

vote on a premarket approval application for a peptide test indicated as an aid in the diagnosis of congestive heart failure.

Procedure: Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by March 15, 2000. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled between approximately 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. and between approximately 3 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person before March 15, 2000, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time requested to make their presentation.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2).

Dated: February 14, 2000.

Linda A. Suydam,

Senior Associate Commissioner.

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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.

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

Title of Information Collection: Conditions of Participation for Rural Health Clinics, 42 CFR 491.9 Subpart A;

Form No.: HCFA-R-38 (0938-0334);

Use: This information is needed to determine if rural health clinics meet the requirements for approval for Medicare participation.

Frequency: Other (Initial application for Medicare);

Affected Public: Business or other for profit; individuals or households; not for profit institutions; farms; Federal Government; and State, Local or Tribal Government;

Number of Respondents: 3,528;

Total Annual Responses: 3,528;

Total Annual Hours: 9,456.

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/reggs/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, DC 20503.

Dated: February 3, 2000.

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 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.

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

Title of Information Collection: Medicare Lifestyle Modification Program Demonstration;

Form No.: HCFA-R-289 (0938-0777);

Use: The Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) through its Office of Clinical Standards and Quality (OCSQ) is planning to conduct a new demonstration to test the feasibility and cost effectiveness of cardiovascular lifestyle modification. This demonstration will focus on Medicare provider sponsored, lifestyle modification programs designed to reverse, reduce, or ameliorate the indications of cardiovascular disease (CAD) of Medicare beneficiaries at risk for invasive treatment procedures. This demonstration will test the feasibility and cost effectiveness of providing payment for cardiovascular lifestyle modification program services to Medicare beneficiaries. In addition, the demonstration will test the use of contractual agreements for administration, claims processing and payment, and routine monitoring of quality of care.

Frequency: On occasion, Weekly, Monthly, and Quarterly;

Affected Public: Individuals or households, and not-for-profit institutions;

Number of Respondents: 22;

Total Annual Responses: 9,000;

Total Annual Hours: 1,500.

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/reggs/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