

continuing challenges. The current form has been drastically reduced and

streamlined to reduce burden on Councils.

Respondents: State Developmental Disabilities Councils

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Program Performance Report	55	1	22	1,210
Estimated total annual burden Hours				1,210

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments 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) 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. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Dated: August 29, 2000.

Bob Sargis,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: State Systems Profiles.

OMB No.: New.

Description: Collect Information from States on what Systems Software each State has created in support of their administration of Federal Human Services Programs.

Respondents: States.

Annual Burden Estimates:

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Survey	54	4	1	216

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 216.

Additional Information: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer.

OMB Comment: OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attn: Desk Officer for ACF.

Dated: August 28, 2000.

Bob Sargis,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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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, 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:

Incentive Arrangement Disclosure Form and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 417.479, 417.500, 422.208, 422.210, 434.44, 434.67, 434.70, 1003.100, 1003.101, 1003.103, 1003.106;

Form No.: HCFA-R-201 (OMB #0938-0700);

Use: Managed Care Organizations that have contracts to serve Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries are required to disclose payment arrangements with medical groups and physicians. If any arrangement includes an incentive that places a group or physician at risk for referrals that exceeds 25% of total payments and the risk is spread over 25,000 or fewer patients, then the provider must have stop-loss insurance. This data collection will be used to determine compliance with the requirement to disclose incentives and maintain appropriate stop-loss.;

Frequency: Annually;

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, and State, Local or Tribal Government;

Number of Respondents: 450;

Total Annual Responses: 450;

Total Annual Hours: 45,000.

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 60 days of this notice directly to the HCFA Paperwork Clearance Officer designated at the following address:

HCFA, Office of Information Services, Security and Standards Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards, Attention: Dawn Willingham (HCFA-R-201), Room N2-14-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

Dated: August 22, 2000.

John P. Burke III,

HCFA Reports Clearance Officer, HCFA Office of Information Services, Security and Standards Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration [HCFA-1146-N]

Medicare Program; September 21, 2000, Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education

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

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces a meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education (the Panel) on September 21, 2000. This Panel advises and makes recommendations to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) on opportunities for HCFA to optimize the effectiveness of the National Medicare Education Program and other HCFA programs that help Medicare beneficiaries understand Medicare and the range of Medicare options available with the passage of the Medicare+Choice Program. The Panel meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2000 from 8:30 a.m. pst to 5:30 p.m. pst.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Waterfront Plaza Hotel, 10 Washington Street, Jack London Square, Oakland, California 94607, Telephone: (510) 836-3800 or (800) 729-3638.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susana Perry, Executive Director, CBS, Partnership Development Group, Health Care Financing Administration, 7500 Security Boulevard S1-08-07, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, (410) 786-1076. Please refer to the HCFA Advisory Committees Information Line (1-877-449-5659 toll free) or (410-786-9379 local) or the Internet (<http://www.hcfa.gov/events/apme/homepage.htm>) for additional information and updates on committee activities or by contacting the Executive Director at (E-mail: APME@hcfa.gov). Press inquiries are handled through the HCFA Press Office at (202) 690-6145.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 9(a)), Public Law 92-463, grants the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) the authority to establish an advisory committee if the Secretary finds the committee in the public interest. The Secretary signed the charter establishing this committee on January 21, 1999 (64 FR 7899, February 17, 1999). The Advisory Panel on Medicare Education (the Panel) advises us on opportunities to enhance the effectiveness of consumer education materials serving the Medicare program.

The goals of the Panel are as follows:

- Develop and implement a national Medicare education program that describes the options for selecting a health plan under Medicare.

- Enhance the Federal government's effectiveness in informing the Medicare consumer, including the appropriate use of public-private partnerships.

- Expand outreach to vulnerable and underserved communities, including racial and ethnic minorities; in the context of a national Medicare education program.

- Assemble an information base of best practices for helping consumers evaluate health plan options and building a community infrastructure for information, counseling, and assistance.

The current members are: Diane Archer, J.D., President, Medicare Rights Center; Bruce Bradley, M.B.A., Director, Managed Care Plans, General Motors Corporation; Joyce Dubow, M.U.P., Senior Policy Advisor, Public Policy Institute, AARP; Elmer Huerta, M.D., M.P.H., Director, Cancer Risk and Assessment Center, Washington Hospital Center; Bonita Kallestad, J.D., M.S., Western Minnesota Legal Services, Mid Minnesota Legal Assistance; Steven Larsen, J.D., M.A., Maryland Insurance Commissioner, Maryland Insurance Administration; Brian Lindberg, M.M.H.S., Executive Director, Consumer Coalition for Quality Health Care; Heidi Margulis, B.A., Vice President, Government Affairs, Humana, Inc.; Patricia Neuman, Sc.D., Director, Medicare Policy Project, Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation; Elena Rios, M.D., M.S.P.H., President, National Hispanic Medical Association; Samuel Simmons, B.A., President and CEO, The National Caucus and Center on Black Aged, Inc.; Nina Weinberg, M.A., President, National Health Council; and Edward Zesk, B.A., Executive Director, Aging 2000.

The agenda for the September 21, 2000, meeting will include the following:

- A recap of the last meeting.
- A presentation on communicating effectively with all people. (Issues of cultural competency and limited English proficiency.)
- A presentation on HCFA's role in and approach to providing information to Medicare consumers with limited English proficiency.
- A listening session, where Medicare consumers, caregivers to people with limited English proficiency, and information intermediaries discuss with the APME Panel approaches to effectively communicating Medicare information to people with limited English proficiency.
- A period for public comment.
- A discussion regarding suggestions for future activities to provide information to Medicare consumers with limited English proficiency.