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To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 60 days of this notice directly to the HCFA Paperwork Clearance Officer designated at the following address: HCFA, Office of Information Services, Information Technology Investment Management Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards, Attention: Julie Brown, Room N2-14-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

Dated: September 9, 1999.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), 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.

Type of Information Collection Request: Reinstatement without change of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired; **Title of Information Collection:** Medicare Uniform Institutional Provider Bill and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 424.5; **Form No.:** HCFA-1450 (OMB# 0938-0279); **Use:** This standardized form is used in the Medicare/Medicaid program to apply for reimbursement for covered services by all providers that accept Medicare/Medicaid assigned claims. It reduces cost and administrative burden associated with claims since only one reimbursement coding system is used and maintained. **Frequency:** On occasion; **Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, and State, Local or Tribal Government; **Number of Respondents:** 149,609,549; **Total Annual Responses:** 149,609,549; **Total Annual Hours:** 1,960,991.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA

document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 60 days of this notice directly to the HCFA Paperwork Clearance Officer designated at the following address:

HCFA, Office of Information Services, Information Technology Investment Management Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards, Attention: Julie Brown, Room N2-14-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), 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.

Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** Statement of Deficiencies and Plan of Correction and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 488.18, 488.26, and 488.28; **Form No.:**

HCFA-2567 (OMB# 0938-0391); *Use:* This Paperwork package provides information regarding the form used by the Medicare, Medicaid, and the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) programs to document a health care facility's compliance or noncompliance (deficiencies) with regard to the Medicare/Medicaid Conditions of Participation and Coverage, the requirements for participation for Skilled Nursing Facilities and Nursing Facilities, and for certification under CLIA. This form becomes the basis for both public disclosure of information and HCFA certification decisions (including termination or denial of participation).; *Frequency:* Biennially and Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, and State, Local or Tribal Government; *Number of Respondents:* 60,000; *Total Annual Responses:* 60,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 120,000.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB desk officer: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: September 9, 1999.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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Medicare Program; October 6, 1999 and November 15, 1999, Meetings of the Competitive Pricing Demonstration Area Advisory Committee, Kansas City, MO Metropolitan Area

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces two meetings of the Competitive Pricing Demonstration Area Advisory Committee (AAC), Kansas City, MO Metropolitan Area on October 6, 1999 and November 15, 1999.

The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (BBA) requires the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) to establish a demonstration project under which payments to Medicare+Choice organizations in designated areas are determined in accordance with a competitive pricing methodology. The BBA requires the Secretary to appoint an AAC in each designated demonstration area to advise on implementation of the project, including the marketing and pricing of the plan and other factors. The AAC meetings are open to the public.

DATES: The meetings are scheduled for October 6, 1999, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., c.d.s.t. and November 15, 1999 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., c.s.t.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Adam's Mark Hotel, 9103 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64133.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard P. Brummel, Acting Regional Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Richard Bolling Federal Building, Room 235, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106, (816) 426-5233.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Section 4011 of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (BBA) requires the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) to establish a demonstration project under which payments to Medicare+Choice organizations in designated areas are determined in accordance with a competitive pricing methodology.

Section 4012(a) of the BBA requires the Secretary to appoint a Competitive Pricing Advisory Committee (the CPAC)

to make recommendations concerning the designation of areas for inclusion in the project and appropriate research designs for implementing the project. Once an area is designated as a demonstration site, section 4012(b) of the BBA requires the Secretary to appoint an Area Advisory Committee (AAC) to advise on the marketing and pricing of the plan in the area and other factors. Thus far, the Kansas City, MO Metropolitan Area and Maricopa County, AZ have been designated as demonstration sites.

The Kansas City, MO Metropolitan Area AAC has previously met on March 26, 1999, April 8, 1999, April 22, 1999, May 12, 1999, and July 22, 1999. The Kansas City AAC is composed of representatives of health plans, providers, employers, and Medicare beneficiaries in the area. The members are: E.J. Holland, Chair, Sprint Corporation; Robert S. Bonney, Saint Luke's Shawnee Mission Health System; Hazel Borders, Beneficiary; Richard W. Brown, Health MidWest; Cynthia A. Finter, Kaiser Permanente; Tresia Franklin, Hallmark Cards; Alan O. Freeman, Cass Medical Center; Herman Johnson, Beneficiary; John W. Kennedy, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Kansas City; Mike Oxford, Topeka Independent Living Resource Center; Jean D. Rumbaugh, HealthNet; Kathleen Sebelius, Kansas Insurance Commissioner; Zarina Shockley-Sparling, Humana Health Plan; Jan Stallmeyer, Principal Health Care; Charles Van Way, M.D., St. Luke's Hospital; Barry Wilkinson, Heavy Construction Workers Local 663; and Esther V. Wolf, University of Missouri at Kansas City School of Social Welfare. In accordance with section 4012(b) of the BBA, the AAC will exist for the duration of the project in the area.

This notice announces two meetings of the Kansas City, MO Metropolitan Area AAC. The meetings will be held on:

- October 6, 1999, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., c.d.s.t., at the Adam's Mark Hotel, 9103 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64133.

- November 15, 1999 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., c.s.t., at the Adam's Mark Hotel, 9103 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64133.

The agenda for the October 6, 1999, meeting will include the following:

- A discussion of the status of local efforts to educate and inform beneficiaries, providers, and others about the demonstration.

- A review and contrast of the standard benefit package previously developed to the health plan benefits proposed for 2000.