

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 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:**

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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–10816 Medicare Part C and Medicare Part D Enrollment Form Interviews

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; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Part C and Medicare Part D Enrollment Form Interviews; *Use:* As CMS moves towards

stratified reporting of quality measures and addressing healthcare inequity, highlighted by the COVID–19 pandemic, the ability to analyze disparities across Medicare programs and policies depends on the ability to access and collect reliable race and ethnicity data consistently from Medicare Part C and Part D plans. The recent Executive Orders (E.O.) 13985 on Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government and E.O. 14031 on Advancing Equity, Justice, and Opportunity for Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders, have focused attention on the need for CMS to improve the collection and quality of its enrollees’ race and ethnicity data, especially at the disaggregated level. Collecting complete race/ethnicity data is important to CMS because CMS has interest in identifying patterns of differences across many key process and care outcomes by sociodemographic characteristics, including race and ethnicity.

CMS’ primary objective for the interviews is to identify the drivers of nonresponse to the race and ethnicity questions. Specifically, we aim to solicit detail on whether and what concerns drove individuals’ nonresponse to these items, including (but not limited to) (a) concerns about confidentiality of their data, (b) concerns about how their race and ethnicity data would be used, including concerns about whether disclosing such information could in any way affect eligibility for Medicare benefits (which it would not), or (c) concerns about response options (*e.g.*, missing response options for race or ethnicity groups in which they may identify). We also intend to explore whether it is possible to amend the race and ethnicity elements on Part C/D enrollment form to address any of those concerns, and if so, how. Additionally, we plan to ask whether there are other—beyond the Part C/D enrollment form—vehicles for collecting race and ethnicity information that would be more acceptable to non-responders, and if so, what those are.; *Form Number:* CMS–10816 (OMB control number: 0938–New); *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Individuals and Households; *Number of Respondents:* 120; *Total Annual Responses:* 120; *Total Annual Hours:* 114. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Deme Umo at 410–786–8854).

Dated: August 17, 2022.

**William N. Parham, III,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Proposed Information Collection Activity; Administration for Children and Families Uniform Project Description**

**AGENCY:** Office of Administration, Office of Grants Policy, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

**ACTION:** Request for public comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is requesting revisions to the approved ACF Uniform Project Description (UPD) (Office of Management and Budget (OMB) #0970–0139, expiration March 31, 2025).

**DATES:** *Comments due within 60 days of publication.* In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ACF is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above.

**ADDRESSES:** You can obtain copies of the proposed collection of information and submit comments by emailing [infocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:infocollection@acf.hhs.gov). Identify all requests by the title of the information collection.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Description:* The proposed information collection would revise the approved ACF UPD. The UPD provides a uniform format for applicants to submit project information in response to ACF discretionary Notices of Funding Opportunity. The UPD requires applicants to describe how program objectives will be achieved and provide a rationale for the project’s budgeted costs. All ACF discretionary grant programs are required to use the UPD.

ACF uses this information, along with other OMB-approved information collections (Standard Forms), to evaluate and rank applications. Use of the UPD protects the integrity of the ACF award selection process.

*The UDP has been revised as follows:* (1) included a text field for the Geographic Location standardized text, which will allow ACF program offices

to enter project-specific language; (2) under Organizational Capacity, inserted an option to allow submission of an Audit Summary report in lieu of a full audit report; (3) inserted a checkbox and standardized language to request current and pending funding support; (4) added a prior written approval requirement to

Plan for Oversight of Federal Award Funds and Activities; (5) included Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) under Third Party Agreements; and (6) updated The Project Budget and Budget Justification standardized language related to salary limitation, budget preparation, fringe benefits, definition

of supplies, contractual costs, accounting for real property, the Other Costs category, and Indirect Costs.

*Respondents:* Applicants responding to ACF Discretionary Notices of Funding Opportunity.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Total number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours	Annual burden hours
ACF Uniform Project Description .....	3,218	1	60	193,080	64,360

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 64,360.

*Comments:* The Department specifically requests comments on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

*Authority:* 45 CFR 75.203–75.204, and 45 CFR part 75, appendix I.

Mary B. Jones,  
ACF/OPRE Certifying Officer.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Proposed Information Collection Activity; The Role of Licensing in Early Care and Education (New Collection)**

**AGENCY:** Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

**ACTION:** Request for Public Comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), is proposing to collect information for The Role of Licensing in Early Care and Education (TRLECE) project. This data collection aims to examine the child care and early education (CCEE) licensing system through surveys of child care licensing administrators, front-line child care licensing staff, and child care providers.

**DATES:** *Comments due within 60 days of publication.* In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ACF is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above.

**ADDRESSES:** You can obtain copies of the proposed collection of information and submit comments by emailing [OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov). All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Description:* The TRLECE project is proposing a new information collection to deepen the field's understanding of the CCEE licensing system. Information will be collected from child care licensing administrators, front-line child care licensing staff, and child care providers. This information collection will include three national surveys:

1. A one-time nationwide survey of the child care licensing administrator in each state, territory, and the District of Columbia (N=56) regarding the licensing system, as well as administrators' characteristics, experiences, and perceptions of the licensing system. Child care licensing administrators

oversee critical systems that regulate child care settings for young children.

2. A one-time nationwide survey of front-line child care licensing staff from each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia about their characteristics, experiences, responsibilities, and perceptions of the CCEE licensing system. By front-line child care licensing staff we mean individuals who routinely conduct licensing inspections of child care programs. They may have other responsibilities as well, as long as one of their jobs is to routinely conduct inspections.

3. A one-time nationwide survey of licensed child care providers from each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia about their perceptions of and experiences with the CCEE licensing system. For the purposes of this study, licensed providers are defined as program owners/directors who oversee the day-to-day operations in a licensed center, as well as owners/operators of licensed family child care (FCC) programs (including group and family child care homes).

*Respondents:* We will invite all child care licensing administrators in each state/territory and the District of Columbia, and all front-line child care licensing staff in each state and the District of Columbia to participate in a comprehensive one-time web-based or telephone survey. For the survey of providers, the goal for the final sample will be a nationally representative sample of 2,000 licensed providers from all 50 states and the District of Columbia, (1,000 randomly selected licensed child care centers and 1,000 randomly selected family child care homes).