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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; 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 a second opportunity for public comment on the notice. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden estimate 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 on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by September 26, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent

within 30 days of publication of this notice 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 pasting the following web address into your web browser: <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRA-Listing>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Parham at (410) 786–4669.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (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 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires federal agencies to publish a 30-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 that summarizes the following proposed collection(s) of information for public comment:

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Reinstatement without change of a previously approved collection; *Titles of Information Collection:* ASC Forms for Medicare Program Certification; *Use:* The form CMS–370 titled "Health Insurance Benefits Agreement" is used for the purpose of establishing an ASC's eligibility for payment under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act (the "Act"). This agreement, upon acceptance by the Secretary of Health & Human Services, shall be binding on the ASC and the Secretary. The agreement may be terminated by either party in accordance with regulations. In the event of termination of this agreement, payment will not be available for the ASC's services furnished to Medicare beneficiaries on or after the effective date of termination.

The CMS–377 form is used by ASCs to initiate both the initial and renewal survey by the State Survey Agency, which provides the certification required for an ASC to participate in the Medicare program. An ASC must complete the CMS–377 form and send it to the appropriate State Survey Agency prior to their scheduled accreditation renewal date. The CMS–377 form provides the State Survey Agency with information about the ASC facility's characteristics, such as, determining the size and the composition of the survey team on the basis of the number of ORs/procedure rooms and the types of surgical procedures performed in the ASC. *Form Numbers:* CMS–370 and CMS–377 (OMB control number: 0938–0266); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* Private Sector—Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 1,711; *Total Annual Responses:* 1,711; *Total Annual Hours:* 1,559. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Caroline Gallaher at 410–786–8705.)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; 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 a second opportunity for public comment on the notice. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden estimate 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 on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by September 26, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice 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.

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1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Rate Increase

Disclosure and Review Requirements (45 CFR part 154); *Use:* 45 CFR part 154 implements the annual review of proposed increases in premiums for health insurance coverage called for by section 2794 of the Public Health Service Act (PHS Act). The regulation established a rate review program to ensure that all rate increases that meet or exceed an established threshold are reviewed by a state or the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to determine whether the proposed rate increases are unreasonable. Each state or CMS also reviews all proposed rate changes from issuers offering non-grandfathered health insurance coverage in the individual and/or small group markets for compliance with the Federal rating rules at sections 2701, 2705, 2717(c)(4), and 2753 of the PHS Act, section 1312(c) of the Affordable Care Act, and 45 CFR 147.102, 147.110, 148.180, and 156.80. Accordingly, issuers offering non-grandfathered health insurance coverage in the individual and/or small group markets are required to submit Rate Filing Justifications to CMS. 45 CFR 154.103 exempts grandfathered health plan coverage as defined in 45 CFR 147.140, excepted benefits as described in section 2791(c) of the PHS Act and student health insurance coverage, as defined in § 147.145, from Federal rate review requirements.

The Rate Filing Justification consists of three parts. All issuers must continue to submit a Uniform Rate Review Template (URRT) (Part I of the Rate Filing Justification) for all single risk pool plans. 45 CFR 154.200(a)(1) establishes a 15 percent federal default threshold for reasonableness review. Issuers that submit a rate filing that includes a plan with a proposed rate increase that meets or exceeds the threshold must include a written description justifying the rate increase, also known as the consumer justification narrative (Part II of the Rate Filing Justification). We note that the threshold set by CMS constitutes a minimum standard, and most states currently employ stricter rate review standards and may continue to do so. Issuers offering a QHP or any single risk pool submission containing a rate increase of any size must continue to submit an actuarial memorandum (Part III of the Rate Filing Justification). The actuarial memorandum is required whenever a state with an Effective Rate Review Program, as determined in accordance with 45 CFR 154.301, requires it to be submitted, and for all plans in states that do not have an Effective Rate Review Program. *Form*

Number: CMS-10379 (OMB control number: 0938-1141); *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Private Sector; Businesses or other for-profits, Not-for-profit institutions, State, Local, or Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 620; *Number of Responses:* 2,551; *Total Annual Hours:* 46,102. (For policy questions regarding this collection, contact Keith McNamara at 410-786-7010.)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[Document Identifier: CMS-10398]

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

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

ACTION: Notice of request for reinstatement of a previously approved information collection.

SUMMARY: On May 28, 2010, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) guidance related to the "generic" clearance process. Generally, this is an expedited clearance process by which agencies may obtain OMB's approval of collection of information requests that are "usually voluntary, low-burden, and uncontroversial," do not raise any substantive or policy issues, and do not require policy or methodological review. The process requires the submission of an overarching plan that defines the scope of the individual collections that may be submitted under that umbrella. This notice is intended to advise the public of our intent to reinstate OMB's approval of our generic umbrella (CMS-10398, OMB control number 0938-1148) and all of the individual generic collection of information requests that fall under that umbrella. This notice also provides the public with general instructions for obtaining documents that are associated with such collections and for submitting comments.

DATES: Comments must be received by September 26, 2024.

ADDRESSES: