

Delete item (2) of the functional statement for the *CDC Connects (CAU12)*, *Office of the Director (CAU1)*, *Office of Enterprise Communication (CAU)*, *Office of the Director (CA)*, and insert the following: (2) plans and develops articles about employees and their work.

Delete item (6) of the functional statement for the *Document Development Branch (CCED)*, *Education and Information Division (CCE)*, *National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (CC)*, and renumber the remaining items accordingly.

Dated: July 21, 2006.

William H. Gimson,

Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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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: Centers 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; (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.

We are, however, requesting an emergency review of the information collection referenced below. In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we have submitted to the Office of Management

and Budget (OMB) the following requirements for emergency review. We are requesting an emergency review because the collection of this information is needed before the expiration of the normal time limits under OMB's regulations at 5 CFR part 1320(a)(2)(ii). This is necessary to ensure compliance with an initiative of the Administration. We cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures because of an unanticipated event, as stated in 5 CFR 1320.13(a)(2)(iii).

Approval of this notice is essential in order to comply with Section 302(a)(1) of the MMA that requires the Secretary to establish and implement quality standards for suppliers of certain items to be applied by recognized independent accreditation organizations. Suppliers of Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) must comply with the quality standards (and thus be accredited) to furnish any item for which payment is made under Medicare Part B. The DMEPOS providers and suppliers must be accredited and obtain a National Supplier Clearinghouse billing number in order to participate in the Competitive Acquisition Program for DMEPOS. The competitive bidding process final rule will be published October 1, 2006. However, there are over 90,000 providers and suppliers that need to be accredited before the implementation of this program by 2009, regardless of whether they submit bids or do not submit bids. Emergency clearance is required, given the complexity of this new requirement and the fact that the industry cannot proceed until CMS publishes both the quality standards along with the approved requirements for independent accreditation organizations. Otherwise, the program is in jeopardy of not meeting the statutory deadline of full implementation by 2009.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Supplier Accreditation Proposals from Independent Accrediting Bodies; *Use:* Under Section 302 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA), the DMEPOS providers and suppliers must be accredited and obtain a National Supplier Clearinghouse billing number in order to competitively bid. Section 302(a)(1) of the MMA added section 1834(a)(20) to the Act, which requires the Secretary to establish and implement quality standards for

suppliers of certain items, including consumer service standards, to be applied by recognized independent accreditation organizations. Suppliers of DMEPOS must comply with the quality standards in order to furnish any item for which payment is made under Part B, and to receive and retain a provider or supplier billing number used to submit claims for reimbursement for any such item for which payment may be made under Medicare. Section 1834(a)(20)(B) of the Act requires the Secretary, notwithstanding section 1865(b) of the Act, to designate and approve one or more independent accreditation organizations to apply the quality standards to suppliers of DMEPOS and other items. Independent accreditation organizations must furnish the specified information to CMS to allow themselves the opportunity to submit proposals to implement and operate the DMEPOS accreditation program. The information supplied by the Independent Accreditation Organizations will be used to evaluate the accreditation organization's ability to meet CMS' regulations. *Form Number:* CMS-10206 (OMB#: 0938-NEW); *Frequency:* Reporting—One-time; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 10; *Total Annual Responses:* 10; *Total Annual Hours:* 200.

CMS is requesting OMB review and approval of this collection by August 9, 2006, with a 180-day approval period. Written comments and recommendations will be considered from the public if received by the individuals designated below by August 7, 2006.

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/regulations/prs> 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.

Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden or any other aspect of these collections of information requirements. However, as noted above, comments on these information collection and recordkeeping requirements must be mailed and/or faxed to the designees referenced below by August 7, 2006:

CMS, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Division of Regulations Development—B, Attn: William N. Parham, III, Room C4-26—

05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850; and, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Carolyn Lovett, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Fax Number: (202) 395-6974.

Dated: July 26, 2006.

Michelle Shortt,

Director, Regulations Development Group, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Comment Request

In compliance with the requirement for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects (section 3506(c)(2)(A) of Title 44, United States Code, as amended by the

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) publishes periodic summaries of proposed projects being developed for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and draft instruments, call the HRSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443-1129.

Comments are invited 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) 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: Grants for Hospital Construction and Modernization—Federal Right of Recovery and Waiver of Recovery (42 CFR Part 124, Subpart H) (OMB No. 0915-0099 Extension)

The regulation known as "Federal Right of Recovery and Waiver of Recovery," provides a means for the Federal Government to recover grant funds and a method of calculating interest when a grant-assisted facility under Titles VI and XVI of the Public Health Service Act is sold or leased, or there is a change in use of the facility. It also allows for a waiver of the right of recovery under certain circumstances. Facilities are required to provide written notice to the Federal Government when such a change occurs; and to provide copies of sales contracts, lease agreements, estimates of current assets and liabilities, value of equipment, expected value of land on the new owner's books and remaining depreciation for all fixed assets involved in the transactions, and other information and documents pertinent to the change of status.

Estimates of annualized burden are as follows:

Form	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Total responses	Hours per response	Total burden hours
Reporting requirements 124,704(b) and 707	10	1	10	1.25	12.5

Send comments to Susan G. Queen, Ph.D., HRSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 10-33, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: July 27, 2006.

Caroline Lewis,

Acting Associate Administrator for Administration and Financial Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

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Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Advisory Committee (CFIVSAC) will meet to discuss various issues relating to vessel

safety in the commercial fishing industry. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The CFIVSAC will meet on September 12 thru 14, 2006, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The meeting may close early if all business has been completed. Requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before August 11, 2006. Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard on or before September 1, 2006. Requests to have a copy of any material distributed to each member of the committee should reach the Coast Guard on or before August 25, 2006.

ADDRESSES: The CFIVSAC will meet in conference room 2230-32 of the U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. The World Wide Web site can be found at: <http://www.dot.gov/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lieutenant Roberto Trevino, by telephone at 202-372-1248, fax 202-372-1917, or e-mail: RTrevino@comdt.uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Information about the CFIVSAC, up to date meeting information, and past meeting minutes are available at the following World Wide Web site: <http://www.FishSafe.info>.

The CFIVSAC will meet to discuss various issues relating to vessel safety in the commercial fishing industry. The meeting is open to the public. Notice of the meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Agenda of Meeting

Items to be discussed and business to be conducted include:

- (1) Approval of July 2005 meeting minutes.
- (2) Brief by the Executive Secretary on membership status and term limits.
- (3) Brief by the Executive Secretary on the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2006, Legislative Change Proposals, and Aleutian Trade Act Notice to Proposed Rulemaking update.
- (4) Discussion of member responsibilities and expected support from the Coast Guard.
- (5) Discussion on Risk Identification procedures, Prevention Through People