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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology; HIT Policy Committee’s Workgroup Meetings; Notice of Meetings

AGENCY: Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

This notice announces forthcoming subcommittee meetings of a federal advisory committee of the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC). The meetings will be open to the public via dial-in access only.

Name of Committees: HIT Policy Committee’s Workgroups: Meaningful Use, Privacy & Security Policy, Strategic Plan, Adoption/Certification, and Nationwide Health Information Infrastructure (NHIN) workgroups.

General Function of the Committee: To provide recommendations to the National Coordinator on a policy framework for the development and adoption of a nationwide health information technology infrastructure that permits the electronic exchange and use of health information as is consistent with the Federal Health IT Strategic Plan and that includes recommendations on the areas in which standards, implementation specifications, and certification criteria are needed.

Date and Time: The HIT Policy Committee Workgroups will hold the following public meetings during February 2010: February 3rd Privacy & Security Policy Workgroup, 3 to 4:30 p.m./Eastern Time; February 9th Strategic Plan Workgroup, 9 to 12 p.m./Eastern Time; February 10th NHIN Workgroup, 10 to 2 p.m./Eastern Time; February 19th Privacy & Security Policy Workgroup, 2 to 4 p.m./Eastern Time; and February 26th Strategic Plan Workgroup, 9 to 12 p.m./Eastern Time. Location: All workgroup meetings will be available via Webcast; for instructions on how to listen via telephone or Web visit http://healthit.hhs.gov. Please check the ONC Web site for additional information as it becomes available.

Contact Person: Judy Sparrow, Office of the National Coordinator, HHS, 330 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20201, 202–205–4528, Fax: 202–690–6079, e-mail: judy.sparrow@hhs.gov. Please call the contact person for up-to-date information on these meetings. A notice in the Federal Register about last-minute modifications that impact a previously announced advisory committee meeting cannot always be published quickly enough to provide timely notice.

Agenda: The workgroups will be discussing issues related to their specific subject matter, e.g., meaningful use, the NHIN, privacy and security policy, adoption/certification, or strategic planning. If background materials are associated with the workgroup meetings, they will be posted on ONC’s Web site prior to the meeting at http://healthit.hhs.gov.

Procurement: Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the workgroups. Written submissions may be made to the contact person on or before two days prior to the workgroups’ meeting date. Oral comments from the public will be scheduled at the conclusion of each workgroup meeting. Time allotted for each presentation will be limited to three minutes. If the number of speakers requesting to comment is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the scheduled open public session, ONC will take written comments after the meeting until close of business on that day.

If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Judy Sparrow at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Indian Health Service

Request for Public Comment: 30-Day Proposed Information Collection: Indian Health Service Customer Satisfaction Survey

AGENCY: Indian Health Service, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, which requires 30 days for public comment on proposed information collection projects, the Indian Health Service (IHS) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection project was previously published in the Federal Register (74 FR 46201) on September 8, 2009 and allowed 60 days for public comment. No public comment was received in response to the notice. The purpose of this notice is to allow 30 days for public comment to be submitted directly to OMB.

Proposed Collection: Title: 0917–NEW, "Indian Health Service Customer Satisfaction Survey." Type of Information Collection Request: Three year approval of this new information collection, 0917–NEW, "Indian Health Service Customer Satisfaction Survey." Form(s): Tribal Homeowner Survey, Tribal Partner Survey, Annual Operator Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Survey, and Post Construction O&M Survey. Need and Use of Information Collection: The IHS goal is to raise the health status of the American Indian and Alaska Native people to the highest possible level by providing comprehensive health care and preventive health services. To support the IHS mission, the Sanitation Facilities Construction Program (SFCP) provides technical and financial assistance to American Indian Tribes and Alaska Native villages for cooperative development and continued operation of safe water, wastewater, and solid waste systems and related support facilities.

The IHS Office of Environmental Health and Engineering (OEHE), SFCP
“Customer Satisfaction Surveys,” will provide the information needed to complete these goals. With the information collected from Tribal homeowners, Tribal leaders, and Tribal operation and maintenance operators, the Sanitation facilities programs will make improvements that will result in improved quality of services.

Voluntary customer satisfaction surveys will be conducted through phone calls, mail, and the Internet. The information gathered will be used by agency management and staff to identify strengths and weaknesses in current service provision, to plan and redirect resources, to make improvements that are practical and feasible, and to provide vital feedback to partner agencies, Tribal leaders, system operators, health boards, and community members regarding customer satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the SFCP.

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There are no Capital Costs, Operating Costs, and/or Maintenance Costs to report.

Request for Comments: Your written comments and/or suggestions are invited on one or more of the following points: (a) Whether the information collection activity is necessary to carry out an agency function; (b) whether the agency processes the information collected in a useful and timely fashion; (c) the accuracy of the public burden estimate (the estimated amount of time needed for individual respondents to provide the requested information); (d) whether the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates are logical; (e) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (f) ways to minimize the public burden through the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Direct Comments to OMB: Send your written comments and suggestions regarding the proposed information collection contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time to: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for IHS, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

Send Comments and Requests for Further Information: To request more information on the proposed collection or to obtain a copy of the data collection instrument(s) and/or instruction(s) contact Ms. Betty Gould, Reports Clearance Officer, 801 Thompson Avenue, TMP, Suite 450, Rockville, MD 20852–1627; call non-toll free (301) 443–7899; send via facsimile to (301) 443–9879; or send your e-mail requests, comments, and return address to: Betty.Gould@ihs.gov.

Comment Due Date: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having full effect if received within 30 days of the date of this publication.


Yvette Roubideaux,
Director, Indian Health Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services


Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) 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.

1. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Detailed Notice of Discharge (DND); Use: A beneficiary/enrollee who wishes to appeal a determination by a Medicare health plan or hospital that inpatient care is no longer necessary, may request Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) review of the determination. On the date the QIO receives the beneficiary’s/enrollee’s request, it must notify the plan and hospital that the beneficiary/enrollee has filed a request for an expedited determination. The plan (for a managed care enrollee) or hospital (for an original Medicare beneficiary), in turn, must deliver a detailed notice to the enrollee/beneficiary. Form Number: CMS–10066 (OMB#: 0938–1019); Frequency: Reporting—Yearly; AFFECTED PUBLIC: Business or other for-profits and not-for-profit institutions; Number of Respondents: 6163; Total Annual Responses: 13,218; Total Annual Hours: 13,218. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Evelyn Blaemire at 410–786–1803. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

2. Type of Information Collection Request: Revision of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Important