

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:* Model Application Template for State Child Health Plan Under Title XXI of the Social Security Act, State Children's Health Insurance Program, and Model Application Template and Instructions; *Form No.:* HCFA-R-211 (OMB #0938-0707); *Use:* States are required to submit Title XXI plans and amendments for approval by the Secretary pursuant to section 2102 of the Social Security Act in order to receive funds for initiating and expanding health insurance coverage for uninsured children. The model application Template is used to assist States in submitting a State Child Health Plan and amendments to that plan; *Affected Public:* State, Local or Tribal Government; *Number of Respondents:* 37; *Total Annual Responses:* 37; *Total Annual Hours:* 2,960.

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 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB desk officer: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

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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

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration.

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:* Hospital Request for Certification in the Medicare/Medicaid Program; *Form No.:* HCFA-1514 (OMB #0938-0380); *Use:* Section 1861 of the Social Security Act requires hospitals and critical access hospitals to be certified to participate in the Medicare/Medicaid program. These providers must complete the "Hospital Request for Certification in the Medicare/Medicaid Program" form in order to be certified or recertified; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 6,300; *Total Annual Responses:* 2,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 500.

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Medicare Program; Announcement of a Series of National and Regional Training Sessions To Provide Training to Medicare+Choice Organizations and Others Concerning Data Requirements, and the Timely and Accurate Submission of Physician and Hospital Outpatient Encounter Data To Support a Comprehensive Risk Adjustment Model.

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a series of national and regional training sessions to provide Medicare+Choice organizations, providers, practitioners, and others with appropriate technical training to enable them to submit timely and accurate physician and hospital outpatient encounter data. The national training sessions will address the following topics:

- Data requirements and edits for physician encounter data.
 - Data requirements and edits for hospital outpatient encounter data.
- Overview of Comprehensive Risk Adjustment models and timeline. Review of workflow associated with encounter data transactions. Communications and connectivity to the Palmetto Data Network and the Encounter Data Front-End Edits system.
- Tracking status and disposition of encounter data submissions.
 - Review of training events and customer support services. The regional meetings will deal with the specific requirements for submission of physician encounter data and hospital outpatient encounter data.