

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: Extension of a currently approved collection;

Title of Information Collection: Request for Enrollment in Supplementary Medical Insurance and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 407.10 and 407.11;

Form No.: HCFA-4040 (OMB# 0938-0245);

Use: The HCFA-4040 is used to establish entitlement to Supplementary Medical Insurance by Beneficiaries not eligible under Part A of Title XVIII or Title II of the Social Security Act. The HCFA-4040SP is the Spanish edition of this form.;

Frequency: Other: One Time Only;
Affected Public: Individuals or Households, Federal Government, and State, Local or Tribal Government;

Number of Respondents: 10,000;
Total Annual Responses: 10,000;
Total Annual Hours: 2,500.

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, 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, D.C. 20503.

Dated: December 22, 1999.

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Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection;

Title of Information Collection: Physician Certifications/Recertifications in Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) Manual Instructions and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 424.20;

Form No.: HCFA-R-5 (OMB# 0938-0454);

Use: The Medicare program requires as a condition for Medicare Part A payment for post-hospital skilled nursing facility (SNF) services, that a physician must certify and periodically recertify that a beneficiary requires an SNF level of care. The physician certification and recertification is

intended to ensure that the beneficiary's need for services has been established and then reviewed and updated at appropriate intervals. The documentation is a condition for Medicare Part A payment for post-hospital SNF care.

Frequency: On occasion;

Affected Public: State, Local or Tribal Government, Individuals or Households, Business or other for-profit, and Not-for-profit institutions;

Number of Respondents: 2,038,248;

Total Annual Responses: 947,816;

Total Annual Hours: 417,239.

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

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