

set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the office of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than September 3, 2002.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** (Susan Zubradt, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *James Michael McAuley and Charlie Edward Blankenship*; both of Norman, Oklahoma, as trustees for the Cynthia Ann Mayes Blankenship QSST; the Catherine Suzanne Mayes McAuley QSST; and the Mava Geraldine Mayes Trust, to retain control of Consolidated Equity Corporation, Purcell, Oklahoma, and thereby indirectly acquire control of First American Bank and Trust Company, Purcell, Oklahoma.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, August 14, 2002.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the Secretary

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collections; Comment Request

The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary will periodically publish summaries of proposed information collection projects and solicit public comments in compliance with the requirements of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. To request more information on the project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plans and instruments, call the OS Reports Clearance Office at (202) 619-2118 or e-mail *Geerie.Jones@HHS.gov*.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the

burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

*Proposed Project:* 1. Decisions, Choices and Care Management Among an Admissions Cohort of Privately Insured Disabled Elders (Long Term Care)—New—The Department's Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation proposes to conduct a study to better understand the circumstances or factors that motivate elders who have purchased private long-term care insurance policies to use services and file claims for benefits. The purpose is to obtain a comprehensive demographic, health and attitudinal profile of individuals with private LTC insurance policies.

*Respondents:* Individual.

*Number of Respondents Baseline Surveys:* 1,650.

*Estimated burden per Response:* 1.36 hours.

*Burden for Baseline Surveys:* 2,251 hours.

*Number of Responses for Follow-up Interview:* 5,105.

*Estimated Burden per Response:* 288 minutes.

*Burden for Follow-up Interviews:* 1,469.

*Total Number of Responses:* 6,755.

*Total Burden:* 3,720 hours.

Send comments via e-mail to *Geerie.Jones@HHS.gov* or mail to OS Reports Clearance Office, Room 503H, Huber H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201. Comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: August 9, 2002.

**Kerry Weems,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary, Budget.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

#### Preliminary Measure Set for the National Healthcare Quality Report

##### Request for Comments

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) announces a request for public comment on the Preliminary Measure Set to be used in preparing the first National Healthcare Quality Report (NHQR). The NHQR is a congressionally mandated report (*see* 42 U.S.C. 299b-2(b)(2)) on national trends

with respect to health care quality. The legislation mandated that the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) submit this report on an annual basis beginning in 2003. The Preliminary Measure Set for the NHQR was generated through a call for measures to Federal agencies and private organizations. AHRQ issued a call for measures to Federal agencies, through the Quality Interagency Coordination Task Force (QuIC), from October 2000-February 2001. The Institute of Medicine issued the call to private organizations from June-July 2000. An interagency Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) working group then reviewed and revised the candidate measures. AHRQ and the interagency working group are seeking comments on (1) the extent to which the proposed measures meet the criteria of importance, scientific soundness, and feasibility; (2) the balance, comprehensiveness, and robustness of the overall measure set; and (3) the appropriateness of the data sources.

#### Comments Deadline

Written comments will be accepted by September 18, 2002. For submission of written comments and additional information: Ed Kelley, Ph.D., Senior Service Fellow, National Healthcare Quality Report, Center for Quality Improvement and Patient Safety, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 6011 Executive Boulevard, Suite 200, Rockville, MD 20852, Fax: (301) 594-2155, E-mail: *ekelley@ahrq.gov*.

#### Availability of Preliminary Measure Set

Copies of the Preliminary Measure Set are available from the AHRQ Web site at: <http://www.ahrq.gov/qual/measurix.htm>. For organizations without access to the Internet, AHRQ will make a paper version available either through overnight mail or by fax upon written request. Requests for paper versions of the preliminary measure set should be faxed to the above number.

#### Public Review of Comments

Comments and responses received will be available for public inspection at AHRQ's Information Resource Center (IRC) public reading room between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. on regular business days at 2101 East Jefferson Street, Suite 500, Rockville, MD 20852. Arrangements for viewing public comments may be made by calling (301) 594-6349. Responses may also be accessed through AHRQ's Electronic Freedom of Information Reading Room