

CMS-179 State Plan Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Base Plan Pages, Attachments, Supplements to Attachments)

Under the 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 requires federal agencies to publish a 60-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.

Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicaid State Plan Base Plan Pages; *Use:* State Medicaid agencies complete the plan pages while we review the information to determine if the state has met all of the requirements of the provisions the states choose to implement. If the requirements are met, we will approve the amendments to the state’s Medicaid plan giving the state the authority to implement the flexibilities. For a state to receive Medicaid Title XIX funding, there must be an approved Title XIX state plan. *Form Number:* CMS-179 (OMB control number 0938–0193); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* State, Local, and Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 56; *Total Annual Responses:* 1,120; *Total Annual Hours:* 22,400. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Annette Pearson at 410–786–6958.)

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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

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 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.

DATES: Comments on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by *May 20, 2015*.

ADDRESSES: When commenting on the proposed information collections, please reference the document identifier or OMB control number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be received by the OMB desk officer via one of the following transmissions: OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: CMS Desk Officer, Fax Number: (202) 395–5806 OR, Email: *OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov*.

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, you may make your request using one of following:

1. Access CMS’ Web site address at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995>.
2. Email your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number,

and CMS document identifier, to *Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov*.

3. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786–1326.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786–1326.

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:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Enrollment Application: Reassignment of Medicare Benefits; *Use:* The primary function of the CMS 855R enrollment application is to allow physicians and non-physician practitioners to reassign their Medicare benefits to a group practice and to gather information from the individual that tells us who he/she is, where he or she renders services, and information necessary to establish correct claims payment. The goal of periodically evaluating and revising the CMS–855R enrollment application is to simplify and clarify the information collection without jeopardizing our need to collect specific information. At this time, CMS is making very few minor revisions to the CMS–855R (Reassignment of Benefits) Medicare enrollment application (OMB No. 0938–1179). Two sections within the form are being reversed to maintain sync with online and paper forms. The previously approved CMS 855R section 2 collected information regarding the individual practitioner who is reassigning benefits and section 3 collected information regarding the organization/group receiving the reassigned benefits. These two sections have been reversed so that section 2 now collects information on

the regarding the organization/group receiving the reassigned benefits and section 3 now collects information on the individual practitioner who is reassigning benefits. No information or data collection within these sections was revised. The sections were merely re-sequenced and re-numbered to maintain sync between online and paper forms. With the exception of this section reversal and adding the word “optional” to sections 4 and 5 (primary practice location and contact person information), there are no other revisions. These revisions offer no new data collection in this revision package. The addition of the optional choice in sections 4 and 5 could potentially reduce the burden to providers who choose not to complete either or both optional sections. *Form Number:* CMS–855R (OMB control number 0938–1179); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments, Private sector (For-profit and Not-for-profit institutions); *Number of Respondents:* 379,619; *Total Annual Responses:* 379,619; *Total Annual Hours:* 94,905. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Kim McPhillips at 410–786–7278).

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Application to Be a Qualified Entity to Receive Medicare Data for Performance Measurement; *Use:* Section 10332 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) requires the Secretary to make standardized extracts of Medicare claims data under parts A, B, and D available to “qualified entities” for the evaluation of the performance of providers of services and suppliers. The statute provides the Secretary with discretion to establish criteria to determine whether an entity is qualified to use claims data to evaluate the performance of providers of services and suppliers. We are proposing at section 42 CFR 401.703 to evaluate an organization’s eligibility across three areas: Organizational and governance capabilities, addition of claims data from other sources (as required in the statute), and data privacy and security. This is the application through which organizations will provide information to CMS to determine whether they will be approved as a qualified entity. *Form Number:* CMS–10394 (OMB control number: 0938–1144); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* Private sector—Business or other for-profits and Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 35; *Total Annual Responses:* 35; *Total Annual Hours:*

6,833. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Kari Gaare at 410–786–8612).

3. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved information collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Cooperative Agreements to Support Establishment of State-Operated Health Insurance Exchanges; *Use:* All States (including the 50 States, consortia of States, and the District of Columbia herein referred to as States) had the opportunity under section 1311(b) of the Affordable Care Act to apply for three types of grants: (1) Planning grants; (2) Early Innovator grants for early development of information technology; and (3) Establishment grants to develop, implement and start-up Marketplaces. As of January 1st, 2015, the Secretary has disbursed over \$5.4 billion under this grant program and, as of that date, there were 79 active establishment grants awarded to 28 states. As the State-Based Marketplaces (SBM) and Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP) have matured and moved from the developmental phases to full-operation, the reporting requirements for the states have been modified and streamlined to insure only information necessary to provide effective oversight of their operations by CMS is collected.

Given the innovative nature of Exchanges and the statutorily-prescribed relationship between the Secretary and States in their development and operation, it is critical that the Secretary work closely with States to provide necessary guidance and technical assistance to ensure that States can meet the prescribed timelines, federal requirements, and goals of the statute and the grants awarded to them. *Form Number:* CMS–10371 (OMB control number: 0938–1119); *Frequency:* Once; *Affected Public:* State Government agencies, Private sector (Not-for-profit institutions); *Number of Respondents:* 28; *Number of Responses:* 48; *Total Annual Hours:* 31,404. (For policy questions regarding this collection, contact Dena Puskin at (301) 492–4342.)

4. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a previously approved information collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Exchange Functions: Standards for Navigators and Non-Navigator Assistance Personnel; *Use:* Section 1321(a)(1) of the Affordable Care Act directs and authorizes the Secretary to issue regulations setting standards for meeting the requirements under title I of the Affordable Care Act, with respect to, among other things, the establishment and operation of Exchanges. Pursuant to this authority,

regulations have been finalized at 45 CFR 155.215(b)(1) to require Navigators, as well as those non-Navigator personnel to whom 45 CFR 155.215 applies, requires completion of HHS approved training for initial certification and annual recertification prior to providing application and enrollment assistance. The training will include an optional training quality survey providing Navigators and non-Navigator assistance personnel to whom 45 CFR 155.215 applies, an opportunity to provide feedback to CMS regarding the training and any improvements that can be made in the future. *Form Number:* CMS–10472 (OMB control number: 0938–1220); *Frequency:* On Occasion; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments, Private sector (Not-for-profit institutions), Individuals or Households; *Number of Respondents:* 5,610; *Number of Responses:* 5,610; *Total Annual Hours:* 37,036. (For policy questions regarding this collection, contact Heather Raeburn at 301–492–4224.)

5. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a previously approved information collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Consumer Assistance Tools and Programs of an Exchange and Certified Application Counselors; Exchange and Insurance Market Standards for 2015; *Use:* Section 1321(a)(1) of the Affordable Care Act directs and authorizes the Secretary to issue regulations setting standards for meeting the requirements under title I of the Affordable Care Act, with respect to, among other things, the establishment and operation of Exchanges. Pursuant to this authority, regulations establishing the certified application counselor program have been finalized at 45 CFR 155.225. In accordance with 155.225(d)(1) and (7), certified application counselors in all Exchanges are required to be initially certified and recertified on at least an annual basis and successfully complete Exchange-required training. *Form Number:* CMS–10494 (OMB control number: 0938–1205); *Frequency:* On Occasion; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments, Private sector (Not-for-profit institutions), Individuals or Households; *Number of Respondents:* 35,000; *Number of Responses:* 190,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 27,110. (For policy questions regarding this collection, contact Tricia Beckmann at 301–492–4328.)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Community Living

Applications for New Awards; National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research—Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers

AGENCY: Administration for Community Living, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

Overview Information: National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR)—Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers (RRTC)—Employer Practices Leading to Successful Employment Outcomes for Individuals with Disabilities.

Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2015.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.133B-1.

DATES: *Applications Available: April 20, 2015.*

Note: On July 22, 2014, President Obama signed the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA). WIOA was effective immediately. One provision of WIOA transferred the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) from the Department of Education to the Administration for Community Living (ACL) in the Department of Health and Human Services. In addition, NIDRR's name was changed to the Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR). For FY 2015, all NIDILRR priority notices will be published as ACL notices, and ACL will make all NIDILRR awards. During this transition period, however, NIDILRR will continue to review grant applications using Department of Education tools. NIDILRR will post previously-approved application kits to grants.gov, and NIDILRR applications submitted to grants.gov will be forwarded to the Department of Education's G-5 system for peer review. We are using Department of Education application kits and peer review systems during this transition year in order to provide for a smooth and orderly process for our applicants.

Date of Pre-Application Meeting: May 11, 2015.

Deadline for Notice of Intent to Apply: May 26, 2015.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: June 19, 2015.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: The purpose of the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program is to plan and conduct research, demonstration projects, training, and related activities, including international activities to develop methods, procedures, and rehabilitation technology. The Program's activities are designed to maximize the full inclusion and integration into society, employment, independent living, family support, and economic and social self-sufficiency of individuals with disabilities, especially individuals with the most severe disabilities, and to improve the effectiveness of services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (Rehabilitation Act).

Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers

The purpose of the RRTCs, which are funded through the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program, is to achieve the goals of, and improve the effectiveness of, services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act through well-designed research, training, technical assistance, and dissemination activities in important topical areas as specified by NIDILRR. These activities are designed to benefit rehabilitation service providers, individuals with disabilities, family members, policymakers and other research stakeholders. Additional information on the RRTC program can be found at: <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/rrtc/index.html#types>.

Priorities: There are two priorities for the grant competition announced in this notice. The General RRTC Requirements priority is from the notice of final priorities for the Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers, published in the **Federal Register** on February 1, 2008 (73 FR 6132). Priority two is from the notice of final priority for this program, published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**.

Absolute Priorities: For FY 2015 and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition, these priorities are absolute priorities. Under 45 CFR part 75 we consider only applications that meet these program priorities.

These priorities are:

Priority 1—General RRTC Requirements.

Note: The full text of this priority is included in the notice of final priorities for the Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers, published in the **Federal Register** on February 1, 2008 (73 FR 6132) and in the application package for this competition.

Priority 2—RRTC on Employer Practices Leading to Successful Employment Outcomes for Individuals with Disabilities.

Note: The full text of this priority is included in the notice of final priority published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register** and in the application package for this competition.

Program Authority: 29 U.S.C. 762(g) and 764(b)(2).

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Department of Health and Human Services General Administrative Regulations in 45 CFR part 75; (b) Audit Requirements for Federal Awards in 45 CFR part 75 Subpart F; (c) 45 CFR part 75 Non-procurement Debarment and Suspension; (d) 45 CFR part 75 Requirement for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance); (e) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR part 350; (f) The notice of final priorities for the RRTC Program published in the **Federal Register** on February 1, 2008 (73 FR 6132); and (g) The notice of final priority for this program, published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**.

II. Award Information

Type of Award: Discretionary grants.
Estimated Available Funds: \$875,000.

Contingent upon the availability of funds and the quality of applications, we may make additional awards in FY 2015 and any subsequent year from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition.

Maximum Award: \$875,000.

We will reject any application that proposes a budget exceeding the Maximum Amount for a single budget period of 12 months. The Administrator of the Administration for Community Living may change the maximum amount through a notice published in the **Federal Register**.

Estimated Number of Awards: 1.

The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: 60 months.

We will reject any application that proposes a project period exceeding 60 months. The Administrator of the Administration for Community Living may change the project period through a notice published in the **Federal Register**.

III. Eligibility Information

1. *Eligible Applicants:* States; public or private agencies, including for-profit