

national competition. The other related forms (PHS 416–5, 416–7, 6031, 6031–1) are used by these individuals to activate, terminate, and provide for payback of a National Research Service Award. *Frequency of response:* Applicants may submit applications for published receipt dates. If awarded, annual progress is reported and trainees may be appointed or reappointed. *Affected Public:* Individuals or households; businesses or other for profit; not-for-profit institutions; Federal Government; and State, Local or Tribal Governments. *Type of Respondents:* Adult scientific trainees. The annual reporting burden is as follows: *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 34,454; *Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 1; *Average Burden Hours per Response:* 3.9; and *Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested:* 132,501. The annualized cost to respondents is estimated at: \$4,637,535.

Request for Comments: Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited on one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Direct Comments to OMB: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov or by fax to 202–395–6974, Attention: Desk Officer for NIH. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, contact: contact Ms. Mikia Currie, Project Clearance Branch, Office of Policy for Extramural Research Administration, NIH, Rockledge 1 Building, Room 3505, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892–7974, or call non-toll-free number 301–435–0941, or e-mail your request,

including your address to: [\[curriem@od.nih.gov\]](mailto:curriem@od.nih.gov).

Comments Due Date: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare and 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 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, 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(a)(2)(iii). This is necessary to

ensure compliance with an initiative of the Administration. If CMS were to comply with the normal clearance procedures, it would not be able to implement its expedited review program on a timely basis as required by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) section 3001(a)(5).

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Request for Expedited Review of Denial of Premium Assistance *Use:* Section 3001 of the ARRA provides "Assistance Eligible Individuals" with the right to pay reduced COBRA premiums. An "assistance eligible individual" is a "qualified beneficiary" who: (1) is eligible for COBRA continuation coverage at any time during the period beginning September 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2009; (2) elects COBRA coverage; and (3) has a qualifying event for COBRA coverage, that is the employee's involuntary termination during the period beginning September 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2009.

If individuals request treatment as an assistance eligible individual and are denied such treatment because of their ineligibility for the reduced premium assistance, the Secretary of Health and Human Services must provide for expedited review of the denial upon application to the Secretary in the form and manner the Secretary provides. The Secretary is required to make a determination within 15 business days after receipt of an individual's application for review.

The Request for Expedited Review of Denial of Premium Assistance (the "Application") is the form that will be used by individuals to file their expedited review appeals. Such individuals must complete all information requested on the Application in order to file their review requests with CMS. An Application may be denied if sufficient information is not provided. *Form Number:* CMS–10285 (OMB#: 0938–New); *Frequency:* Reporting—Once; *Affected Public:* Individuals or Households; *Number of Respondents:* 12,000 *Total Annual Responses:* 12,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 12,000. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Jim Mayhew at 410–786–9244. For all other issues call 410–786–1326.)

CMS is requesting OMB review and approval of this collection by *May 15, 2009*, with a 180-day approval period. Written comments and recommendation will be considered from the public if received by the individuals designated below by the noted deadline below.

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.

In commenting on the proposed information collections please reference the document identifier or OMB control number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be submitted in one of the following ways by *May 14, 2009*:

1. *Electronically.* You may submit your comments electronically to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for "Comment or Submission" or "More Search Options" to find the information collection document(s) 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 (CMS-10285), Room C4-26-05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850; and

OMB Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: CMS Desk Officer, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Fax Number: (202) 395-6974.

Dated: April 30, 2009.

Michelle Shortt,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities Under Emergency Review for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) has submitted the following request (see below) for emergency OMB review under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). OMB approval has been requested upon publication of this notice for 120 days and the approval foregoes the routine comment period. During the emergency approval period, HRSA will publish a **Federal Register** notice announcing the initiation of a broad 60-day public comment period and begin the process for a routine information collection request. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and draft instruments, e-mail paperwork@hrsa.gov or call the HRSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443-1129.

Proposed Project: HRSA/Bureau of Primary Health Care Capital Improvement Program Application Electronic Health Records (EHR) Readiness Checklist (NEW)

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) provides \$1.5 billion in grants to support construction, renovation and equipment, and the acquisition of health information technology systems, for health centers, including health center controlled networks receiving operating grants under section 330 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 254b). HRSA is requesting emergency processing procedures for the Electronic Health Records (EHR) Readiness Checklist portion of the application because this information is needed before the expiration of the normal time limits under regulations at 5 CFR part 1320 to ensure the timely availability of data to make award determinations for receipt of funds under ARRA. Of the \$1.5 billion, HRSA will award approximately \$850 million, through limited competition grants, for one-time Capital Improvement Program (CIP) grant funding in fiscal year (FY) 2009 to support existing section 330 funded health centers. Funding under this opportunity will address pressing capital improvement needs in health centers, such as construction, repair, renovation, and equipment purchases, including health information technology systems. Applicants must provide information using the EHR Readiness Checklist that demonstrates comprehensive planning and readiness for implementing EHRs.

The estimated annual burden is as follows:

Form	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Total responses	Hours per response	Total burden hours
EHR Readiness Checklist	568	1	568	.25	568
Total	568	568	568

Dated: April 29, 2009.

Alexandra Huttinger,

Director, Division of Policy Review and Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities Under Emergency Review for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

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