

these forms to the Central Office for compilation of error rate charts for projected quarterly withholdings and/or fiscal disallowances. The collection of information is also necessary to implement provisions from the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 (CHIPRA) (Pub. L. 111-3) with regard to the Medicaid Eligibility Quality Control (MEQC) and Payment Error Rate Measurement (PERM) programs. *Form Number:* CMS-301 (OMB#: 0938-0246); *Frequency:* Reporting and Recordkeeping—Yearly; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 51; *Total Annual Responses:* 102; *Total Annual Hours:* 16,446. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Jessica Woodard 410-786-9249. For all other issues call 410-786-1326.)

3. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Reinstatement without change of a previously approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* SSO Report of State Buy-in Problem and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 407.40; *Use:* Under the State Buy-In program, States enroll certain groups of needy people under the Part B Supplementary Medical Insurance (SMI) Program and pay their premiums. The purpose of the "buy-in" is to allow the States to provide SMI protection to certain groups of needy individuals as part of its total assistance plan. Generally, States "buy-in" for individuals who are categorically needy under Medicaid and meet the eligibility requirements for Medicare Part B. States can also include in their buy-in agreement those eligible for medical assistance only. The CMS-1957 is used in the resolution of beneficiary complaints regarding State buy-in. This form facilitates the coordination of efforts between the SSO, State Medicaid Agencies, and CMS in the resolution of a beneficiary's State buy-in problem.; *Form Number:* CMS-1957 (OMB#: 0938-0035); *Frequency:* Reporting—On occasion; *Affected Public:* Federal government, Individuals or Households, and State, Local, and Tribal governments; *Number of Respondents:* 5,600; *Total Annual Responses:* 5,600; *Total Annual Hours:* 1,816. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Lucia Diaz-Robinson 410-786-0598. For all other issues call 410-786-1326.)

4. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* State Medicaid Eligibility Quality Control Sampling Plan and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 431.800-431.865; *Use:* The

Medicaid Eligibility Quality Control (MEQC) System is operated by the State Title XIX agency to monitor and improve the administration of its Medicaid system. The MEQC system is based on monthly State reviews of Medicaid cases by States performing the traditional sampling process identified through statistically reliable statewide samples of cases selected from the eligibility files. These reviews are conducted to determine whether or not the sampled cases meet applicable State Title XIX eligibility requirements. The reviews are also used to assess beneficiary liability, if any, and to determine the amounts paid to provide Medicaid services for these cases.; *Form Number:* CMS-317 (OMB#: 0938-0146); *Frequency:* Recordkeeping and Reporting—Semi-annually; *Affected Public:* State, Local or Tribal governments; *Number of Respondents:* 10; *Total Annual Responses:* 20; *Total Annual Hours:* 480. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Jessica Woodard 410-786-9249. 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 November 30, 2009. OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: CMS Desk Officer, Fax Number: (202) 395-6974, E-mail: OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 concerning opportunity for public comment on proposed collections of information, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the information collection plans, call the SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer on (240) 276-1243.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collections of information are 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) ways to enhance 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.

Proposed Project: Pretesting of Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment and Mental Health Services Communication Messages—(OMB No. 0930-0196)—Extension

As the Federal agency responsible for developing and disseminating authoritative knowledge about substance abuse prevention, addiction treatment, and mental health services and for mobilizing consumer support and increasing public understanding to overcome the stigma attached to addiction and mental illness, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is responsible for development and dissemination of a wide range of education and information materials for both the general public and the professional communities. This submission is for generic approval and will provide for formative and qualitative evaluation activities to (1) assess audience knowledge, attitudes, behavior and other characteristics for the planning and development of messages, communication strategies and

public information programs; and (2) test these messages, strategies and program components in developmental form to assess audience comprehension,

reactions and perceptions. Information obtained from testing can then be used to improve materials and strategies while revisions are still affordable and

possible. The annual burden associated with these activities is summarized below.

Activity	Number of respondents	Responses/ respondent	Hours per response	Total hours
Individual In-depth Interviews:				
General Public	400	1	.75	300
Service Providers	200	1	.75	150
Focus Group Interviews:				
General Public	3,000	1	1.5	4,500
Service Providers	1,500	1	1.5	2,250
Telephone Interviews:				
General Public	335	1	.08	27
Service Providers	165	1	.08	13
Self-Administered Questionnaires:				
General Public	2,680	1	.25	670
Service Providers	1,320	1	.25	330
Gatekeeper Reviews:				
General Public	1,200	1	.50	600
Service Providers	900	1	.50	450
Total	11,700	9,290

Send comments to Summer King, SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 7-1044, One Choke Cherry Road, Rockville, MD 20857 and e-mail her a copy at summer.king@samhsa.hhs.gov. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: October 19, 2009.

Elaine Parry,

Director, Office of Program Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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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:** Eligibility Error Rate Measurement in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program; **Use:** The collection of information is necessary for CMS to produce national error rates for Medicaid and CHIP as required by Public Law 107-300, the IPIA of 2002. The collection of information is also necessary to implement provisions from the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 (CHIPRA) (Pub. L. 111-3) with regard to the Medicaid Eligibility Quality Control (MEQC) and Payment Error Rate Measurement (PERM) programs. The information collected from the States selected for review will be used by CMS to ensure States use a statistically sound sampling methodology, to ensure the States complete reviews on all cases sampled, and will be used by the Federal contractor to calculate State and national Medicaid and CHIP eligibility error rates. **Form Number:** CMS-10184 (OMB#: 0938-1012); **Frequency:** Reporting—Occasionally; **Affected Public:** State, Local, Tribal Governments; **Number of Respondents:** 34; **Total Annual Responses:** 53; **Total Annual Hours:** 942,764. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Jessica Woodard at 410-786-

9249. 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/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.

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 *December 29, 2009*:

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.