

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: Julie Brown, Attn.: HCFA-R-214, Room N2-14-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; 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: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare/Medicaid Psychiatric Hospital Survey Data and Supporting Regulations Contained in 42 CFR 482.60, 482.61 and 482.62; *Form No.:* HCFA-724 (OMB# 0938-0378); *Use:* The information collected on this form will assist HCFA in maintaining an accurate data base on providers participating in the Medicare psychiatric hospital program; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:*

Federal government, Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, and State, local or tribal government; *Number of Respondents:* 350; *Total Annual Responses:* 350; *Total Annual Hours:* 175.

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, Information Technology Investment Management Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards, Attention: Julie Brown, Attn.: HCFA 784, Room N2-14-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

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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: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Hospice Request for Certification in the Medicare Program; *Form No.:* HCFA-417 (OMB # 0938-0313); *Use:* The Hospice Request for Certification Form is used for hospice identification, screening, and to initiate the certification process. The information captured on this form is entered into a data base which assists HCFA in determining whether providers have sufficient personnel to participate in the Medicare program; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, and State, local or tribal government; *Number of Respondents:* 2,286; *Total Annual Responses:* 2,286; *Total Annual Hours:* 572.

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, Information Technology Investment Management Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards, Attention: Julie Brown, Attn.: HCFA 417, Room N2-14-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

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