

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[CDC–2018–0025; Docket Number NIOSH–308]

#### Final National Occupational Research Agenda for Musculoskeletal Health

**AGENCY:** National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), announces the availability of the final *National Occupational Research Agenda for Musculoskeletal Health*.

**DATES:** The final document was published on October 26, 2018 on the CDC website.

**ADDRESSES:** The document may be obtained at the following link: <https://www.cdc.gov/nora/councils/mus/researchagenda.html>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Emily Novicki, M.A., M.P.H., (NORACoordinator@cdc.gov), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Mailstop E–20, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30329, phone (404) 498–2581 (not a toll free number).  
**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On March 22, 2018, NIOSH published a request for public review in the **Federal Register** [83 FR 12580] of the draft version of the *National Occupational Research Agenda for Musculoskeletal Health*. All comments received were reviewed and addressed where appropriate.

Dated: November 5, 2018.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

#### Privacy Act of 1974; Matching Program

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice of a New Matching Program.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with subsection (e)(12) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing notice of a new matching program between CMS and the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), “Verification of Eligibility for Minimum Essential Coverage Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act Through an Office of Personnel Management Health Benefit Plan.”

**DATES:** The deadline for comments on this notice is December 10, 2018. The re-established matching program will commence not sooner than 30 days after publication of this notice, provided no comments are received that warrant a change to this notice. The matching program will be conducted for an initial term of 18 months (from approximately January 2019 to July 2020) and within three months of expiration may be renewed for one additional year if the parties make no change to the matching program and certify that the program has been conducted in compliance with the matching agreement.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties may submit written comments on this notice, by mail or email, to the CMS Privacy Officer, Division of Security, Privacy Policy & Governance, Information Security & Privacy Group, Office of Information Technology, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Location: N1–14–56, 7500 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21244–1850, [Walter.Stone@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Walter.Stone@cms.hhs.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions about the matching program, you may contact Jack Lavelle, Senior Advisor, Marketplace Eligibility and Enrollment Group, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, CMS, 7501 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD 20814, (410) 786–0639, or by email at [Jack.Lavelle1@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Jack.Lavelle1@cms.hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552a) provides certain protections for individuals applying for and receiving federal benefits. The law governs the use of computer matching by federal agencies when records in a system of records (meaning, federal agency records about individuals retrieved by name or other personal identifier) are matched with records of other federal or non-federal agencies. The Privacy Act requires agencies involved in a matching program to:

1. Enter into a written agreement, which must be prepared in accordance

with the Privacy Act, approved by the Data Integrity Board of each source and recipient federal agency, provided to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and made available to the public, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(o), (u)(3)(A), and (u)(4).

2. Notify the individuals whose information will be used in the matching program that the information they provide is subject to verification through matching, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(o)(1)(D).

3. Verify match findings before suspending, terminating, reducing, or making a final denial of an individual’s benefits or payments or taking other adverse action against the individual, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(p).

4. Report the matching program to Congress and the OMB, in advance and annually, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(o) (2)(A)(i), (r), and (u)(3)(D).

5. Publish advance notice of the matching program in the **Federal Register** as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(12).

This matching program meets these requirements.

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#### Participating Agencies

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is the recipient agency, and the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) is the source agency.

#### Authority for Conducting the Matching Program

The matching program is authorized under 42 U.S.C. 18001, *et seq.*

#### Purpose(s)

The purpose of the matching program is to assist CMS in determining individuals’ eligibility for financial assistance in paying for private health insurance coverage. In this matching program, OPM provides CMS with data, on a monthly basis, verifying each active federal employee’s status as enrolled in or eligible for coverage under an OPM Health Benefit Plan, and an annual premium spread index file identifying the lowest premium available to a federal employee in each of 32 premium localities. CMS and state administering entities will use the OPM data to verify whether an applicant for or enrollee in private health insurance coverage under a qualified health plan through a federally-facilitated or state-

based health insurance exchange is eligible for coverage under an OPM health benefit plan. OPM health benefit plans provide minimum essential coverage (MEC), and eligibility for such plans usually precludes eligibility for financial assistance (including an advance payment of the premium tax credit (APTC) or cost sharing reduction (CSR), which are types of insurance affordability programs). The OPM data will be used by CMS to authenticate identity, determine eligibility, and determine the amount of any financial assistance.

### Categories of Individuals

The categories of individuals whose information is involved in the matching program are:

- Active federal employees; and
- consumers who apply for or are enrolled in a qualified health plan through an exchange established under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) and receive determinations of eligibility for insurance affordability programs.

### Categories of Records

The categories of records which OPM will provide to CMS are monthly status files consisting of identity records and minimum essential coverage period records, and an annual premium spread index file containing premium information based on locality. The data elements are as follows:

- Monthly status file:
  - a. Record type;
  - b. record number;
  - c. unique person ID;
  - d. social security number;
  - e. last name;
  - f. middle name;
  - g. first name;
  - h. last name suffix;
  - i. gender;
  - j. date of birth; and
  - k. health plan code.
- Annual Premium Spread Index File:
  - a. State;
  - b. plan;
  - c. option;
  - d. enrollment code;
  - e. current total bi-weekly premium;
  - f. future total bi-weekly premium;
  - g. future government pays bi-weekly premium;
  - h. future employee pays bi-weekly premium
    - i. future change in employee payment bi-weekly premium;
    - j. current total monthly premium;
    - k. future total monthly premium;
    - l. future government pays monthly premium;
    - m. future employee pays monthly premium; and

n. future change in employee payment monthly premium.

CMS will not send any data about individual applicants/enrollees to OPM in order to receive this data from OPM about active federal employees.

### System(s) of Records

The records used in this matching program will be disclosed to CMS from the OPM system of records identified below, and will be matched against applicant/enrollee records in the CMS system of records identified below:

#### A. System of Records Maintained by CMS

- CMS Health Insurance Exchanges System (HIX), System No. 09–70–0560, last published in full at 78 FR 63211 (Oct. 23, 2013), as amended at 83 FR 6591 (Feb. 14, 2018).

#### B. System of Records Maintained by OPM

- General Personnel Records (OPM/GOVT–1), 77 FR 73694 (Dec. 11, 2012). The disclosures to CMS will be made in accordance with routine use “rr.”

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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

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

**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 the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency’s functions, the accuracy of

the estimated burden, ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and 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 December 10, 2018.

**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\_submissions@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’ website 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](mailto:Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov).
3. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786–1326.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William Parham at (410) 786–4669.

**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*