

includes a new data collection instrument that will assess the impact of the supply shortage on individual facilities and how CDC NHSN bloodstream infection surveillance might be affected. Facilities enrolled in

the NHSN Patient Safety Component will be asked questions regarding the impact of the Becton Dickinson (BD) BACTECTM blood culture media bottles for their facility. The questions will be

collected electronically via the NHSN application.
CDC requests OMB approval for one year and a total of 2,334 annual burden hours. There is no cost to respondents other than their time to participate.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondent	Form name	Number of respondents	Number responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Infection Preventionist/Microbiologist	Blood Culture Bottle Shortage Questionnaire (Jul–Oct).	3,500	1	20/60	1,167
Infection Preventionist/Microbiologist	Blood Culture Bottle Shortage Questionnaire (Nov–Mar).	3,500	1	20/60	1,167

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
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[Document Identifiers: CMS–10775, CMS–
10417 and CMS–10524]

Agency Information Collection
Activities: Proposed Collection;
Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare &
Medicaid Services, Health and Human
Services (HHS).
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Medicare &
Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing
an opportunity for the public to
comment on CMS’ intention to collect
information from the public. Under the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995
(PRA), federal agencies are required to
publish notice in the **Federal Register**
concerning each proposed collection of
information (including each proposed
extension or reinstatement of an existing
collection of information) and to allow
60 days for public comment on the
proposed action. Interested persons are
invited to send comments regarding our
burden estimates or any other aspect of
this collection of information, including
the necessity and utility of the proposed
information collection for the proper
performance of the agency’s functions,
the accuracy of the estimated burden,
ways to enhance the quality, utility, and
clarity of the information to be
collected, and the use of automated

collection techniques or other forms of
information technology to minimize the
information collection burden.
DATES: Comments must be received by
August 11, 2025.
ADDRESSES: When commenting, please
reference the document identifier or
OMB control number. To be assured
consideration, comments and
recommendations must be submitted in
any one of the following ways:
1. *Electronically.* You may send your
comments electronically to [http://
www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Follow the
instructions for “Comment or
Submission” or “More Search Options”
to find the information collection
document(s) that are accepting
comments.
2. *By regular mail.* You may mail
written comments to the following
address: CMS, Office of Strategic
Operations and Regulatory Affairs,
Division of Regulations Development,
Attention: Document Identifier/OMB
Control Number: ____, Room C4–26–05,
7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore,
Maryland 21244–1850.
To obtain copies of a supporting
statement and any related forms for the
proposed collection(s) summarized in
this notice, please access the CMS PRA
website by copying and pasting the
following web address into your web
browser: [https://www.cms.gov/
Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/
PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRA-
Listing](https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRA-Listing).
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
William N. Parham at (410) 786–4669.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Contents
This notice sets out a summary of the
use and burden associated with the
following information collections. More
detailed information can be found in
each collection’s supporting statement

and associated materials (see
ADDRESSES).
CMS–10775 The Medicare Severity
Diagnosis Related Groups
Reclassification Request
CMS–10417 Medicare Fee-for-Service
Prepayment Review of Medical
Records
CMS–10524 Medicare Program: Prior
Authorization Process for Certain
Durable Medical Equipment,
Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies
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 Collections
1. *Type of Information Collection
Request:* Extension of a currently
approved collection; *Title of
Information Collection:* Medicare
Severity Diagnosis Related Groups
Reclassification Request (MS–DRGs);
Use: Section 1886(d)(4) of the Act
establishes a classification system,
referred to as DRGs, for inpatient
discharges and adjusts payments under
the IPPS based on appropriate weighting
factors assigned to each MS–DRG.
Section 1886(d)(4)(C)(i) of the Act

specifies adjustments to the classification and weighting factors shall occur “at least annually to reflect changes in treatment patterns, technology, and other factors which may change the relative use of hospital resources.”

The requests are evaluated in the Division of Coding and DRGs (DCDRG) by the DRG and Coding Team and the clinical advisors (medical officers) in both the Technology, Coding and Pricing Group (TCPG) and the Hospital and Ambulatory Policy Group (HAPG), along with the CMS contractor(s). This team participates via conference calls in the review of MedPAR claims data to analyze and perform clinical review of the requested changes. Based on the examination of claims data and clinical judgment, the team provides recommendations to CMS and HHS leadership for proposed changes. Per the statute, proposed MS–DRG changes and payment adjustments must go through notice and comment rulemaking giving the opportunity for the public to comment. Finalized MS–DRG changes are effective with discharges on and after October 1, consistent with the beginning of the fiscal year. CMS makes the updated MS–DRG grouper software and related materials that reflects the changes available to the public for free via download at: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/AcuteInpatientPPS/MS-DRG-Classifications-and-Software>.

When an application is submitted in MEARIS™, the DRG and Coding Team in DCDRG will have instant access to the application request and accompanying materials to facilitate a more-timely review of the request, including the ability to efficiently inform other team members involved in the process that information is available for their review and input. *Form Number:* CMS–10775 (OMB control number 0938–1431); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* Private Sector, Business or other for-profits, Not-for-profits institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 50; *Total Annual Responses:* 50; *Total Annual Hours:* 48,000. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Marilu Hue at 410–786–4510.)

2. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection: *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Fee-for-Service Prepayment Review of Medical Records; *Use:* The Medical Review program is designed to prevent improper payments in the Medicare FFS program. Whenever possible, Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) are encouraged to automate this process;

however, it may require the evaluation of medical records and related documents to determine whether Medicare claims are billed in compliance with coverage, coding, payment, and billing policies. Addressing improper payments in the Medicare fee-for-service (FFS) program and promoting compliance with Medicare coverage and coding rules is a top priority for the CMS. Preventing Medicare improper payments requires the active involvement of every component of CMS and effective coordination with its partners including various Medicare contractors and providers. The information required under this collection is requested by Medicare contractors to determine proper payment, or if there is a suspicion of fraud. Medicare contractors request the information from providers/suppliers submitting claims for payment when data analysis indicates aberrant billing patterns or other information which may present a vulnerability to the Medicare program. *Form Number:* CMS–10417 (OMB control number: 0938–0969); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* Private Sector, State, Business, and Not-for Profits; *Number of Respondents:* 489,871; *Number of Responses:* 489,871; *Total Annual Hours:* 244,936. (For questions regarding this collection, contact Olufemi Shodeke at 410–786–1649.)

3. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Program; Prior Authorization Process for Certain Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetic, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS); *Use:* Section 1834(a)(15) of the Social Security Act (the Act) authorizes the Secretary to develop and periodically update a list of DMEPOS that the Secretary determines, on the basis of prior payment experience, are frequently subject to unnecessary utilization and to develop a prior authorization process for these items. Pursuant to this authority, CMS published final rules CMS–6050–F and CMS–1713–F.

The information required under this collection is used to determine proper payment and coverage for DMEPOS items. The information requested includes all documents and information that demonstrate the DMEPOS item requested is reasonable and necessary for the beneficiary and meets applicable Medicare requirements. The documentation will be reviewed by trained registered nurses, therapists, or physician reviewers to determine if item(s) or service requested meets all applicable Medicare coverage, coding

and payment rules. *Form Number:* CMS–10524 (OMB control number: 0938–1293); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* Private Sector (Business or other for-profits, Not-for-Profit Institutions); *Number of Respondents:* ; *Total Annual Responses:* 190,344; *Total Annual Hours:* 95,172. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Emily Calvert at (410) 786–4277.)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Agency information collection activities: Proposed collection; comment request; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: This notice extends the comment period for a 30-day notice request for proposed information collection request associated with the notice [Document Identifier: CMS–10371] entitled “State-based Exchange, SBE, SBE Budget Template, SBE Enrollment Metrics, Open Enrollment” and published in the May 21, 2025 (90 FR 21775) **Federal Register**. The comment period for the information collection request, which would have ended on June 20, 2025, is extended to Monday, July 7, 2025.

DATES: The comment period for the information collection request published in the May 21, 2025, **Federal Register** (90 FR 21775) is extended to July 7, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, please access the CMS PRA website by copying and