bidding process. During this process, organizations prepare their proposed actuarial bid pricing for the upcoming contract year and submit them to CMS for review and approval. The purpose of the BPT is to collect the actuarial pricing information for each plan. The BPT calculates the plan's bid, enrollee premiums, and payment rates. *Form Number:* CMS–10142 (OMB#: 0938–0944); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 550 *Total Annual*

Responses: 6,050; *Total Annual Hours:* 42,350.

3. Type of Information Collection

Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Authorization to Disclose Personal Health Information; *Form Number:* CMS-10106 (OMB#: 0938-931); *Use:* Unless permitted or required by law, § 164.508 of the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information final rule (67 FR 53182) prohibits Medicare, a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability (HIPAA) covered entity, from disclosing an individual's protected health information without a valid authorization. In order to be valid, an authorization must include specified core elements and statements. Medicare will make available to Medicare beneficiaries a standard, valid authorization to enable beneficiaries to request the disclosure of their protected health information. This standard authorization will simplify the process of requesting information disclosure for beneficiaries and minimize the response time for Medicare. The completed authorization will allow Medicare to disclose an individual's personal health information to a third party at the individual's request. *Frequency:* Reporting—On occasion; *Affected Public:* Individuals or households; *Number of Respondents:* 1,000,000; *Total Annual Responses:* 1,000,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 250,000.

4. Type of Information Collection

Request: Revision of a currently approved collection. In this revision, a number of changes were made to the form and accompanying instructions to facilitate the completion and data entry of the form. Specifically, the enumeration of individuals involved in laboratory testing was eliminated, and the reporting of hours of laboratory operations was streamlined. Some fields were expanded to reflect changes in laboratory demographics (added prison and assisted living facility to location of laboratory testing) and to collect complete information on the number of tests performed in laboratories. There are no program changes; *Title of Information Collection:* Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments Application Form and Supporting Regulations at 42 CFR 493.1-2001; *Form Number:* CMS-116 (OMB#: 0938-0581); *Use:* The application must be completed by entities performing laboratory's testing specimens for diagnostic or treatment purposes. This information is vital to the certification process. *Frequency:* Reporting—Biennially; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-

profit and Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 187,000; *Total Annual Responses:* 17,960; *Total Annual Hours:* 22,450.

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.

To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be received at the address below, no later than 5 p.m. on August 7, 2007.

CMS, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Division of Regulations Development—C, Attention: Bonnie L Harkless, Room C4-26-05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

Dated: May 31, 2007.

Michelle Shortt,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[Document Identifier: CMS-10137, CMS-10069 and CMS-R-246]

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: Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Application for Prescription Drug Plans (PDP); Application for Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MA-PD); Application for Cost Plans to Offer Qualified Prescription Drug Coverage; Application for Employer Group Waiver Plans to Offer Prescription Drug Coverage; Service Area Expansion Application for Prescription Drug Coverage; *Use:* Collection of this information is mandated in Part D of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003. The application requirements are codified in Subpart K of 42 CFR part 423. Coverage for the prescription drug benefit is provided through prescription drug plans (PDPs) that offer drug-only coverage, or through Medicare Advantage (MA) organizations that offer integrated prescription drug and health care coverage (MA-PD plans). PDPs must offer a basic drug benefit. Medicare Advantage Coordinated Care Plans (MA-CCPs) must offer either a basic benefit or may offer broader coverage for no additional cost. Medicare Advantage Private Fee for Service Plans (MA-PFFS) may choose to offer a Part D benefit. Cost Plans that are regulated under Section 1876 of the Social Security Act, and Employer Group Plans may also provide a Part D benefit. If any of the contracting organizations meet basic requirements, they may also offer supplemental benefits through enhanced alternative coverage for an additional premium.

The information will be collected under the solicitation of proposals from PDP, MA-PD, Cost Plan, and Employer Group Waiver Plans applicants. The collected information will be used by CMS to: (1) Insure that applicants meet CMS requirements, and (2) support the determination of contract awards.

The major program change that has occurred in Part D applications was that CMS removed several attestations related to Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), bids and privacy; *Form Number:* CMS-10137 (OMB#: 0938-0936); *Frequency:* Reporting: Once; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 857; *Total Annual Responses:* 857; *Total Annual Hours:* 28,122.