

Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting.

Name: Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC).

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m., February 9, 2006. 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m., February 10, 2006.

Place: CDC Roybal Campus, Bldg 19, Auditorium B3, 1600 Clifton Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30333.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available.

Purpose: The Committee is charged with providing advice and guidance to the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; the Assistant Secretary for Health; the Director, CDC; and the Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID) regarding (1) the practice of hospital infection control; (2) strategies for surveillance, prevention, and control of infections (e.g., nosocomial infections), antimicrobial resistance, and related events in settings where healthcare is provided; and (3) periodic updating of guidelines and other policy statements regarding prevention of healthcare-associated infections and healthcare-related conditions.

Matters To Be Discussed: Agenda items will include informatics and healthcare-associated infections, updates on public reporting, updates on pandemic flu, updates on antimicrobial resistance, and updates on CDC activities of interest to the committee.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person For More Information: Harriette Lynch, Committee Management Specialist, HICPAC, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, NCID, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE, M/S A-07, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone (404)639-4035.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities for both CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: January 12, 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 & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Agency: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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) 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.

1. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** Coordination of Benefits between Part D Plans and Other Prescription Coverage Providers; **Form Number:** CMS 10171 (OMB#: 0938-0978); **Use:** Section 1860D-23 and 1860D-24 of the Social Security Act requires the Secretary to establish requirements for prescription drug plans to ensure the effective coordination between Part D plans, State pharmaceutical assistance programs and other payers. The requirements must relate to the following elements: (1) enrollment file sharing; (2) claims processing and payment; (3) claims reconciliation reports; (4) application of the protections against high out-of-pocket expenditures by tracking True out-of-pocket (TrOOP) expenditures; and (5) other processes that the Secretary determines. This information will be used by Part D plans, other health insurers or payers, pharmacies and CMS to coordinate prescription drug benefits provided to the Medicare beneficiary.; **Frequency:** Reporting—Monthly; **Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit, Federal, State, Local and or Tribal Government; **Number of Respondents:** 56,320; **Total Annual Responses:** 2,153,767,270; **Total Annual Hours:** 1,017,914.

2. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** Medicare Secondary Payer Information Collection and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 411.25, 489.2, and 489.20; **Form Number:** CMS 250-254 (OMB#: 0938-0214); **Use:** Medicare Secondary Payer Information (MSP) is essentially the same concept known in the private

insurance industry as coordination of benefits, and refers to those situations where Medicare does not have primary responsibility for paying the medical expenses of a Medicare beneficiary. Medicare Fiscal Intermediaries, Carriers, and now Part D plans, need information about primary payers in order to perform various tasks to detect and process MSP cases and make recoveries. MSP information is collected at various times and from numerous parties during a beneficiary's membership in the Medicare Program. Collecting MSP information in a timely manner means that claims are processed correctly the first time, decreasing the costs associated with adjusting claims and recovering mistaken payments.; **Frequency:** Reporting—On Occasion; **Affected Public:** Individuals or Households, Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions; **Number of Respondents:** 134,553,682; **Total Annual Responses:** 134,553,682; **Total Annual Hours:** 1,611,303.

3. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** External Quality Review for Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs); **Form Number:** CMS-R-305 (OMB#: 0938-0786); **Use:** The results of Medicare reviews, Medicare accreditation surveys, and Medicaid external quality reviews will be used by States in assessing the quality of care provided to Medicaid beneficiaries provided by MCOs and to provide information on the quality of the care provided to the general public upon request; **Frequency:** Annually; **Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit, State, Local and or Tribal Government; **Number of Respondents:** 542; **Total Annual Responses:** 14,266; **Total Annual Hours:** 648,877.

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/regulations/pr/>, 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.

To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be received at the address below, no later than 5 p.m. on March 21, 2006.

CMS, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Division of Regulations Development—C, Attention: Bonnie L Harkless, Room C4-26-05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

Dated: January 12, 2006.

Michelle Shortt,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Proposed Data Collection; Comment Request; National Survey of Primary Care Physicians' Recommendations and Practice for Breast, Cervical, Colorectal, and Lung Cancer Screening

SUMMARY: In compliance with the provisions of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of

the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, for opportunity for public comments on proposed data collection projects, the National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Cancer Institute (NCI) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval.

Proposed Collection: Title: National Survey of Primary Care Physicians' Recommendations and Practice for Breast, Cervical, Colorectal, and Lung Cancer Screening. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New. *Need and Use of Information Collection:* This study will obtain current, national data on primary care physicians' knowledge, attitudes, recommendations, and practices related to screening for breast, cervical, colorectal, and lung cancer. There have been substantial changes in

guidelines and/or technologies for these types of cancer screening in recent years. The data collected in this study will support and further NCI work in monitoring and evaluating providers' cancer control knowledge, attitudes, and practices and their impact on population health, as well as enable monitoring of progress toward major cancer control goals. Two questionnaires, one covering breast and cervical cancer screening and the other colorectal and lung cancer screening, will be administered by mail or telephone to a randomly-selected national sample of primary care physicians. *Frequency of Response:* One Time. *Affected Public:* Medical practices, clinics, or other health care organizations. *Type of Respondents:* Primary Care Physicians. *Burden estimates* are as follows:

Questionnaire	Estimated number of respondents	Estimated number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Estimated total annual burden hours
Breast and cervical cancer screening	1250	1	0.333	416.25
Colorectal and lung cancer screening	1250	1	0.333	416.25
Total				832.5

There are no Capital Costs to report. There are no Operating or Maintenance Costs to report.

Request for Comments: Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited on one or more of the following points: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Send comments to Carrie N. Klabunde, Ph.D., Epidemiologist, Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences, National Cancer Institute, Executive Plaza North 4005, 6130 Executive Boulevard, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7344 or call non-toll-free (301) 402-3362 or E-mail: klabundc@mail.nih.gov.

Comments Due Date: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if

received within 60 days of the date of this publication.

Dated: January 11, 2006.

Rachelle Ragland-Greene,

NCI Project Clearance Liaison, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

Laboratory of Pulmonary Pathobiology; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Use of In-Home Test Kits in Dust Mite Allergen Reduction

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Section 3507(a)(1)(D) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), the National Institutes of Health (NIH) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on October 21, 2004, pages

61853-61854, and allowed 60 days for public comment. No public comments were received although one person sent an e-mail expressing interest in the study and asking if she could participate. She was told this was a pilot study to be carried out in a specific location in North Carolina. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment. The National Institutes of Health may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Proposed Collection: Title: Use of In-home Test Kits in Dust Mite Allergen Reduction. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New. *Need and Use of Information Collection:* This request for OMB review and approval of the information collection is required by regulation 42 CFR part 65(a)(6). Asthmatics and others with dust mite allergies often implement strategies to avoid dust mite exposure, but have little objective evidence that their interventions are successful in reducing dust mite populations. Recently developed in-home test kits have introduced the capability to monitor the effectiveness of allergen reduction strategies by providing an affordable,