

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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Notice of OMB Approval

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration, DHHS.

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, obtained approval (OMB approval number 0938-0781) of the HCFA R 0296 form, Home Health Advanced Beneficiary Notice.

HCFA published a **Federal Register** notice on September 26, 2000, 65 FR 57821, seeking emergency OMB clearance, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act, of a uniform Home Health Advance Beneficiary Notice (HHABN). Following a public comment period, and revision of the proposed uniform HHABN, HCFA submitted the revised HHABN to OMB. On December 1, 2000, OMB gave emergency clearance to a revised uniform HHABN. Pursuant to a **Federal Register** notice published by HCFA on October 6, 2000, 65 FR 59858, use of the uniform HHABN becomes mandatory not later than 90 days following OMB approval, which is March 1, 2001. (The uniform HHABN and related documents are posted on HCFA's website at <http://www.hcfa.gov/medlearn/refhha.htm>).

Dated: December 27, 2000.

John P. Burke III,

Reports Clearance Officer, Security and Standards Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4565-N-33]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; HUD Conditional Commitment/Direct Enforcement Statement of Appraised Value

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for 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:* March 12, 2001.

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: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., L'Enfant Building, Room 8202, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vance T. Morris, Director, Office of Single Family Program Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone number (202) 708-1142 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting 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).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are responding, including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Conditional Commitment/Direct Endorsement Statement of Appraised Value.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502-0494.

Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use: This request for OMB review involves a reinstatement of a previously approved information collection, Form HUD 29800.5B, Conditional Commitment/Direct Enforcement Statement of Appraised Value (OMB control number 2502-0494). Section 203 of the National Housing Act (Public Law 479, 48 Stat.

1256, 12 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*) authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development to insure mortgages on single family homes, including proposed and existing construction, when requested by FHA approved mortgagees. Form HUD 92800.5B serves as the mortgagee's conditional commitment/direct endorsement of FHA mortgage insurance on the property. The form provides for a statement of the property's appraised value and other required FHA disclosures to the homebuyer, including specific conditions which must be met before a firm commitment for mortgage insurance can be endorsed by HUD.

Agency Form Numbers, if Applicable: HUD-92800.5B.

Estimation of the Total Numbers of Hours Needed To Prepare the Information Collection Including Number of Respondents, Frequency of Response, and Hours of Response: The estimated number of respondents is 1,200,000, the total annual responses are 1,200,000, and the total annual hours of response are estimated at 140,000 hours based on approximately .12 hours per response.

Status of the Proposed Information Collection: Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C., chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: January 3, 2001.

William C. Apgar,

Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4638-N-01]

Notice of Certain Operating Cost Adjustment Factors

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HUD.

ACTION: Publication of Fiscal Year (FY) 2001 Operating Cost Adjustment Factors (OCAFs) for Section 8 rent adjustments at contract renewal under section 524 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (MAHRA), as amended by the Preserving Affordable Housing for Senior Citizens and Families into the 21st Century Act of 1999, and under the Low-Income Housing Preservation and Resident Homeownership Act of 1990 (LIHPRA) Projects assisted with Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments.