

Medicare Part C and Part D benefits are required to report data to us on a variety of measures. For the data to be useful for monitoring and performance measurement, the data must be reliable, valid, complete, and comparable among sponsoring organizations. To meet this goal, we have developed reporting standards and data validation specifications with respect to the Part C and Part D reporting requirements. These standards provide a review process for Medicare Advantage Organizations, Cost Plans, and Part D sponsors to use to conduct data validation checks on their reported Part C and Part D data.

The FDCF is revised for the 2017 and 2018 DV collection periods by changing the scoring of six standards from a binary scale to a five-point Likert-type scale. This change is expected to improve the precision of the data validation scores by increasing overall variation in total scores among the MAOs and PDPs. The revision is not expected to alter resource requirements, since the assessment by DV contractors in scoring standards will continue to be based on the percentage of records that meet the standards. *Form Number:* CMS-10305 (OMB control number: 0938-1115); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Private sector—Business or other for-profits; *Number of Respondents:* 639; *Total Annual Responses:* 639; *Total Annual Hours:* 209,271. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Terry Lied at 410-786-8973.)

3. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Evaluation of the CMS Quality Improvement Organizations: Reducing Healthcare-Acquired Conditions in Nursing Homes; *Use:* As mandated by Sections 1152–1154 of the Social Security Act, CMS directs the QIO program, one of the largest federal programs dedicated to improving health quality for Medicare beneficiaries. In the 11th SOW, CMS restructured the QIO program to funded Quality Innovation Networks (QIN)–QIOs, Beneficiary and Family-Centered Care (BFCC) organizations, National Coordinating Centers (NCCs), Program Collaboration Centers (PCCs), and the Strategic Innovation Engine (SIE). In the current SOW, 14 QIN–QIOs coordinate the work of 53 QIOs nationwide including all 50 states and other U.S. territories.

CMS evaluates the quality and effectiveness of the QIO program as authorized in Part B of Title XI of the Social Security Act. CMS created the Independent Evaluation Center (IEC) to provide CMS and its stakeholders with

an independent and objective program evaluation of the 11th SOW. Evaluation activities will focus on analyzing how well the QIO program is achieving the three aims of better care, better health, and lower cost as well as the effectiveness of the new QIO program structure. One of the QIN–QIOs' tasks to achieve these three aims is to support participating nursing homes in their efforts to improve quality of care and health outcomes among residents. According to the 2013 CMS Nursing Home Data Compendium, more than 15,000 nursing homes participated in Medicare and Medicaid programs with more than 1.4 million beneficiaries resided in U.S. nursing homes. These residents and their families rely on nursing homes to provide reliable, safe, high quality care. However, cognitive and functional impairments, pain, incontinence, antipsychotic drug use, and healthcare associated conditions (HAC), such as pressure ulcers and falls, remain areas of concern.

This information collection is to provide data to assess QIN–QIOs efforts aimed at addressing these HACs in nursing homes. QIN–QIOs are responsible for recruiting nursing homes to participate in the program. We will conduct an annual survey of administrators of nursing homes participating in the QIN–QIO program (intervention group) and administrators at nursing homes that are not participating in the QIN–QIO program (comparison group). Our proposed survey assesses progress towards the goals of the QIN–QIO SOW, including activities and strategies to increase mobility among residents, reduce infections, reduce use of inappropriate antipsychotic medication among long-term stay residents.

We plan to conduct qualitative interviews with nursing home administrators. This interview will supplement the Nursing Home Survey and provide more in-depth contextual information about the QIN–QIO program implementation within at nursing homes, including: (i) Their experience with, and perceived success of QIN–QIO collaboratives; (ii) their satisfaction with the QIN–QIO Collaborative and QIO support; (iii) perceived value and impact of QIO program; and (iv) drivers and barriers to QIN–QIO involvement and success.

Information from QIO leadership and/or state/territory task leads will be collected by interviews and focus groups. Interviews with Nursing Home Task leaders at the QIN and QIO will be conducted in-person during site visits and/or over the phone. We will conduct focus groups with QIO-level Directors

during the annual CMS Quality conference. The purpose of the interviews and focus groups is to examine: (i) QIO processes for recruiting nursing homes, peer coaches, and beneficiaries to participate in the program; (ii) strengths and challenges of QIN–QIO activities related to nursing homes; (iii) partnership and coordination with other QIN–QIO tasks; and (iv) overall lessons learned. We will also conduct qualitative interviews with nursing home peer coaches. *Form Number:* CMS-10622 (OMB control number: 0938-NEW); *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profits and Not-for Profits institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 856; *Total Annual Responses:* 856; *Total Annual Hours:* 242. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Robert Kambic at 410-786-1515.)

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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

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 a 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 *August 1, 2016*.

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 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: 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:* Implementation

of the Medicare Prescription Drug Plan (PDP) and Medicare Advantage (MA) Plan Disenrollment Reasons Survey; *Use:* This data collection complements the satisfaction data collected through the Medicare Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems survey by providing dissatisfaction data in the form of reasons for disenrollment from a Prescription Drug Plan. The data collected in this survey can be used to improve the operation of Medicare Advantage (MA) (both MA and MA-PD) contracts and standalone prescription drug plans (PDPs) through the identification of beneficiary disenrollment reasons. Plans can use the information to guide quality improvement efforts. The data can also be used by beneficiaries who need to choose among the different MA and PDP options. To the extent that these data identify areas for improvement at the contract level they can be used for contract oversight. *Form Number:* CMS-10316 (OMB control number: 0938-1113); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Individuals or households; *Number of Respondents:* 56,972; *Total Annual Responses:* 56,972; *Total Annual Hours:* 15,032. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Beth Simon at 415-744-3780.)

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Outcome and Assessment Information Set (OASIS) OASIS-C2/ICD-10; *Use:* Home health agencies (HHAs) are required to collect the outcome and assessment information data set (OASIS) to participate in the Medicare program. The OASIS item set has been revised and is now referred to as OASIS-C2. It is scheduled for implementation on January 1, 2017. The OASIS C2 is being modified to include changes pursuant to the Improving Medicare Post-Acute Care Transformation Act of 2014 (the IMPACT Act), and formatting changes throughout the document. *Form Number:* CMS-10545 (OMB control number: 0938-1279); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* Private Sector (Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions); *Number of Respondents:* 12,198; *Total Annual Responses:* 17,900,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 15,812,511. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Michelle Brazil at 410-786-1648).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Community Living

Administration on Aging

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; State Annual Long-Term Care Ombudsman Report Amended Data Collection

AGENCY: Administration for Community Living, Administration on Aging, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Administration on Community Living, Administration on Aging (ACL/AoA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information collection requirements relating to conflict of interest reporting per the Code of Federal Regulations and Older Americans Act Title VII.

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by August 29, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to: louise.ryan@acl.hhs.gov.

Submit written comments on the collection of information to: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: Administration for Community Living 701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1600 M/S RX-33, Seattle, WA 98104, Attention: Louise Ryan.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Louise Ryan by telephone: (206) 615-2514 or by email: louise.ryan@acl.hhs.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 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. "Collection of information" is defined