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Dated: December 1, 2006.

Alvin Hall,

Director, Management Analysis and Services Office Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

[Document Identifier: CMS-R-244]

Emergency Clearance: Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

We are requesting an emergency review of the information collection referenced below. In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following requirements for emergency review. We are requesting an emergency review because the collection of this information is needed before the expiration of the normal time limits under OMB's regulations at 5 CFR Part 1320. This is necessary to ensure compliance with an initiative of the Administration. We cannot reasonably

comply with the normal clearance procedures because the use of normal clearance procedures is reasonably likely to cause a statutory deadline to be missed.

The reporting requirements being filed under this collection do not represent substantively new processes for the Programs of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) providers. The reporting requirements have been updated in specific areas to provide a mechanism for disclosure and recusal in the event of a conflict of interest involving members of the PACE governing body or their immediate family members. In addition, the requirement that PACE organizations must furnish a copy of signed contracts for inpatient care facilities to CMS and the State administering agency has been removed.

The Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Programs of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly; program revisions final rule, CMS-1201-F, and the reporting requirements in this collection are required to become effective on the same date.

Type of Information Collection Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Title of Information Collection: The Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Programs of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE).

Form Number: CMS-R-244 (OMB#: 0938-0790).

Use: PACE organizations must demonstrate their ability to provide quality community-based care for the frail elderly who meet their State's nursing home eligibility standards using capitated payments from Medicare and the State. PACE programs must provide all Medicare and Medicaid covered services including hospital, nursing home, home health, and other specialized services. This collection is necessary to ensure that only appropriate organizations are selected to become PACE organizations and that CMS has the information necessary to monitor the care they provide.

Frequency: Reporting—Once and On occasion.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions and State, Local, or Tribal Governments.

Number of Respondents: 54.

Total Annual Responses: 108.

Total Annual Hours: 44131.50.

CMS is requesting OMB review and approval of this collection by *December 29, 2006*, with a 180-day approval period. Written comments and recommendations will be considered from the public if received by the

individuals designated below by December 22, 2006.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access CMS's Web site address at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995> or e-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326.

Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden or any other aspect of these collections of information requirements. However, as noted above, comments on these information collection and recordkeeping requirements must be mailed and/or faxed to the designees referenced below by December 22, 2006: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Room C4-26-05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850. Attn: Bonnie L Harkless and, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Carolyn Lovett, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503. Fax Number: (202) 395-6974.

Dated: November 9, 2006.

Michelle Shortt,

Director, Regulations Development Group, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Emergency Clearance: Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

AGENCY: Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The

necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

We are, however, requesting an emergency review of the information collection referenced below. In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following requirements for emergency review. We are requesting an emergency review because the collection of this information is needed before the expiration of the normal time limits under OMB's regulations at 5 CFR part 1320. This is necessary to ensure compliance with implementation of Public Law No. 109-171 Deficit Reduction Act (DRA) of 2005. CMS does not have sufficient time to complete the normal PRA clearance process.

We request this Paperwork Reduction Act clearance under an emergency approval process to allow States to implement the following DRA provisions: 6036, 6041, 6042, 6043, 6044, and 6083. This emergency request is to ensure that statutory effective dates of the provisions are not missed.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New Collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Alternative Benefits State Plan Amendment Health Opportunity Accounts (HOA) Demonstration Program; *Use:* The DRA provides States with numerous flexibilities in operating their State Medicaid programs. For example, Section 6082 of the DRA allows up to 10 States to operate Medicaid demonstrations to test alternative systems for delivering their Medicaid benefits. Under these demonstrations, States would have the flexibility to deliver their Medicaid benefits to volunteer beneficiaries through a program that is comprised of an HOA and a High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP). Under the DRA, States can submit a State Plan Pre-print to CMS to effectuate this change to their Medicaid programs. CMS will provide a State Medicaid Director letter providing guidance on this provision and the implementation of the DRA and the associated State Plan Amendment template for use by States to modify their Medicaid State Plans if they choose to implement this flexibility;

Form Number: CMS-10216 (OMB#: 0938-New); *Frequency:* Reporting: One-time; *Affected Public:* State, Local or Tribal Government; *Number of Respondents:* 56; *Total Annual Responses:* 10; *Total Annual Hours:* 10.

CMS is requesting OMB review and approval of these collections by *December 22, 2006*, with a 180-day approval period. Written comments and recommendations will be considered from the public if received by the individuals designated below by *December 18, 2006*.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access CMS' Web site address at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995/> or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326.

Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden or any other aspect of these collections of information requirements. However, as noted above, comments on these information collection and recordkeeping requirements must be received by the designees referenced below by *December 18, 2006*:

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Room C4-26-05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, Attn: Melissa Musotto (CMS-10216) and,

OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Katherine Astrich, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: November 30, 2006.

Michelle Shortt,

Director, Regulations Development Group, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

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AGENCY: Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, HHS.

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The Social Security Act requires that applicant organizations, offering Part C benefits for January 2008 be contracted with CMS for their approved service area with open enrollment beginning on November 15, 2007. Further, the Act requires the submission of Part C benefit bids from applicant organizations by the