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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' Web site address at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995>.

2. Email your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov.

3. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786–1326.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786–1326

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–10515 Payment Collections Operations Contingency Plan
CMS–R–48 Hospital Conditions of Participation and Supporting Regulations

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (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 Collections

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Payment Collection Operations Contingency Plan; *Use:* Under sections 1401, 1411, and 1412 of the Affordable Care Act and 45 CFR part 155 subpart D, an Exchange makes an advance determination of tax credit eligibility for individuals who

enroll in Qualified Health Plan (QHP) coverage through the Exchange and seek financial assistance. Using information available at the time of enrollment, the Exchange determines whether the individual meets the income and other requirements for advance payments and the amount of the advance payments that can be used to pay premiums. Advance payments are made periodically under section 1412 of the Affordable Care Act to the issuer of the QHP in which the individual enrolls. Section 1402 of the Affordable Care Act provides for the reduction of cost sharing for certain individuals enrolled in a QHP through an Exchange, and section 1412 of the Affordable Care Act provides for the advance payment of these reductions to issuers. The statute directs issuers to reduce cost sharing for essential health benefits for individuals with household incomes between 100 and 400 percent of the Federal poverty level (FPL) who are enrolled in a silver level QHP through an individual market Exchange and are eligible for advance payments of the premium tax credit. Health insurance issuers will manually enter enrollment and payment data into a Microsoft Excel-based spreadsheet, and submit the information to HHS. The data collection will be used by HHS to make payments or collect charges from issuers under the following programs: advance payments of the premium tax credit, advanced cost-sharing reductions, and Marketplace user fees. HHS will use the information collected to make payments and collect charges in January 2014 and for a number of months thereafter, as may be required based on HHS' operational progress. *Form Number:* CMS–10515 (OCN: 0938–1217); *Frequency:* Monthly; *Affected Public:* Private sector (business or other for-profits and not-for-profit institutions); *Number of Respondents:* 575; *Total Annual Responses:* 7,475; *Total Annual Hours:* 51,175. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Jaya Ghildiyal at 301–492–5149.)

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Hospital Conditions of Participation and Supporting Regulations; *Use:* The information collection requirements described in this information collection request are needed to implement the Medicare and Medicaid conditions of participation (CoP) for 4,890 accredited and non-accredited hospitals and an additional 101 critical access hospitals (CAHs) that have distinct part psychiatric or rehabilitation units (DPUs). CAHs that have DPUs must

comply with all of the hospital CoPs on these units. Thus, this package reflects the paperwork burden for a total of 4,991 (that is, 4,890 hospitals and 101 CAHs which include 81 CAHs that have psychiatric DPUs and 20 CAHs that have rehabilitation DPUs). The information collection requirements for the remaining 1,183 CAHs have been reported in a separate package under CMS–10239.

The CoPs and accompanying requirements specified in the supporting regulations are used by our surveyors as a basis for determining whether a hospital qualifies for a provider agreement under Medicare and Medicaid. CMS and the health care industry believe that the availability to the facility of the type of records and general content of records, which this regulation specifies, is standard medical practice and is necessary in order to ensure the well-being and safety of patients and professional treatment accountability. *Form Number:* CMS–R–48 (OCN: 0938–0328); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Private sector (business or other for-profits); *Number of Respondents:* 4,991; *Total Annual Responses:* 1,342,424; *Total Annual Hours:* 18,84,0617. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Scott Cooper at 410–786–9465.)

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Martique Jones,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[Document Identifiers: CMS–10418, CMS–10507, and CMS–10157]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid 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 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.

DATES: Comments on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by *March 5, 2014*:

ADDRESSES: When commenting on the proposed information collections, please reference the document identifier or OMB control number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be received by the OMB desk officer via one of the following transmissions: OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: CMS Desk Officer, Fax Number: (202) 395-5806 *OR* Email: *OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov*.

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 the following:

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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 currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Annual MLR and Rebate Calculation Report and MLR Rebate Notices; *Use:* We will use the data collection of annual reports provided by an issuer for each state's individual, small group, and large group markets to ensure that consumers are receiving value for their premium dollar by calculating each issuer's medical loss ratio (MLR) and any rebate payments due for the respective MLR reporting year, as well as verifying the provision of any rebates and the provisions of the rebate notices. The notices will be used to ensure that consumers are receiving information about the rebate they will be receiving, how their issuer is using health care premium dollars and about the value they are receiving for their premium dollar. The notices will help provide greater transparency to consumers. We will use the recordkeeping requirements to determine issuers' compliance with the MLR requirements, including compliance with how issuers' experience is to be reported, their MLR and any rebates owing are to be calculated, distribution of rebates and provisions of rebate notices. Additionally, each issuer is required to maintain for a period of seven years all documents, records and other evidence that support the data included in each issuer's annual report to the Secretary. The 60-day **Federal Register** notice that published on November 22, 2013 (78 FR 70059) pertained to the 2013 MLR Annual Reporting Form and Instructions, and closed on January 21, 2014. We received a total of 2 public comments on 12 specific issues regarding the notice of the revised MLR PRA package. Most of the comments addressed clarifying the instructions, updates for recent guidance issuance, treatment of Student Health Plans, treatment of Affordable Care Act fees, adjusted MLR standard experience aggregation, annual Mini-med multipliers for credibility determination, reporting for both QIA and non-claims costs and reporting requirements for businesses in run-off. We considered all of the proposed

suggestions and have revised the 2013 MLR Annual Reporting Form and Instructions. *Form Number:* CMS-10418 (OCN: 0938-1164); *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Private sector (business or other for-profits and not-for-profit institutions); *Number of Respondents:* 522; *Total Annual Responses:* 3,394; *Total Annual Hours:* 294,911. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Julie McCune at 301-492-4196.)

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New collection (Request for a new OMB control number); *Title of Information Collection:* State-based Marketplace Annual Reporting Tool (SMART); *Use:* The annual report is the primary vehicle to insure comprehensive compliance with all reporting requirements contained in the Affordable Care Act. It is specifically called for in section 1313(a)(1) of the Act which requires that an SBM keep an accurate accounting of all activities, receipts, and expenditures, and to submit a report annually to the Secretary concerning such accounting. We will use the information collected from states to assist in determining if a state is maintaining a compliant operational Exchange. It will also provide a mechanism to collect innovative approaches to meeting challenges encountered by the SBMs during the preceding year as well as providing information to us regarding potential changes in priorities and approaches for the upcoming year. *Form Number:* CMS-10507 (OCN: 0938-NEW); *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 19; *Total Annual Responses:* 19; *Total Annual Hours:* 1,482. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Shelley Bain at 301-492-4453.)

3. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Reinstatement of a previously approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* HIPAA Eligibility Transaction System (HETS) Trading Partner Agreement (TPA); *Use:* The HETS is intended to allow the release of eligibility data to Medicare providers, suppliers or their authorized billing agents for the purposes of preparing accurate Medicare claims, determining beneficiary liability or determining eligibility for specific services. Such information may not be disclosed to anyone other than providers, suppliers or a beneficiary for whom a claim has been filed. *Form Number:* CMS-10157 (OCN: 0938-0960); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Private sector (business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions); *Number of Respondents:* 1,000; *Total*

Annual Responses: 1,000; Total Annual Hours: 125. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Ada Sanchez at 410–786–9466.)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS–9082–N]

Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances—

October through December 2013

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: This quarterly notice lists CMS manual instructions, substantive

and interpretive regulations, and other **Federal Register** notices that were published from October through December 2013, relating to the Medicare and Medicaid programs and other programs administered by CMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: It is possible that an interested party may need specific information and not be able to determine from the listed information whether the issuance or regulation would fulfill that need. Consequently, we are providing contact persons to answer general questions concerning each of the addenda published in this notice.

| Addenda | Contact | Phone number |
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| I CMS Manual Instructions | Ismael Torres | (410) 786–1864 |
| II Regulation Documents Published in the FEDERAL REGISTER | Terri Plumb | (410) 786–4481 |
| III CMS Rulings | Tiffany Lafferty | (410) 786–7548 |
| IV Medicare National Coverage Determinations | Wanda Belle | (410) 786–7491 |
| V FDA-Approved Category B IDEs | John Manlove | (410) 786–6877 |
| VI Collections of Information | Mitch Bryman | (410) 786–5258 |
| VII Medicare –Approved Carotid Stent Facilities | Lori Ashby | (410) 786–6322 |
| VIII American College of Cardiology-National Cardiovascular Data Registry Sites | Marie Casey, BSN, MPH. | (410) 786–7861 |
| IX Medicare’s Active Coverage-Related Guidance Documents | Lori Ashby | (410) 786–6322 |
| X One-time Notices Regarding National Coverage Provisions | Lori Ashby | (410) 786–6322 |
| XI National Oncologic Positron Emission Tomography Registry Sites | Stuart Caplan, RN, MAS. | (410) 786–8564 |
| XII Medicare-Approved Ventricular Assist Device (Destination Therapy) Facilities | Marie Casey, BSN, MPH. | (410) 786–7861 |
| XIII Medicare-Approved Lung Volume Reduction Surgery Facilities | Marie Casey, BSN, MPH. | (410) 786–7861 |
| XIV Medicare-Approved Bariatric Surgery Facilities | Kate Tillman, RN, MAS | (410) 786–9252 |
| XV Fluorodeoxyglucose Positron Emission Tomography for Dementia Trials | Stuart Caplan, RN, MAS. | (410) 786–8564 |
| All Other Information | Annette Brewer | (410) 786–6580 |

I. Background

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is responsible for administering the Medicare and Medicaid programs and coordination and oversight of private health insurance. Administration and oversight of these programs involves the following: (1) Furnishing information to Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, health care providers, and the public; and (2) maintaining effective communications with CMS regional offices, state governments, state Medicaid agencies, state survey agencies, various providers of health care, all Medicare contractors that process claims and pay bills, National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC), health insurers, and other stakeholders. To implement the various statutes on which the programs are based, we issue regulations under the authority granted to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services under sections 1102, 1871,

1902, and related provisions of the Social Security Act (the Act) and Public Health Service Act. We also issue various manuals, memoranda, and statements necessary to administer and oversee the programs efficiently.

Section 1871(c) of the Act requires that we publish a list of all Medicare manual instructions, interpretive rules, statements of policy, and guidelines of general applicability not issued as regulations at least every 3 months in the **Federal Register**.

II. Revised Format for the Quarterly Issuance Notices

While we are publishing the quarterly notice required by section 1871(c) of the Act, we will no longer republish duplicative information that is available to the public elsewhere. We believe this approach is in alignment with CMS’ commitment to the general principles of the President’s Executive Order 13563 released January 2011 entitled “Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review,” which promotes modifying

and streamlining an agency’s regulatory program to be more effective in achieving regulatory objectives. Section 6 of Executive Order 13563 requires agencies to identify regulations that may be “outmoded, ineffective, insufficient, or excessively burdensome, and to modify, streamline, expand or repeal them in accordance with what has been learned.” This approach is also in alignment with the President’s Open Government and Transparency Initiative that establishes a system of transparency, public participation, and collaboration.

Therefore, this quarterly notice provides only the specific updates that have occurred in the 3-month period along with a hyperlink to the full listing that is available on the CMS Web site or the appropriate data registries that are used as our resources. This information is the most current up-to-date information and will be available earlier than we publish our quarterly notice. We believe the Web site list provides more timely access for beneficiaries,