

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; 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: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare/Medicaid Hospital Survey Report Form and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 482.2 through 482.57; *Form No.:* HCFA-1537 (OMB# 0938-0382); *Use:* Section 1861(e) of the Social Security Act (the Act) provides that hospitals participating in Medicare under the Act must meet specific requirements. These requirements are presented as Condition of Participation. State agencies must determine compliance with these conditions through the use of this report form.; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Government; *Number of Respondents:* 1,123; *Total Annual Responses:* 1,123; *Total Annual Hours:* 3,650.

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, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and

recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 60 days of this notice directly to the HCFA Paperwork Clearance Officer designated at the following address: HCFA, Office of Information Services, Security and Standards Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards, Attention: Louis Blank, Room N2-14-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

Dated: August 5, 1999.

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Comment request.

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Type of Information Collection Request: New collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Market Survey of Fraud, Waste and Abuse Detection Software; *Form No.:* HCFA-R-0283 (OMB# 0938-new); *Use:* This information collection tool is essential to providing the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) a vehicle to ascertain cutting edge fraud, waste, and

abuse detection products. HCFA and its contractors presently use a number of these tools, as do other segments of government, the health care industry, and industry generally. New products taking advantage of new technologies are in continuous development. This completely voluntary survey will ensure that HCFA is vigilant in identifying new advances to help fight the scourge of Medicare fraud and abuse.; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for profit, and Not for profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 400; *Total Annual Responses:* 450; *Total Annual Hours:* 1,350.

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, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and

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

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

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