

implementation as well as short term and intermediate outcomes of the thirteen funded recipients.

CDC and RTI International propose to collect information from all thirteen funded PCNASP recipients to gain insight into the effectiveness of implementation approaches, including linking and using data, using team based approaches to coordinate stroke care, and providing community resources in order to reach the general population and those at highest risk of stroke events, and reduce disparities in access to quality care for high burden populations.

The information collection will focus on describing PCNASP specific contributions to effective state-based stroke systems of care and the costs associated with this work. Two components of the information

collection include: (1) Program implementation cost data collection from program recipients using a cost collection tool; and (2) interviews with key program and partner staff. Cost data collection will focus on recipients' cumulative spending to support PCNASP activities, spending by reporting period, and spending associated with specific PCNASP strategies related to building comprehensive state-wide stroke systems of care and strategies focusing on high-risk populations. Interview questions will focus on how each recipient implemented its strategies to increase access to and quality of healthcare overall, as well as for patients at highest risk of stroke events. It will identify challenges encountered and how they were overcome, factors that facilitated implementation, lessons

learned along the way, and observed outcomes and improvements. The information to be collected does not currently exist for large scale, statewide programs that employ multiple combinations of strategies to build comprehensive stroke systems of care.

The insights to be gained from this data collection will be critical to improving immediate efforts and achieving the goals of spreading and replicating state-level strategies that are proven programmatically and are cost-effective in contributing to a higher quality of care for stroke patients. OMB approval is requested for three years. CDC requests OMB approval for an estimated 104 annual burden hours. Participation is voluntary and there are no costs to respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Program Manager	Cost Collection Tool	13	1	2	26
Program Director	Interview	13	1	1	13
Quality Improvement Specialist	Interview	13	1	1	13
Partner Support Staff	Interview	52	1	1	52
Total	104

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the CDC announces the following meeting for the Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (BSC, NCIPC). This meeting is closed to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on June 8, 2022, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., EDT (CLOSED).

ADDRESSES: Zoom Virtual Meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Arlene Greenspan, DrPH, MPH, PT, Associate Director for Science, NCIPC, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway NE, Mailstop S-1069, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, Telephone: (770) 488-1279, Email: ncipcbbsc@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting designated above will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 552b(c)(4) and (6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Director, Strategic Business Initiatives Unit, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, CDC, pursuant to Public Law 92-463 (5 U.S.C. App. 2).

Purpose: The Board will: (1) Conduct, encourage, cooperate with, and assist other appropriate public health authorities, scientific institutions, and scientists in the conduct of research, investigations, experiments, demonstrations, and studies relating to the causes, diagnosis, treatment, control, and prevention of physical and mental diseases, and other impairments; (2) assist States and their political subdivisions in preventing and suppressing communicable and non-

communicable diseases and other preventable conditions and in promoting health and well-being; and (3) conduct and assist in research and control activities related to injury. The Board of Scientific Counselors makes recommendations regarding policies, strategies, objectives, and priorities; and reviews progress toward injury prevention goals and provides evidence in injury prevention-related research and programs. The Board also provides advice on the appropriate balance of intramural and extramural research, as well as the structure, progress and performance of intramural programs. The Board is designed to provide guidance on extramural scientific program matters, including the: (1) Review of extramural research concepts for funding opportunity announcements; (2) conduct of Secondary Peer Review of extramural research grant, cooperative agreement, and contract applications received in response to funding opportunity announcements as they relate to the Center's programmatic balance and mission; (3) submission of secondary review recommendations to the Center Director of applications to be considered for funding support; (4) review of

research portfolios, and (5) review of program proposals.

Matters to be Considered: The closed meeting will focus on the Secondary Peer Review of extramural research grant applications received in response to two (2) Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs): (1) RFA-CE-22-002—"Grants to Support New Investigators in Conducting Research Related to Preventing Interpersonal Violence Impacting Children and Youth"; (2) RFA-CE-22-004—"Research Grants to Prevent Firearm-Related Violence and Injuries (R01)"; as well as PA-21-259—PHS 2021-2 Omnibus Solicitation of the NIH, CDC and FDA for Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Grant Applications (Parent SBIR [R43/R44] Clinical Trial Not Allowed) and PA-21-260—PHS 2021-2 Omnibus Solicitation of the NIH and CDC for SBIR Grant Applications (Parent SBIR [R43/R44] Clinical Trial Required). Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

The Director, Strategic Business Initiatives Unit, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Application From the National Dialysis Accreditation Commission (NDAC) for Continued Approval of Its End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Facility Accreditation Program

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, HHS.

ACTION: Notice with request for comment.

SUMMARY: This notice acknowledges the receipt of an application from the National Dialysis Accreditation Commission for continued recognition as a national accrediting organization

for End Stage Renal Disease facilities that wish to participate in the Medicare or Medicaid programs.

DATES: To be assured consideration, comments must be received at one of the addresses provided below, no later than 5 p.m. on June 22, 2022.

ADDRESSES: In commenting, refer to file code CMS-3428-PN. Because of staff and resource limitations, we cannot accept comments by facsimile (FAX) transmission.

Comments, including mass comment submissions, must be submitted in one of the following three 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 "Submit a comment" instructions.

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: CMS-3428-PN, P.O. Box 8010, Baltimore, MD 21244-8010.

Please allow sufficient time for mailed comments to be received before the close of the comment period.

3. *By express or overnight mail.* You may send written comments to the following address ONLY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: CMS-3428-PN, Mail Stop C4-26-05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850.

For information on viewing public comments, see the beginning of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Caecilia Blondiaux, (410) 786-2190.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Inspection of Public Comments: All comments received before the close of the comment period are available for viewing by the public, including any personally identifiable or confidential business information that is included in a comment. We post all comments received before the close of the comment period on the following website as soon as possible after they have been received: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the search instructions on that website to view public comments.

I. Background

Under the Medicare program, eligible beneficiaries may receive covered services from an end-stage renal disease (ESRD) facility provided certain requirements are met. Section 1881(b) of the Social Security Act (the Act) establishes distinct criteria for facilities seeking designation as a Medicare-

certified ESRD facility. Regulations concerning provider agreements are at 42 CFR part 489 and those pertaining to activities relating to the survey and certification of facilities are at 42 CFR part 488. The regulations at 42 CFR part 494 subparts A through D specify the conditions that an ESRD must meet in order to participate in the Medicare program, the scope of covered services, and the conditions for Medicare payment for ESRD facilities.

Generally, to enter into an agreement, an ESRD facility must first be certified by a State survey agency as complying with the conditions or requirements set forth in part 494 subparts A through D of our Medicare regulations. Thereafter, the ESRD facility is subject to regular surveys by a State survey agency to determine whether it continues to meet these requirements.

Section 1865(a)(1) of the Act provides that, if a provider entity demonstrates through accreditation by a Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) approved national accrediting organization (AO) that all applicable Medicare conditions are met or exceeded, we may deem those provider entities as having met the requirements. Accreditation by an AO is voluntary and is not required for Medicare participation.

If an AO is recognized by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) as having standards for accreditation that meet or exceed Medicare requirements, any provider entity accredited by the national accrediting body's approved program would be deemed to meet the Medicare conditions. A national AO applying for approval of its accreditation program under part 488, subpart A, must provide CMS with reasonable assurance that the AO requires the accredited provider entities to meet requirements that are at least as stringent as the Medicare conditions. Our regulations concerning the approval of AOs are set forth at § 488.4 and 488.5. The regulations at § 488.5(e)(2)(i) require AOs to reapply for continued approval of its accreditation program every 6 years or sooner as determined by CMS.

The National Dialysis Accreditation Commission's (NDAC's) current term of approval for their ESRD facility accreditation program expires January 4, 2023.

II. Approval of Deeming Organizations

Section 1865(a)(2) of the Act and regulations at § 488.5 require that our findings concerning review and approval of an AO's requirements consider, among other factors, the