

786–8680. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

2. Type of Information Collection

Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** Advance Beneficiary Notice of Noncoverage (ABN); **Form Number:** CMS–R–131 (OMB#: 0938–0566); **Use:** Under section 1879 of the Social Security Act, a physician, provider, practitioner, or supplier of items or services participating in the Medicare program, or taking a claim on assignment, may bill a Medicare beneficiary for items or services usually covered under Medicare, but denied in an individual case under one of the several statutory exclusions, if they inform the beneficiary, prior to furnishing the service, that Medicare is likely to deny payment. Sections 42 CFR 411.404(b) and (c), and 411.408(d)(2) and (f), require written notice be provided to inform beneficiaries in advance of potential liability for payment. **Frequency:** Once; **Affected Public:** Reporting: Weekly, Monthly, Yearly, Biennially and Occasionally; **Number of Respondents:** 1,326,282; **Total Annual Responses:** 43,725,850; **Total Annual Hours:** 5,099,309. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Evelyn Blaemire at 410–786–1803. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

3. Type of Information Collection

Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** Medicaid Payment for Prescription Drugs—Physicians and Hospital Outpatient Departments Collecting and Submitting Drug Identifying Information to State Medicaid Programs; **Use:** Section 6002 of the Deficit Reduction Act (DRA) of 2005 added provisions under section 1927 of the Social Security Act to require physicians in their offices and hospital outpatient settings or other entities (e.g., non-profit facilities) to collect and submit the drug National Drug Code (NDC) numbers on Medicaid claims to their State in order for Federal Financial Participation to be available for these drugs. **Form Number:** CMS–10215 (OMB#: 0938–1026); **Frequency:** Weekly; **Affected Public:** Private Sector: Business or other for-profits and Not-for-profit institutions; **Number of Respondents:** 20,000; **Total Annual Responses:** 3,910,000; **Total Annual Hours:** 15,836. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Bernadette Leeds at 410–786–9463. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

4. Type of Information Collection

Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** Medicare/

Medicaid Psychiatric Hospital Survey Data; **Use:** The CMS–724 form is used to collect data that is not collected elsewhere and assists CMS in program planning and evaluation and in maintaining an accurate database on providers participating in the psychiatric hospital program. **Form Number:** CMS–724 (OMB#: 0938–0378); **Frequency:** Annually; **Affected Public:** Private Sector: Business or other for-profits and Not-for-profit institutions; **Number of Respondents:** 500; **Total Annual Responses:** 150; **Total Annual Hours:** 75. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Kelley Leonette at 410–786–6664. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

5. Type of Information Collection

Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** PACE State Plan Amendment Pre-print; **Use:** The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 created section 1934 of the Social Security Act that established the Program for the All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). The legislation established the PACE program as a Medicaid State plan option serving the frail and elderly in the home and community. Pursuant to the notice given in 64 FR 66271 (November 24, 1999), if a State elects to offer PACE as an optional Medicaid benefit, it must complete a State Plan Amendment described as Enclosures #3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. The information collected is used by CMS to affirm that the State elects to offer PACE an optional State plan service and the specifications of eligibility, payment and enrollment for the program. **Form Number:** CMS–10227 (OMB#: 0938–1027); **Frequency:** Once; **Affected Public:** State, Local, or Tribal Governments; **Number of Respondents:** 36; **Total Annual Responses:** 12; **Total Annual Hours:** 240. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Angela Taube at 410–786–2638. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

6. Type of Information Collection

Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** Medicaid State Program Integrity Assessment (SPIA); **Use:** Under the provisions of the Deficit Reduction Act (DRA) of 2005, the Congress directed CMS to establish the Medicaid Integrity Program (MIP), CMS' first national strategy to combat Medicaid fraud, waste, and abuse. CMS has two broad responsibilities under the MIP: (1) Reviewing the actions of individuals or entities providing services or furnishing items under Medicaid; conducting audits of claims submitted for payment; identifying overpayments; and educating providers and others on payment integrity and

quality of care; and (2) Providing effective support and assistance to States to combat Medicaid fraud, waste, and abuse.

In order to fulfill the second of these requirements, CMS developed SPIA. CMS uses SPIA to collect data on State Medicaid program integrity activities, develop reports for each State based on these data, determine areas to provide States with technical support and assistance, and develop measures to assess States' performance. **Form Number:** CMS–10244 (OMB#: 0938–1033); **Frequency:** Annually; **Affected Public:** State, Local, or Tribal Governments; **Number of Respondents:** 56; **Total Annual Responses:** 56; **Total Annual Hours:** 1,400. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Mary Jo Cook at 410–786–3231. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access CMS Web Site address at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786–1326.

To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be received by the OMB desk officer at the address below, no later than 5 p.m. on December 20, 2010. OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: CMS Desk Officer. **Fax Number:** (202) 395–6974. **E-mail:** OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: November 12, 2010.

Michelle Shortt,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[Document Identifier: CMS–10334 and CMS–10339]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. Type of Information Collection
Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Enrollment Application for Coverage in the Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan; *Use:* The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is requesting an extension of this information collection request by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This information collection request originally received OMB approval on 6/29/2010. HHS is now seeking a three-year approval for this collection. On March 23, 2010, the President signed into law H.R. 3590, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Affordable Care Act), Public Law 111–148. Section 1101 of the law establishes a “temporary high risk health insurance pool program” (which has been named the Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan, or PCIP) to provide health insurance coverage to currently uninsured individuals with pre-existing conditions.

In order for individuals to be considered for eligibility into the federally-run PCIP program, they must submit a completed enrollment application to HHS. The enrollment application is used by HHS or its designee to obtain information from potentially eligible individuals applying for coverage in the PCIP program. PCIP is also referred to as the temporary qualified high risk insurance pool program, as it is called in the Affordable Care Act, but we have adopted the term PCIP to better describe the program and avoid confusion with the existing state high risk pool programs. The data collection will be used by HHS to obtain information from potential eligible individuals applying for coverage in the PCIP. *Form Number:* CMS–10334

(OMB#: 0938–1095); *Frequency:* Once; *Affected Public:* Individuals and households; *Number of Respondents:* 100,000; *Total Annual Responses:* 100,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 92,000. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Laura Dash at 410–786–8623. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

2. Type of Information Collection
Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Pre-Existing Health Insurance Plan and Supporting Regulations; *Use:* The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is requesting an extension of this information collection request by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This information collection request originally received OMB approval on 7/26/2010. HHS is now seeking a three-year approval for this collection. On March 23, 2010, the President signed into law H.R. 3590, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Affordable Care Act), Public Law 111–148. Section 1101 of the law establishes a “temporary high risk health insurance pool program” (which has been named the Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan, or PCIP) to provide health insurance coverage to currently uninsured individuals with pre-existing conditions. The law authorizes HHS to carry out the program directly or through contracts with states or private, non-profit entities.

We are requesting an extension for this package because this information is needed to assure that PCIP programs are established timely and effectively. This request is being made based on regulations that have been issued and contracts which have been executed by HHS with States or an entity on their behalf participating in the PCIP program. PCIP is also referred to as the temporary qualified high risk insurance pool program, as it is called in the Affordable Care Act, but we have adopted the term PCIP to better describe the program and avoid confusion with the existing state high risk pool programs. *Form Number:* CMS–10339 (OMB#: 0938–1100); *Frequency:* Reporting—On occasion; *Affected Public:* State governments; *Number of Respondents:* 51; *Total Annual Responses:* 2,652; *Total Annual Hours:* 36,924. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Laura Dash at 410–786–8623. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access CMS' Web Site at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Paperwork>

Reduction Act of 1995, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786–1326.

In commenting on the proposed information collections please reference the document identifier or OMB control number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be submitted in one of the following ways by *January 18, 2011*:

1. Electronically. You may submit 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) 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.

Dated: November 16, 2010.

Martique Jones,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

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Emergency Clearance: Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

AGENCY: Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment.

Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions;