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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: May 20, 2009.

#### Janean Chambers,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Children and Families

# Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

### **Proposed Projects**

*Title:* ACF Uniform Project Description.

OMB No.: 0970-0139.

Description: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) has more than 40 discretionary grant programs. The proposed information collection form would be a uniform discretionary application form eligible for use by grant applicants to submit project information in response to ACF program announcements. ACF would use this information, along with other OMBapproved information collections, to evaluate and rank applicants and protect the integrity of the grantee selection process. All ACF discretionary grant programs would be eligible but not required to use this application form. The application consists of general information and instructions; the Standard Form 424 series that requests basic information, budget information and assurances; the Project Description requesting the applicant to describe how these objectives will be achieved; along with assurances and certifications. Guidance for the content of information requested in the Project Description is found in OMB Circular A-102 and 45 CFR Part 74.

*Respondents:* Applicants for ACF Discretionary Grant Programs.

#### ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
UPD	11,588	1	40	463,520

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 463,520.

In compliance with the requirements of Section 506(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 Administration, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. E-mail address:

infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

# Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

[CMS-2487-PN]

Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application by the American Osteopathic Association for Continued Deeming Authority for Ambulatory Surgical Centers

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS. **ACTION:** Proposed notice.

**SUMMARY:** This proposed notice acknowledges the receipt of a deeming application from the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) for

continued recognition as a national accrediting organization for ambulatory surgical centers (ASCs) that wish to participate in the Medicare or Medicaid programs. The statute requires that we publish, within 60 days of receipt of an organization's complete application, a notice identifying the national accrediting body making the request, describing the nature of the request, and providing at least a 30-day public comment period.

**DATES:** To be assured consideration, comments must be received at one of the addresses provided below, no later than 5 p.m. on June 25, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** In commenting, please refer to file code CMS–2487–PN. Because of staff and resource limitations, we cannot accept comments by facsimile (FAX) transmission.

You may submit comments in one of four ways (please choose only one of the ways listed):

- 1. *Electronically.* You may submit electronic comments on this regulation to *http://www.regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions under the "More Search Options" tab.
- 2. By regular mail. You may mail written comments to the following address ONLY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: