

**CMS-643 Hospice Survey and
Deficiencies Report Form and
Supporting Regulations**

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. 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 requires federal agencies to publish a 60-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.

Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Hospice Survey and Deficiencies Report Form and Supporting Regulations; *Use:* We use the information collected as the basis for certification decisions for hospices that wish to obtain or retain participation in the Medicare and Medicaid programs. The information is used by CMS regional offices, which have the delegated authority to certify Medicare facilities for participation, and by State Medicaid agencies, which have comparable authority under Medicaid. The information on the Hospice Survey and Deficiencies Report Form is coded for entry into the OSCAR system. The data is analyzed by the CMS regional offices and by the CMS central office components for program evaluation and monitoring purposes. The information is

also available to the public upon request. *Form Number:* CMS-643 (OMB control number: 0938-0379); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 4,811; *Total Annual Responses:* 1,603; *Total Annual Hours:* 1,603. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Thomas Pryor at 410-786-1132.)

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and
Families**

**Submission for OMB Review; ACF's
Generic Clearance for Grant Reviewer
Recruitment Forms (OMB #0970-0477)**

AGENCY: Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation; Administration for Children and Families; HHS.

ACTION: Request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE) is proposing an extension of a currently approved generic clearance (OMB No. 0970-0477) for Grant Reviewer Recruitment (GRR) forms. The GRR forms will be used to select reviewers who will participate in the grant review process for the purpose of selecting successful applications.

DATES: *Comments due within 30 days of publication.* 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.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Email: OIRA_SUBMISSION@OMB.EOP.GOV, Attn: Desk Officer for the Administration for Children and Families.

Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 330 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20201, Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. Email address: OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description: Under this generic approval, ACF conducts and proposes to continue to conduct more than one information collection that is very similar, voluntary, low-burden and uncontroversial. The purpose is to select qualified reviewers for the grant peer review process based on professional qualifications using data entered by candidates and the uploaded writing sample and/or curriculum vitae and/or resume. The grant review process is in accordance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' (DHHS) Grants Policy Directive (GPD) 2.04 “Awarding Grants”, the DHHS Awarding Agency Grants Administration Manual (AAGAM), Chapter 2.04.104C “Objective Review of Grant Applications”, and the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, Sections 799(f) and 806(e).

Respondents: Individuals who may apply to review ACF grant applications.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Annual burden hours
Grant Reviewer Recruitment Form	3000	1	.5	1500

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1500.

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ACF/OPRE Certifying Officer.

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