EPA has determined that the approval action proposed does not include a Federal mandate that may result in estimated costs of $100 million or more to either state, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate, or to the private sector. This Federal action proposes to approve pre-existing plans under state or local law, and take other actions which impose no new requirements. Accordingly, no additional costs to state, local, or tribal governments, or to the private sector, result from this action.

List of Subjects
40 CFR Part 52
- Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Volatile organic compounds, Nitrogen oxides, ozone.
40 CFR Part 81
- Environmental protection, Air pollution control, National parks, Wilderness areas.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.

Wanda L. Johnson,
Acting Regional Administrator, Region 7.

Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Health and Human Services has established a Negotiated Rulemaking Committee on Joint Tribal and Federal Self-Governance (Committee) to negotiate and develop a proposed rule implementing the Tribal Self-Governance Amendments of 2000 (the Act). We intend to publish the proposed rule for notice and comment no later than one year after the date of enactment of the Act (August 18, 2000+ one year), as required by section 517(a)(2) of the Act.

DATES: Upcoming meetings of the Committee are as follows:
1. April 17–19, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m., Washington, DC.
2. May 22–24, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m., Oklahoma City, OK.

ADDRESS: The meeting locations are:
2. Oklahoma City, OK—Waterford Marriott, 6300 Waterford Boulevard, Oklahoma City, OK 73118, Phone: 1–800–228–9209.

Written statements may be submitted to Paula Williams, Director, Office of Tribal Self-Governance, Indian Health Service, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 5A–55, Rockville, MD 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paula Williams, Director, Office of Tribal Self-Governance, Indian Health Service, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 5A–55, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone 301–443–7821. (This is not a toll-free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Both meetings are open to the public without advance registration. Public attendance may be limited to the space available. Members of the public may make statements during the meetings to the extent time permits and file written statements with the Committee for its consideration. Submit your written statements to the address listed above. Summaries of the Committee meetings will be available for public inspection and copying ten days following each meeting at the same address.

Michael H. Trujillo,
Assistant Surgeon General, Director, Indian Health Service.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

42 CFR Part 447
[HCFA–2100–P]
RIN 0936–AK89

Medicaid Program; Modification of the Medicaid Upper Payment Limit Transition Period for Inpatient Hospital Services, Outpatient Hospital Services, Nursing Facility Services, Intermediate Care Facility Services for the Mentally Retarded, and Clinic Services

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

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This proposed rule would modify the Medicaid upper payment (UPL) limit provisions to establish a new transition period for States that submitted plan amendments before March 13, 2001 that do not comply with the new UPLs effective on that date (but do comply with the prior UPLs) and were approved on or after January 22, 2001. This new transition period would apply to payments for inpatient hospital services, outpatient hospital services, nursing facility services, intermediate care facility services for the mentally retarded, and clinic services.

DATES: We will consider comments if we receive them at the appropriate address, as provided below, no later than 5 p.m. on March 5, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Mail written comments (1 original and 3 copies) to the following address: Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: HCFA–2100–P, P.O. Box 8016, Baltimore, MD 21244–8016.

To ensure that mailed comments are received in time for us to consider them, please allow for possible delays in delivering them.

If you prefer, you may deliver your written comments (1 original and 3 copies) to one of the following addresses: Room 443–G, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201, or Room C5–14–03, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244.

Comments mailed to the above addresses may be delayed and received too late for us to consider them.

Because of staff and resource limitations, we cannot accept comments by facsimile (FAX) transmission. In commenting, please refer to file code HCFA–2100–P. Comments received timely will be available for public inspection as they are received, generally beginning approximately 3 weeks after publication of a document, in Room C5–10–04 of the headquarters of the Health Care Financing Administration, 7500 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD on Monday through Friday of each week from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. To schedule a time to view the public comments, please call (410) 786–7915.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Weaver, (410) 786–5914—Nursing facility services and intermediate care facility services for the mentally retarded.
Larry Reed, (410) 786–3325—Inpatient and outpatient hospital services and clinic services.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In the final rule published on January 12, 2001 in the Federal Register (66 FR 3148), we specified transition periods for those States with State plan amendments (SPAs) approved before