

supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 413.20 and 413.24; *Form No.*: HCFA-2552-96 (OMB 0938-0050); *Use*: Form HCFA-2552-96 is the form used by hospitals participating in the Medicare program. This form reports the health care costs used to determine the amount of reimbursable costs for services rendered to Medicare beneficiaries; *Frequency*: Annually; *Affected Public*: Businesses or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents*: 7,000; *Total Annual Responses*: 7,000; *Total Annual Hours*: 4,629,000.

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, 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: Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired; *Title of Information Collection:* Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded or Persons with Related Conditions ICF/MR Survey Report Form (3070G-I) and Supporting Regulations at 42 CFR 431.52, 431.151, 435.1009, 440.150, 440.220, 442.1, 442.10-442.16, 442.30, 442.40, 442.42, 442.100-442.119, 483.400-483.480, 488.332, 488.400, and 498.3-498.5; *Form No.*: HCFA-3070 (0938-0062); *Use:* The survey forms are needed to ensure provider compliance. In order to participate in the Medicaid program as an ICF/MR, a providers must meet Federal standards. The survey report form is used to record providers' level of compliance with the individual standard and report it to the Federal government; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 6,763; *Total Annual Responses:* 6,763; *Total Annual Hours:* 20,289.

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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, 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: New; *Title of Information Collection:* Hospital Condition of Participation; Identification of Potential Organ, Tissue, and Eye Donors and Transplant Hospitals' Provision of Transplant-Related Data and Supporting Regulations at 42 CFR 482.45; *Form No.*: HCFA-R-0294 (OMB # 0938-NEW); *Use:* Hospitals must document that they have protocols for referral of organ, tissue, and eye donors and that they have contacted the organ procurement organization and (in some cases) the tissue bank and/or eye bank about every death or imminent death so that surveyors can verify that the hospital is in compliance with the Medicare/Medicaid conditions of participation for hospitals; *Frequency:* On occasion; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 6,100; *Total Annual Responses:* 1,491,700; *Total Annual Hours:* 146,070.

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 HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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Requirements for Notification, Evaluation and Reduction of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Federally Owned Residential Property and Housing Receiving Federal Assistance; Notice of Transition Assistance

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HUD.
ACTION: Notice of transition assistance.

SUMMARY: This notice describes the transition assistance that will be provided in connection with implementation of HUD's new requirements for notification, evaluation and reduction of lead-based paint hazards in federally owned residential property and housing receiving federal assistance ("Lead Safe Housing Regulation"). The Lead Safe Housing Regulation was published in the **Federal Register** on September 15, 1999, and becomes effective on September 15, 2000. To make certain that adequate service providers exist throughout the country to carry out lead-based paint hazard evaluation and reduction activities safely and effectively, and to target available resources to housing which places children most at risk, HUD has developed a transition assistance policy with three components.

First, HUD is authorizing a six-month transition period for program participants in jurisdictions which notify the Department by November 15, 2000, that they lack the capacity to implement one or more provisions of the Lead Safe Housing Regulation. Second, post-1960 properties occupied by children under six receiving only

tenant-based rental assistance will be provided a twelve month transition period. Third, properties receiving federal rehabilitation assistance greater than \$25,000 that are occupied by the elderly, where no child under six resides or is expected to reside, will be provided a twelve month transition period. No submission by a jurisdiction is required in order for program participants to take advantage of the second and third transition assistance components. All three components are discussed in more detail in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lead Paint Compliance Assistance Center, Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room P-3206, Washington, DC 20410-0500, 1-866-HUD-1012 (1-866-483-1012) (this is a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Congress mandated the reduction of lead-based paint hazards in federally owned residential property and housing receiving federal assistance in the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992) (Pub. L. 101-550; 106 Stat. 3897; 42 U.S.C. 4851 *et seq.*), which amended the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (Pub. L. 91-695; 84 Stat. 2078; 42 U.S.C. 4801 *et seq.*). HUD published the Lead Safe Housing Regulation implementing Sections 1012 and 1013 of Title X in the **Federal Register** at 64 FR 50140 on September 15, 1999. This regulation becomes effective on September 15, 2000.

The Lead Safe Housing Regulation applies advances in the scientific understanding of childhood lead poisoning in the rehabilitation, treatment and maintenance of federally owned residential property and housing receiving federal assistance under a wide array of programs. The regulation also increases the quantity of testing, home maintenance, repair or rehabilitation work that must be performed in a lead-safe manner. In most areas of the country, the Department believes there is an adequate supply of trained contractors and licensed (certified) personnel to do the work required. However, in certain

areas, the market for the services required under the regulation may not yet have reached the point where the requisite expertise is reasonably available for all programs and all requirements of the regulation.

Recognizing that gaps in capacity may exist, the Department believes that to protect children from lead poisoning in federally owned residential property and housing receiving federal assistance, the Lead Safe Housing Regulation must become effective as scheduled on September 15, 2000. Under this notice, the Department is providing program participants with a short transition period during which the geographic areas lacking capacity to comply with the Lead Safe Housing Regulation can build that capacity and resources can be focused on the housing stock with the greatest need. During this transition period, program participants in jurisdictions qualifying for the transition assistance will not be expected to comply with the relevant requirements of the Lead Safe Housing Regulation for certain identified programs. Working in partnership with organizations of housing providers and childhood health advocates, HUD will provide funds for nationwide training of clearance technicians, maintenance workers, rehabilitation workers, program staff and others. HUD will also create a Lead Paint Compliance Assistance Center to respond to requests for training assistance from jurisdictions which have inadequate capacity. The Department will provide funds to defray the costs of testing for lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards, including clearance testing and risk assessments in the housing choice voucher program, clearance testing for properties receiving federal rehabilitation assistance and inspections and risk assessments for HUD's project-based programs. HUD is issuing program specific administrative notices to all program participants describing the sources of funding available for lead-based paint inspections and other testing, and related training.

Transition Assistance

Component 1—Assistance for Jurisdictions With Inadequate Capacity

For program participants in a particular jurisdiction to qualify for transition assistance based on inadequate capacity to carry out specific requirements of the Lead Safe Housing Regulation, the chief elected official of the jurisdiction, or a senior official designated to act on his or her behalf (such as the official who signs the Annual Consolidated Action Plan