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## GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

### Request for Nominations for the Board of Governors of the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)

**AGENCY:** Government Accountability Office (GAO).

**ACTION:** Request for letters of nomination and resumes.

**SUMMARY:** The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act gave the Comptroller General of the United States responsibility for appointing up to 21 members to the Board of Governors of the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute. In addition, the Directors of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality and the National Institutes of Health, or their designees, are members of the Board. As the result of terms ending in September 2022, GAO is accepting nominations in the following categories: A surgeon, a state-licensed integrative health care practitioner, a representative of patients and health care consumers, a representative of device manufacturers or developers, a representative of pharmaceutical manufacturers or developers, and a representative of private payers who represents health insurance issuers. Nominations should be sent to the email address listed below. Acknowledgement of submissions will be provided within a week of submission.

**DATES:** Letters of nomination and resumes should be submitted no later than May 10, 2022, to ensure adequate opportunity for review and consideration of nominees prior to appointment.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit letters of nomination and resumes to [PCORI@gao.gov](mailto:PCORI@gao.gov). Include PCORI Nomination in the subject line of the email.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ray Sendejas at (202) 512-7113 or [SendajasR@gao.gov](mailto:SendajasR@gao.gov) if you do not receive an acknowledgement or need

additional information. For general information, contact GAO's Office of Public Affairs, (202) 512-4800.

**Authority:** Sec. 6301 and Sec. 10602, Pub. L. 111-148, 124 Stat. 119, 727, 1005 (2010); Div. N, Sec. 104, Pub. L. 116-94, 133 Stat. 2534 (2019).

**Gene L. Dodaro,**

*Comptroller General of the United States.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Docket No. CDC-2022-0044]

### CDC Recommendations for Hepatitis B Screening and Testing—United States, 2022; Request for Comment

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice with comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), located within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), announces the opening of a docket to obtain comment on proposed updated recommendations for hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection screening and testing (Proposed Updated Recommendations), including hepatitis B screening at least once in a lifetime for persons 18 years of age and older, using a three-test panel. The Proposed Updated Recommendations also expand existing risk-based testing recommendations to include the following populations, activities, exposures, or conditions associated with increased risk for HBV infection: Persons currently or formerly incarcerated in a jail, prison, or other detention setting; persons with a history of sexually transmitted infections or multiple sex partners; and persons with a history of hepatitis C virus infection. The Proposed Updated Recommendations are intended to inform the practices of and care by U.S. healthcare providers and are based on scientific evidence of the effectiveness and economic value of screening to diagnose current HBV infection among adults in the United States.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received on or before June 3, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC-2022-0044, by either of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- **Mail:** Division of Viral Hepatitis, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop U12-3, Atlanta, GA 30329, Attn: Docket No. CDC-2022-0044.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket Number. All relevant comments received will be posted without change to <http://regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. Do not submit comments by email; CDC does not accept comments by email. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Erin Conners, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop U12-3, Atlanta, GA 30329; Telephone: 404-639-8000; Email: [DVHpolicy@cdc.gov](mailto:DVHpolicy@cdc.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Public Participation

Interested persons or organizations are invited to participate by submitting written views, recommendations, and data related to any of the Proposed Updated Recommendations or supporting evidence. In addition, CDC invites comments specifically on the following questions:

- Based on the evidence presented in the full recommendations document (see the Supporting and Related Materials tab in the docket), does the evidence support the Proposed Updated Recommendations for HBV infection screening and testing? If not, please state the reason why and, if available, provide additional evidence for consideration.

- Are CDC's Proposed Updated Recommendations (see Supporting and Related Materials) clearly written? If not, what changes do you propose to make them clearer?

- If implemented as currently drafted, do you believe the Proposed Updated Recommendations would result in a reduction in HBV infections and associated health and financial consequences (e.g., patient and healthcare costs to treat chronic hepatitis B) in the United States? If not, please provide an explanation and supporting data or evidence.

Please note that comments received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and are subject to public disclosure. Comments will be posted on <https://www.regulations.gov>. Therefore, do not include any information in your

comment or supporting materials that you consider confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure. If you include your name, contact information, or other information that identifies you in the body of your comments, that information will be on public display. CDC will review all submissions and may choose to redact, or withhold, submissions containing private or proprietary information such as Social Security numbers, medical information, inappropriate language, or duplicate/near duplicate examples of a mass-mail campaign. Do not submit comments by email. CDC does not accept comments by email.

### Background and Brief Description

Hepatitis B virus (HBV) is transmitted via blood or sexual contact. Persons with chronic HBV infection are at increased risk for cirrhosis and liver cancer and require medical care (Schillie et al., 2018). National health survey data indicate that about 880,000 people were living with HBV infection in the United States during 2013–2018, with modeled data putting that estimate at 1.89 million (Roberts, Ly, et al., 2021; Wong et al., 2021). Testing is the first step in accessing treatment, but an estimated two-thirds of people living with hepatitis B in the United States during 2013–2018 were unaware of their HBV infection (Kim et al., 2013). Despite the availability of highly effective hepatitis B vaccines that can prevent development of subsequent acute and chronic liver disease, 70 percent of adults in the United States self-reported they were unvaccinated as of 2018 (Lu et al., 2021). National surveillance data reveal that during 2011–2019, rates of reported acute hepatitis B steadily increased among persons aged 40–49 and 50–59 years (CDC Viral Hepatitis Surveillance, 2021). Among the acute HBV cases reported to CDC in 2019, injection drug use was the most common risk factor (CDC Viral Hepatitis Surveillance, 2021). Rates of newly reported chronic hepatitis B were highest among persons aged 30–49 years, Asian/Pacific Islander persons, and Black/African American persons in 2019 (CDC Viral Hepatitis Surveillance, 2021). Providing a framework to reach the World Health Organization (WHO) viral hepatitis elimination goals, the Viral Hepatitis National Strategic Plan for the United States calls for an increase in the proportion of people with HBV infection who are aware of their infection from a baseline of 32 percent during 2013–2016 to 90 percent by 2030 (Department of Health and Human Services, 2020). In support of this goal,

CDC used current evidence to update its previous 2008 recommendations for testing and management for people with chronic hepatitis B in the United States.

As described in the recommendation document found in the Supporting and Related Materials tab of the docket, these recommendations supplement previously published CDC recommendations for testing and identifying persons with chronic HBV infection in the United States published in 2008 (Weinbaum et al., 2008). They do so by adding hepatitis B screening at least once in a lifetime for persons aged 18 years of age and older and specifying the use of the three-test panel during screening to identify persons who: (1) Have a current HBV infection, (2) have resolved infection and who may be susceptible to reactivation, (3) are susceptible and need vaccination, or (4) are vaccinated.

Dated: March 30, 2022.

**Angela K. Oliver,**  
Executive Secretary, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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#### 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 May 4, 2022.

**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](http://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:

1. Access CMS' website address at website address at: <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/Paperwork-ReductionActof1995/PRA-Listing.html>.

#### 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:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (MCBS); *Use:* CMS is the largest single payer of health care in the United States. The agency plays a direct or indirect role in administering health insurance coverage for more than 120 million people across