Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000. On March 6, 2013, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. 7384(q)(b), the Secretary of HHS designated the following class of employees as an addition to the SEC:

All Atomic Weapons Employees who worked at the King Avenue facility owned by Battelle Laboratories in Columbus, Ohio, during the period from April 16, 1943, through June 30, 1956, for a number of work days aggregating at least 250 work days, occurring either solely under this employment or in combination with work days within the parameters established for one or more other classes of employees included in the Special Exposure Cohort.

This designation became effective on April 5, 2013, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. 7384(q)(14)(C). Hence, beginning on April 5, 2013, members of this class of employees, defined as reported in this notice, became members of the SEC.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Final Effect of Designation of a Class of Employees for Addition to the Special Exposure Cohort

AGENCY: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HHS gives notice concerning the final effect of the HHS decision to designate a class of employees from the Baker Brothers site in Toledo, Ohio, as an addition to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000. On March 6, 2013, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. 7384(q)(b), the Secretary of HHS designated the following class of employees as an addition to the SEC:

All Atomic Weapons Employees who worked at the Baker Brothers site in Toledo, Ohio, during the period from June 1, 1943, through December 31, 1944, for a number of work days aggregating at least 250 work days, occurring either solely under this employment, or in combination with work days within the parameters established for one or more other classes of employees included in the Special Exposure Cohort.

This designation became effective on April 5, 2013, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. 7384(q)(14)(C). Hence, beginning on April 5, 2013, members of this class of employees, defined as reported in this notice, became members of the SEC.

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; 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), 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 function; (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: Revision of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Notice of Denial of Medical Coverage (or Payment). Use: Form CMS–10003 is currently separated into a Notice of Denial of Medical Coverage (NDCM) and a Notice of Denial of Payment (NDP). The revised notice that is the subject of this PRA package combines the NDCM and the NDP notices and incorporates text to be inserted if the Medicare health plan enrollee receives full benefits under a State Medical Assistance (Medicaid) program being managed by the plan and the plan denies a service or item that is also subject to Medicaid appeal rights. Form Number: CMS–10003 [OCN: 0938–0829]. Frequency: Occasionally; Affected Public: Private sector (business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions). Number of Respondents: 665. Total Annual Responses: 6,960,410. Total Annual Hours: 1,159,604. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Kathryn McCann Smith at 410–786–7623. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

2. Type of Information Collection Request: Revision of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Long Term Care Hospital (LCTH) Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation (CARE) Data Set; Use: Section 3004 of the Affordable Care Act authorizes the establishment of a new quality reporting program for long term care hospitals (LTCFs). The LTCFs that fail to submit quality measure data may be subject to a 2 percentage point reduction in their annual update to the standard Federal rate for discharges occurring during a rate year. In the FY 2013 IPPS/LTCH PPS final rule (76 FR 51743 through 51756), CMS retained three National Quality Forum (NQF) measures (NQF #0678, NQF #0138 and NQF #0139) and adopted two new measures (NQF #0680 and NQF #0431) for the FY 2016 payment determination. The NQF #0680 is the percent of residents or patients who were assessed and appropriately given the seasonal influenza vaccine (short-stay). The NQF #0431 is influenza vaccination coverage among healthcare personnel. The data collection for these two NQF endorsed measures will start January 1, 2014.

The LTCH CARE Data Set was developed specifically for use in LTCHs for data collection of NQF #0678 Pressure Ulcer measures beginning October 1, 2012, with the understanding that the data set would expand in future rulemaking years with the adoption of additional quality measures. Relevant data elements contained in other well-known and clinically established data sets, including but not limited to the Minimum Data Set 3.0 (MDS 3.0) and CARE, were incorporated into the LTCH
CARE Data Set V1.01. Form Number: CMS–10409 (OCN: 0938–1163).  
Frequency: Occasionally; Affected Public: Private Sector: Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions; Number of Respondents: 442; Total Annual Responses: 403,988; Total Annual Hours: 212,160. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Charles Padgett at 410–786–2811. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

3. Type of Information Collection Request: New collection (request for a new OMB control number). Title of Information Collection: Emergency Department Patient Experience of Care Survey. Use: This survey supports the six national priorities for improving care from the National Quality Strategy developed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) that was called for under the Affordable Care Act to create national aims and priorities to guide local, state, and national efforts to improve the quality of health care. The priorities support a three-part aim focusing on better care, better health, and lower costs through improvement. In this regard, this survey will provide patient experiences with care data that enables making comparisons of emergency departments across the nation and promoting effective communication and coordination. Form Number: CMS–10461 (OCN: 0938—New). Frequency: Once. Affected Public: Individuals and households. Number of Respondents: Total Annual Responses: 3,360. Total Annual Hours: 799. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Sai Ma at 410–786–1479. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

To obtain copies of the printing statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access CMS Web site address at http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995, or Email your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786–1326.

To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be received by the OMB desk officer at the address below, no later than 5 p.m. on May 13, 2013. OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: CMS Desk Officer, Fax Number: (202) 395–6974. Email: OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: April 9, 2013.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
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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: Medicare Part B Reconciliation Reporting Agreement. Use: Section 1842(b) of the Social Security Act permits physicians and suppliers to voluntarily participate in Medicare Part B by agreeing to take assignment on all claims for services to Medicare beneficiaries. The law also requires that the Secretary provide specific benefits to the physicians, suppliers, and other persons who do not participate: Medicare beneficiaries to assist them in locating physicians who will accept Medicare assignment on claims for services and therefore save them money; and CMS to gauge the effectiveness of our and contractors efforts to increase participation in Medicare. Form Number: CMS–460 (OCN: 0938–0373). Frequency: Yearly. Affected Public: Private sector (business or other for-profits). Number of Respondents: 120,000. Total Annual Responses: 120,000. Total Annual Hours: 30,000. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact April Billingsley at 410–786–0140. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

2. Type of Information Collection Request: New collection; Title of Information Collection: Issuer Reporting Requirements for Selecting a Cost-Sharing Reductions Reconciliation Methodology. Use: Under established Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) regulations, qualified health plan (QHP) issuers will receive advance payments of the cost-sharing reductions throughout the year. Each issuer will then be subject to one of two reconciliation processes after the year to ensure that HHS reimbursed each issuer the correct advance cost-sharing amount. This information collection request establishes the data collection requirements for a QHP issuer to report to HHS which reconciliation reporting option the issuer will be subject to for a given benefit year.

On March 23, 2010, the President signed into law H.R. 3590, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Affordable Care Act), Public Law 111–148. Sections 1402 and 1412 of the Affordable Care Act provide for reductions in cost sharing on essential health benefits for low- and moderate-income enrollees in silver level qualified health plans on individual market Exchanges. It also provides for reductions in cost sharing for Indians enrolled in QHPs at any metal level. These cost-sharing reductions will help eligible individuals and families afford the out-of-pocket spending associated with health care services provided through Exchange-based QHP coverage.

The law directs QHP issuers to notify the Secretary of HHS of cost-sharing reductions made under the statute for qualified individuals, and directs the Secretary to make periodic and timely payments to the QHP issuer equal to the value of those reductions. Further, the law permits advance payment of the cost-sharing reduction amounts to QHP issuers based upon amounts specified by the Secretary.