

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**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:* New collection (Request for a new OMB control number); *Title of Information Collection:* The Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Programs: Part C and Part D Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MARx) System Updates for the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan Program; *Use:* The IRA amended the Act by adding section 1860D-2(b)(2)(E) which, beginning January 1, 2025, establishes the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan program (hereinafter referred to as the “program”). Under this program, MA Organizations offering Part D coverage and Part D sponsors (collectively “Part D plans” or “Plans”) are required to offer enrollees the option to pay their Part D cost sharing in monthly amounts spread out over the plan year based on the formulae described in section 1860D-2(b)(2)(E)(iv) of the Act.

To effectively monitor the program, Part D plans will be required to report data elements related to the program at the beneficiary, contract, and Plan Benefit Package (PBP) 1 levels beginning in Contract Year (CY) 2025. In this information collection package, CMS addresses the proposal to require Part D plans to submit beneficiary-level data elements into the MARx system via a program-specific transaction (separate from the enrollment file). In accordance with the Plan Communication User Guide (PCUG), plans may submit multiple transaction files during any CMS business day, Monday through Friday. Plan transactions are processed

as received; there is no minimum or maximum limit to the number of files that Plans may submit in a day. In general, transaction and processing occur throughout the Current Calendar Month (CCM). For CY 2025, CMS will not require independent data validation for this new MARx reporting requirement. *Form Number:* CMS-10887 (OMB control number: 0938-New); *Frequency:* Monthly; *Affected Public:* Private, Federal Government, Business or other for profits, Not-for-profits institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 856; *Total Annual Responses:* 3,200,856; *Total Annual Hours:* 59,958. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Michael Brown at (872) 287-1370 or [michael.brown3@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:michael.brown3@cms.hhs.gov).)

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision with change of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Application to be a Qualified Entity to Receive Medicare Data for Performance Measurement/Reapplication/Annual Report Worksheet; *Use:* The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) was enacted on March 23, 2010 (Pub. L. 111-148). ACA amends section 1874 of the Social Security Act by adding a new subsection (e) to make standardized extracts of Medicare claims data under Parts A, B, and D available to QEs to evaluate the performance of providers of services and suppliers. This is the Application, Reapplication, and ARW which provides CMS with the information it needs to determine whether an organization earns approval and continues as a QE.

CMS established the Qualified Entity Certification Program (QECP) to evaluate an organization's eligibility across three areas: (1) organizational and governance capabilities, (2) addition of claims data from other sources (as required in the statute), and (3) data privacy and security. QE certification lasts for 3 years. Organizations that are interested in remaining in the QE program must submit a Reapplication that is reviewed and approved by QECP. In addition, each year QEs must submit an annual report to QECP that provides information required by statute. *Form Number:* CMS-10394 (OMB control number: 0938-1144); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profits; *Number of Respondents:* 40; *Total Annual Responses:* 210; *Total Annual Hours:* 17,400. (For policy questions regarding this collection

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****National Institutes of Health****National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting**

Pursuant to section 1009 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Special Emphasis Panel; Genetics and Biology of von Willebrand Disease.

*Date:* May 8, 2024.

*Time:* 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

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(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.233, National Center for Sleep Disorders Research; 93.837, Heart and Vascular Diseases Research; 93.838, Lung Diseases Research; 93.839, Blood Diseases and Resources Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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