DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
National Park Service

36 CFR Parts 1 and 2

[RIN 1024–AE30]

Withdrawal of the Proposed Rule To Revise General Provisions; Electronic Cigarettes

AGENCY: National Park Service; Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service withdraws the proposed rule that would revise the regulation that defines smoking to include the use of electronic cigarettes and other electronic nicotine delivery systems; and would allow a superintendent to close an area, building, structure, or facility to smoking when necessary to maintain public health and safety. The withdrawal is based upon a need to engage in additional interagency coordination and review of the proposal.

DATES: The January 6, 2017, proposed rule (82 FR 1647) is withdrawn as of January 18, 2017.

ADDRESSES: The withdrawal of the proposed rule, and comments, are available at www.regulations.gov by searching for Regulation Identifier Number (RIN) 1024–AE30.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sara Newman, Director, Office of Public Health, by telephone 202–513–7225, or email sara.newman@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This withdrawal does not affect Director’s Order #50D (Smoking Policy), originally issued in 2003 and then revised and reissued in 2009, and Policy Memorandum 15–03 (Use of Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems), issued on September 10, 2015, which remain in effect and are available online on the NPS Office of Policy Web site at http://www.nps.gov/applications/npspolicy/index.cfm by clicking on the drop-down menu and selecting “Smoking” from the list of policy subjects.

Michael Bean, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Office of the Secretary

42 CFR Part 2

[SAMHSA–4162–20]

RIN 0930–ZA07

Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder Patient Records

AGENCY: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: On Feb. 9, 2016, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) that proposed policy changes to update and modernize the Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records (42 CFR part 2). SAMHSA explained in the NPRM that these changes were intended to better align the regulations with advances in the U.S. health care delivery system while retaining important privacy protections for individuals seeking treatment for substance use disorders. The last substantive update to these regulations was in 1987. SAMHSA is issuing this Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SNPRM) to propose additional clarifications to the part 2 regulations as amended by the concurrently issued final rule. As noted in the final rule, 42 CFR part 2 Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder Patient Records, questions raised by commenters highlighted varying interpretations of the 1987 rule’s restrictions on lawful holders and their contractors and subcontractors’ use and disclosure of part 2-covered data for purposes of carrying out payment, health care operations, and other health care related activities. In consideration of this feedback and given the critical role that third-party payers, other lawful holders, and their contractors, subcontractors, and legal representatives play in the provision of health care services, SAMHSA is issuing this SNPRM to seek further comments on our proposals to address and help clarify these matters before establishing any appropriate restrictions on disclosures to contractors, subcontractors and legal representatives.

DATES: To be assured consideration, comments must be received at one of the addresses provided below, no later than 5 p.m. on February 17, 2017.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Regulatory Information Number (RIN) 0930–AA21, by any of the following methods:

   Electronically: Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the instructions for submitting comments.
   Regular, Express or Overnight Mail, or Hand Delivery or Courier: Written comments sent by hand delivery, or mailed by regular, express, or overnight mail must be sent to the following address ONLY: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, Attn: Danielle Tarino, SAMHSA, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 13E89A, Rockville, Maryland 20857.

Please allow sufficient time for mailed comments to be received before the close of the comment period.

Instructions: To avoid duplication, please submit only one copy of your comments by only one method. All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number or RIN for this rulemaking. All comments received will become a matter of public record and will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process and viewing public comments, see the “Request for Public Comments” heading of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to http://www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Danielle Tarino, SAMHSA, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 13E89A, Rockville, Maryland 20857, 240–276–2857, Email address: Danielle.Tarino@samhsa.hhs.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 9, 2016, SAMHSA published an NPRM in the Federal Register (81 FR 6987) proposing updates to regulations for the Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records (42 CFR part 2). These regulations implement title 42, section