

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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Emergency Clearance: Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

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.

We are, however, requesting an emergency review of the information collections referenced below. In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following requirements for emergency review. We are requesting an emergency review because the collection of this information is needed before the expiration of the normal time limits under OMB's regulations at 5 CFR Part 1320. We cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures because of deadlines associated with this collection as referenced in the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993.

HCFA is requesting OMB review and approval of this collection within 10 working days of the publication of this notice, with a 180-day approval period. Written comments and recommendations will be accepted from the public if received by the individuals designated below within 9 working days of publication of this notice. During this 180-day period, we will publish a separate Federal Register notice announcing the initiation of an

extensive 60-day agency review and public comment period on these requirements. We will submit the requirements for OMB review and an extension of this emergency approval.

Type of Information Request: New collection.

Title of Information Collection:

Medicare Telephone Call Center Customer Satisfaction Study.

HCFA Form Number: HCFA-R-0293 (OMB approval #: 0938-NEW).

Use: The purpose of this information collection is to provide the 75+ Medicare call centers with suitably trained staff and survey materials to conduct a standardized random sample of beneficiary calls and administer a customer satisfaction questionnaire. The goal is to develop a national baseline measure of customer satisfaction with the Medicare telephone service provided by carriers and fiscal intermediaries.

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Medicare beneficiaries.

Number of Respondents: 120,000.

Total Annual Responses: 120,000.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 10,000.

We have submitted a copy of this notice to OMB for its review of these information collections. A notice will be published in the **Federal Register** when approval is obtained.

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.

Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden or any other aspect of these collections of information requirements. However, as noted above, comments on these information collection and recordkeeping requirements must be mailed and/or faxed to the designees referenced below, within 9 working days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**:

Health Care Financing Administration,
Office of Information Services,
Security and Standards Group,
Division of HCFA Enterprise
Standards, Room N2-14-26, 7500
Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD
21244-1850. Fax Number: (410) 786-
0262 Attn: Julie Brown HCFA-R-293
and,
Office of Information and Regulatory
Affairs, Office of Management and

Budget, Room 10235, New Executive
Office Building, Washington, DC
20503, Fax Number: (202) 395-6974
or (202) 395-5167 Attn: Allison
Herron Eydt, HCFA Desk Officer.

Dated: August 19, 1999.

John P. Burke III,

*HCFA Reports Clearance Officer, HCFA,
Office of Information Services, Security and
Standards Group, Division of HCFA
Enterprise Standards.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Notice of Filing of Annual Report of Federal Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to section 13 of Public Law 92-463, the Annual Report for the following Health Resources and Services Administration's Federal Advisory Committee has been filed with the Library of Congress:

Health Professions and Nurse Education
Special Emphasis Panel

Copies are available to the public for inspection at the Library of Congress Newspaper and Current Periodical Reading Room, Room 1026, Thomas Jefferson Building, Second Street and Independence Avenue, SE, Washington, DC. Copies may be obtained from: Ms. Sherry Whipple, Program Analyst, Peer Review Branch, Bureau of Health Professions, Room 8C-23, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857, Telephone (301) 443-5926.

Dated: August 20, 1999.

Jane M. Harrison,

*Director, Division of Policy Review and
Coordination.*

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Health Resources and Services Administration

Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

This notice amends part R of the Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (60 FR 56605