

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request”. That notice invited public comments on two separate information collection requests, under Document Identifiers: CMS–R–262 and CMS–10398. Through the publication of this document, we are withdrawing the portion of the notice requesting public comment on the information collection request titled, “Contract Year 2019 Plan Benefit Package (PBP) Software and Formulary Submission.” The associated form number is CMS–R–262 (OMB control number: 0938–0763). The comment period for CMS–10398 (OMB control number: 0938–1148) titled, “Generic Clearance for Medicaid and CHIP State Plan, Waiver, and Program Submissions” remains in effect and ends on January 12, 2018.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[Document Identifier CMS–10637]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on CMS’ intention to collect information from the public. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information (including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information) and to allow 60 days for public comment on the proposed action. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding our burden estimates or any other aspect of this collection of information, including the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency’s functions, the accuracy of the estimated burden, ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of

information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

DATES: Comments must be received by February 20, 2018.

ADDRESSES: When commenting, please reference the document identifier or OMB control number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be submitted in any one of the following ways:

1. *Electronically.* You may send your comments electronically to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for “Comment or Submission” or “More Search Options” to find the information collection document(s) that are accepting comments.

2. *By regular mail.* You may mail written comments to the following address: CMS, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Division of Regulations Development, Attention: Document Identifier/OMB Control Number _____, Room C4–26–05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244–1850.

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, you may make your request using one of following:

1. Access CMS’ website address at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995>.

2. Email your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov.

3. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786–1326.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William Parham at (410) 786–4669.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Contents

This notice sets out a summary of the use and burden associated with the following information collections. More detailed information can be found in each collection’s supporting statement and associated materials (see **ADDRESSES**).

CMS–10637 Marketplace Operations

Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. The term “collection of information” is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA requires federal agencies to publish a

60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, CMS is publishing this notice.

Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New collection (Request for a new OMB control number); *Title of Information Collection:* Marketplace Operations; *Use:* On August 30, 2013, HHS published the final rule CMS–9957–F: Program Integrity: Exchanges, SHOP, Eligibility Appeals (Program Integrity final rule), finalizing a number of the provisions from the Program Integrity and E&E II Proposed Rules. The third party disclosure requirements and data collections in the Program Integrity final rule support the oversight of qualified health plan (QHP) issuers in Federally-facilitated Exchanges (FfEs) and other provisions. OMB approved the associated information collection request under OMB control number 0938–1213 on November 21, 2013. The Program Integrity ICR was inclusive of many unrelated information collection requirements covered in the Program Integrity Final Rule. This proposed ICR serves as the formal request for a new stand-alone information collection request to cover existing Marketplace Operations requirements previously approved under OMB control number 0938–1213 (Program Integrity and Additional State Information Collections). *Form Number:* CMS–10637 (OMB control number 0938–NEW). *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Private Sector, State, Business, and Not-for Profits; *Number of Respondents:* 3,902; *Number of Responses:* 3,902; *Total Annual Hours:* 2,336,190. (For questions regarding this collection contact Joshua Annas at (301) 492–4407.)

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