

would apply to a limited class of research activities involving human subjects who are in need of emergency medical intervention but who cannot give informed consent because of their life-threatening medical condition, and who do not have a legally authorized person to represent them. The preamble to part 50 stated that the agency intends to monitor and evaluate the implementation of these regulations on an ongoing basis. Since the effective date of these emergency research regulations (November 1, 1996), FDA has reviewed the efforts of sponsors, Institutional Review Boards, and clinical investigators to interpret and comply with these regulations and has determined that guidance is needed.

The draft guidance document, available for public comment, addresses issues pertinent to the implementation of FDA's emergency research regulations. The draft guidance document provides guidance on the development and conduct of community consultation and public disclosure activities; the establishment of informed consent procedures to be used when feasible; the need for the concurrence of a licensed physician; use of data monitoring committees; use of independent IRB's; documentation of efforts to contact a subject's legally authorized representative or family member regarding the subject's participation in the study; and other aspects of the emergency research regulations.

This draft Level 1 guidance document is being issued consistent with FDA's Good Guidance Practices (62 FR 8961, February 27, 1997). It represents the agency's current thinking on ways to effectively implement its emergency research regulations in order to protect the rights and welfare of human subjects participating in that research. It does not create or confer any rights for or on any person and does not operate to bind FDA or the public. An alternative approach may be used if such approach satisfies the requirements of the applicable statutes and regulations. As with other guidance documents, FDA does not intend this document to be all-inclusive and cautions that not all information contained in the guidance document may be applicable to all situations.

II. Request for Comments

Interested persons may submit to the Dockets Management Branch (address above) written comments on the draft guidance document. Two copies of any comments are to be submitted, except individuals may submit one copy. Comments are to be identified with the

docket number found in the brackets in the heading of this document. A copy of the draft guidance document and received comments are available for public examination in the Dockets Management Branch between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

III. Electronic Access

Persons with access to the Internet may obtain the document using the Internet at http://www.fda.gov/ora/compliance_ref/bimo/default.html.

Dated: March 21, 2000.

Margaret M. Dotzel,

Acting Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

[Document Identifier: HCFA-R-295]

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: Revision of a currently approved collection;

Title of Information Collection: Medicare CAHPS Disenrollment Survey; *Form No.:* HCFA-R-295 (OMB 0938-0779);

Use: This survey is used to collect information from Medicare beneficiaries who have disenrolled from their health plans during the past year. The purpose of this information is to obtain their

ratings of their former plans and the reasons why they left. The survey results will be reported to all beneficiaries in print and on the Internet for the purpose of informed choices. Secondary uses of survey results include quality improvement and contract oversight;

Frequency: Quarterly, Annually; *Affected Public:* Individuals or Households;

Number of Respondents: 112,800;

Total Annual Responses: 90,240;

Total Annual Hours: 39,744.

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: Dawn Willingham, Room N2-14-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

Dated: March 20, 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 Resources and Services Administration

Notice of Withdrawal

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration.

ACTION: Notice; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: In the **Federal Register** notice of Wednesday, August 18, 1999, in FR Doc. 99-21257, on page 45025, the grant category beginning in the third column under the heading "State and Local Data Utilization and Enhancement (DUE) Cooperative Agreements, CFDA# 93.110U," is withdrawn from competition because of insufficient funds to support the full scope of

proposed activities published in the announcement. Prospective applicants who have submitted letters of intent or requested application materials have been notified directly of this withdrawal.

DATES: A successor competition will be announced shortly in the **Federal Register** for funding in this grant category under modified guidelines that will adjust project expectations to available funding. Application guidance for the successor competition will be available by April 21, 2000, by telephoning 1-877-477-2123 (or 1-877-HRSA-123) and providing the CFDA number (CFDA# 93.110U). The deadline for receipt of applications is July 3, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Russ Scarato or Michael Kogan, Ph.D., Office of Data and Information Management, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration, Room 18A-55, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857; telephone 1-301-443-0700 or 1-301-443-0701.

Dated: March 24, 2000.

James J. Corrigan,

Associate Administrator for Management and Program Support.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4563-N-03]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment for the Family Report

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* May 30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control number and should be sent to: Mildred M. Hamman, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban

Development, 451 7th Street, S.W., Room 4238, Washington, D.C. 20410-5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mildred M. Hamman, (202) 708-3642, extension 4128, for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents. (This is not a toll-free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

Background

The Department of Housing and Urban Development seeks comments on the revised Form HUD-50058 (changes to the Form are noted in italics). The revised Form HUD-50058 incorporates changes required for the sound management of HUD programs. This includes updates required by the passage of various laws, including the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (otherwise known as the Public Housing Reform Act), and other changes.

HUD worked with Public Housing Agencies (PHAs), trade organizations, vendors, and other interested parties to improve reporting to Multifamily Tenant Characteristics System (MTCS), the information system that collects electronic Form HUD-50058 data. In the past year, MTCS public housing reporting improved from 60 to 92 percent, and Section 8 reporting improved from 73 to 97 percent. It is critical that high reporting rates be sustained. HUD will provide technical assistance and training to Field Offices and PHAs to help sustain reporting.

To assure customer input, HUD conducted three industry consultation sessions to identify PHA needs for the revised Form HUD-50058. HUD held the first two sessions in November 1999 and January 2000. On February 10, 2000, the Department held a public forum in Washington, DC for software vendors and PHAs to brief them on the revised Form and MTCS enhancements. HUD seeks to work collaboratively with the user community to produce a user-friendly Form HUD-50058 that meets HUD, PHA, and other needs.

HUD is working to improve not only MTCS, but also the Form HUD-50058 implementation process. HUD will implement a test center to help software vendors and PHAs identify fatal errors prior to the MTCS release date. So that PHAs and software vendors have sufficient time to perform the necessary tests and sustain the high reporting

rates, the Department will give them ample notice of the Form HUD-50058 modifications. In addition, HUD will implement a historical database so PHAs and HUD can track trends over time. This capability should provide PHAs greater flexibility and help them better meet local reporting needs.

Highlight of Changes

The revised Form HUD-50058 include changes that cover flat rents, earned income disregards, the Housing Choice Voucher Program, the Voucher Homeownership Program, and the Welfare-to-Work Program. To determine if there is a need for better PHA quality controls, the revised Form HUD-50058 asks PHAs to track the reason for corrections to family data. HUD added new section action codes for voucher issuance to analyze the movement and progression of families who receive rental subsidies. The revised Form HUD-50058 collects, for the first time, information about the family's gross income and any income discrepancy adjustments. The revised Form HUD-50058 also strives to fix certain problems that exist on the current form. Particularly, a PHA will be able to correct erroneous effective dates of action (line 2b) transmitted to MTCS.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Family Report.

OMB Control Number: 2577-0083.

Agency Form Number: HUD-50058.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use:

Collection of this information is authorized by the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437, *et seq.*), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19), Section 214 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1980.

Initially, PHAs will need ½ hour to input the data into each Form HUD-50058. After a one-year period, average input time should be reduced to 15 minutes per Form. The reduction in time is achieved by the pre-entering of key information on the Form (*i.e.*, income changes, change in family composition, etc). PHAs that administer the FSS and/or Welfare to Work voucher program(s) will require an additional 15 minutes per form for completion of the information.

Members of affected public: PHAs, State or Local Governments, Individuals or Households.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: