

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[Document Identifiers: CMS–10779 and CMS–3427]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; 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 (the 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 April 18, 2022.

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 <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRA-Listing>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William N. 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–10779—Complaints Submission Process under the No Surprises Act
CMS–3427—End Stage Renal Disease Application and Survey and Certification Report

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:* Complaints Submission Process under the No Surprises Act; *Use:* The No Surprises Act directs the Departments to establish a process to receive complaints regarding violations of the application of qualifying payment amount (QPA) requirements by group health plans and health insurance issuers offering group or individual health coverage. The No Surprises Act also directs HHS to establish a process to receive consumer complaints regarding violations by health care providers, facilities, and

providers of air ambulance services regarding balance billing requirements and to respond to such complaints within 60 days. CMS will request information from non-federal governmental plans and issuers, health care providers, facilities, providers of air ambulance services, and individuals to review and process a complaint for potential violations of balance billing requirements. *Form Number:* CMS–10779 (OMB control number: 0938–1406); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* Private Sector (Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions); *Number of Respondents:* 39,000; *Total Annual Responses:* 39,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 19,500. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Patrick Edwards at 301–492–4371.)

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* End Stage Renal Disease Application and Survey and Certification Report; *Use:* The Form CMS–3427 is required for each new ESRD facility seeking initial certification and for each existing facility seeking recertification, relocation, expansion/change of service(s), or change of ownership. The form is also used for information collection purposes related to a complaint survey of an ESRD facility. The Form CMS–3427 information is currently collected on paper as a manual option or may be completed in an online fillable format based on facility preference. This online form is a step in the direction towards electronic submission. *Form Number:* CMS–3427 (OMB control number: 0938–0360); *Frequency:* Every three years; *Affected Public:* Private sector (Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions); *Number of Respondents:* 7,883; *Total Annual Responses:* 2,601; *Total Annual Hours:* 866. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Jennifer Milby at 410–786–8828.)

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