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: Extension of a currently approved collection. **Title of Information Collection:** Business Proposal Forms for Quality Improvement Organizations (QIOs); **Use:** The submission of proposal information by current quality improvement associations (QIOs) and other bidders, on the appropriate forms, will satisfy our need for meaningful, consistent, and verifiable data with which to evaluate contract proposals. We use the data collected on the forms associated with this information collection request to negotiate QIO contracts. We will be able to compare the costs reported by the QIOs on the cost reports to the proposed costs noted on the business proposal forms. Subsequent contract and modification negotiations will be based on historic cost data. The business proposal forms will be one element of the historical cost data from which we can analyze future proposed costs. In addition, the business proposal format will standardize the cost proposing and pricing process among all QIOs. With well-defined cost centers and line items, proposals can be compared among QIOs for reasonableness and appropriateness. **Form Number:** CMS–718–721 (OMB control number: 0938–0579); **Frequency:** Annually; **Affected Public:** Business or other for-profits and Not-for-profit institutions; **Number of Respondents:** 58; **Total Annual Responses:** 58; **Total Annual Hours:** 2,320. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Benjamin Bernstein at 410–786–6570.)

2. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection. **Title of Information Collection:** Medicare/Medicaid Psychiatric Hospital Survey Data and Supporting Regulations; **Use:** The CMS–724 form is used to collect data that assists us in program planning and evaluation and in maintaining an accurate database on providers participating in the psychiatric hospital program. Specifically, we use the information collected on this form in evaluating the Medicare psychiatric hospital program. The form is also used for audit purposes; determining patient population and characteristics of the hospital; and survey term composition. **Form Number:** CMS–724 (OMB control number: 0938–0378); **Frequency:** Annually; **Affected Public:** Business or other for-profits and Not-for-profit institutions; **Number of Respondents:** 19; **Total Annual Responses:** 191; **Total Annual Hours:** 96. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Caroline Gallaher at 410–786–8705.)

Dated: February 1, 2021.

William N. Parham, III,
Director, Paperwork Reduction Staff, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs.

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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 on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by March 8, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

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 the following:


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
William Parham at (410) 786–4669.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (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 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires federal agencies to publish a 30-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 that summarizes the following proposed collection(s) of information for public comment:

1. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) Assumption of Responsibilities and Supporting Regulations; Use: The Peer Review Improvement Act of 1982 amended Title XI of the Social Security Act to create the Utilization and Quality Control Peer Review Organization (PRO) program which replaces the Professional Standards Review Organization (PSRO) program and streamlines peer review activities. The term PRO has been renamed Quality Improvement Organization (QIO). This information collection describes the review functions to be performed by the QIO. It outlines relationships among QIOs, providers, practitioners, beneficiaries, intermediaries, and carriers. Form Number: CMS–R–71 (OMB control number: 0938–0445); Frequency: Yearly; Affected Public: Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions; Number of Respondents: 6,939; Total Annual Responses: 972,478; Total Annual Hours: 1,034,655. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Kimberly Harris at 401–837–1118.)

2. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: ASC Forms for Medicare Program Certification; Use: The form CMS–370 titled “Health Insurance Benefits Agreement” is used for the purpose of establishing an ASC’s eligibility for payment under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act (the “Act”). This agreement, upon acceptance by the Secretary of Health & Human Services, shall be binding on the ASC and the Secretary. The agreement may be terminated by either party in accordance with regulations. In the event of termination of the agreement, payment will not be available for the ASC’s services furnished to Medicare beneficiaries on or after the effective date of termination.

The CMS–377 form is used by ASCs to initiate both the initial and renewal survey by the State Survey Agency, which provides the certification required for an ASC to participate in the Medicare program. An ASC must complete the CMS–377 form and send it to the appropriate State Survey Agency prior to their scheduled accreditation renewal date. The CMS–377 form provides the State Survey Agency with information about the ASC facility’s characteristics, such as, determining the size and the composition of the survey team on the basis of the number of ORs/ procedure rooms and the types of surgical procedures performed in the ASC. Form Numbers: CMS–370 and CMS–377 (OMB control number: 0938–0206); Frequency: Occasionally; Affected Public: Private sector—Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions; Number of Respondents: 1,567; Total Annual Responses: 1,567; Total Annual Hours: 1,012. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Caroline Gallaher at 410–786–8705.)

3. Type of Information Collection Request: Reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Home Health Agency Survey and Deficiencies Report; Use: In order to participate in the Medicare Program as a Home Health Agency (HHA) provider, the HHA must meet federal standards. This form is used to record information and patients’ health and provider compliance with requirements and to report the information to the federal government. Form Number: CMS–1572 (OMB control number: 0938–0355); Frequency: Yearly; Affected Public: State, Local or Tribal Government; Number of Respondents: 3,833; Total Annual Responses: 3,833; Total Annual Hours: 1,917. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Tara Lemons at 410–786–3030.)

4. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Final Peer Review Organizations Sanction Regulations; Use: The Peer Review Improvement Act of 1982 amended Title XI of the Social Security Act (the Act), creating the Utilization and Quality Control Peer Review Organization Program. Section 1156 of the Act imposes obligations on health care practitioners and others who furnish or order services or items under Medicare. This section also provides for sanction actions, if the Secretary determines that the obligations as stated by this section are not met. Quality Improvement Organizations (QIOs) are responsible for identifying violations. The QIOs may allow practitioners or other entities, opportunities to submit relevant information before determining that a violation has occurred. The information collection requirements contained in this information collection request are used by the QIOs to collect the information necessary to make their decision. Form Number: CMS–R–65 (OMB control number: 0938–0444); Frequency: Occasionally; Affected Public: Private sector—Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions; Number of Respondents: 18; Total Annual Responses: 18; Total Annual Hours: 4,716. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Kimberly Harris at 401–837–1118.)
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[Document Identifier: CMS–10292]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Health and Human 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 a second opportunity for public comment on the notice. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden estimate 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 on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by March 8, 2021.

ADDRESS: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

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:


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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Parham at (410) 786–4669.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (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 that 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 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires federal agencies to publish a 30-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 that summarizes the following proposed collection(s) of information for public comment:

1. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: State Medicaid HIT Plan, Planning Advance Planning Document, and Implementation Advance Planning Document for Section 4201 of the Recovery Act; Use: To assess the appropriateness of state requests for the administrative Federal financial participation for expenditures under their Medicaid Electronic Health Record Incentive Program related to health information exchange, our staff will review the submitted information and documentation to make an approval determination of the state advance planning document. Form Number: CMS–10292 (OMB control number: 0938–1088); Frequency: Once and occasionally; Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments; Number of Respondents: 56; Total Annual Responses: 896; Total Annual Hours: 896. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Edward Dolly at 410–786–8554.)

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Office of the Secretary
Findings of Research Misconduct; Correction

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Correction of notice.

SUMMARY: This document corrects errors that appeared in the notice published in the November 7, 2019, Federal Register entitled “Findings of Research Misconduct.”

DATES: Effective Date: February 4, 2021.
Applicability Date: The correction notice is applicable for the Findings of Research Misconduct notice published on November 7, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Karen Gorirossi or Dr. Alexander Runko at 240–453–8800.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In FR Doc. 2019–24291 of November 7, 2019 (84 FR 60097–60098), there were errors involving incorrect citations for published papers affecting six paragraphs on page 60098. The errors are identified and corrected in the Correction of Errors section below.

II. Correction of Errors

In FR Doc. 2019–24291 of November 7, 2019 (84 FR 60097–60098), make the following corrections:


4. On page 60098, second column, in FR Doc. 2019–24291, second paragraph,