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The National Science Board’s Committee on Strategy and Budget’s Subcommittee on Facilities, pursuant to NSF regulations (45 CFR part 614), the National Science Foundation Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1862n–5), and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(4)), OPM first published a system of records notice pertaining to the Health Claims Data Warehouse on October 5, 2010 with the comment period closing November 15, 2010. On November 15, 2010, OPM extended the comment period to December 15, 2010 and indicated its intent to modify certain aspects of the system of records notice. On December 15, 2010, OPM published a notice closing the comment period. Based on the comments received during the comment period, OPM issues this revised notice that, among other things: limits the scope of the system to information pertaining to the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program; significantly narrows the circumstances under which routine use disclosures will be made from the system; clarifies that only de-identified data will be released outside of OPM; provides greater detail regarding OPM authorities for maintaining the system; and further describes systems security measures that will be taken to protect the records.

DATES: This action will be effective without further notice on July 15, 2011 unless comments are received that would result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to the Office of Personnel Management, ATTN: Gary A. Lukowski, PhD, Manager, Data Analysis, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW., Room 7439, Washington, DC 20415 or to gary.lukowski@opm.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The purpose of this system of records is to provide a central database from which OPM may analyze costs and utilization of services associated with the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program to ensure the best value for both enrollees and taxpayers. OPM will collect, manage, and analyze health services data that health insurers and administrators will provide through secure data transfer for the program. OPM’s analyses of the data will include: The cost of care; utilization of services; and quality of care for specific population groups, geographic areas, health plans, health care providers, disease conditions, and other relevant categories. The information contained in the database will assist in improving the effectiveness and efficiency of care delivered by health care providers to the enrollees by facilitating robust contract negotiations, health plan accountability, performance management, and program evaluation. OPM will use identifiable data to create person-level longitudinal records, which are long-term health records that will allow us to examine individual health information over time. However, OPM analysts using the database for analysis purposes will only have access to de-identified data. Likewise, only de-identified data will be supplied to external analysts.

Information on enrollees in the Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan (PCIP) had been proposed to be included in this database. However, OPM and HHS have determined that it is unnecessary to include claims from the Federally-run PCIP in this System of Records. In its role administering the program as a whole, HHS intends to collect de-identified claims level data on the program. Because OPM manages the day-to-day operation of the Federally-run PCIP pursuant to an agreement with HHS under the Economy Act, 31 U.S.C. 1535, HHS intends to make these de-identified data available to OPM for monitoring and oversight activities. Additionally, the original notice proposed including in this database information on enrollees in the OPM-regulated Multi-State Plans (MSP) which will appear on state exchanges beginning January 1, 2014. OPM has determined that it is premature to establish a System of Records for a program that will not become operational until 2014.


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Director.

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SYSTEM NAME:
Health Claims Data Warehouse (HCDW).

SYSTEM LOCATION:
Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20415.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:
This system will contain records on the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (FEHBP). The FEHBP includes Federal employees, Postal employees, uniformed service members, retirees, and their family members who voluntarily participate in the Program.