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### Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Reinstatement with change; *Title of Information Collection:* Skilled Nursing Facility and Skilled Nursing Facility Complex Cost Report; *Use:* The primary function of the cost report is to implement the principles of cost reimbursement that require that SNFs maintain sufficient financial records and statistical data for proper determination of costs payable under the program. Specifically, CMS–2540–23 collects discrete data, previously reported in summary form, used in determining the cost weights for the SNF market basket and for payment adequacy analyses. SNFs and SNF health care complexes participating in the Medicare program submit these cost reports annually to report cost and statistical data used by CMS to determine reasonable costs. Essentially the methods of determining costs payable under Medicare involve making use of data available from the provider’s accounting records, as usually maintained, to arrive at equitable and proper payment for services to beneficiaries.; *Form Number:* CMS–2540–23 (OMB control number: 0938–0463); *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Private Sector, (Business or other for-profits), Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 14,189; *Total Annual Responses:* 14,189; *Total Annual Hours:* 2,866,178. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Luann Piccione at 410–786–5423.)

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Essential Health Benefits Benchmark Plans; *Use:* On March 23, 2010, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA; Pub. L. 111–148) was signed into law, and on

March 30, 2010, the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111–152) was signed into law. The two laws implement various health insurance policies, including the essential health benefits (EHB). Beginning in 2014, all non-grandfathered health plans in the individual and small group market must cover EHB, as defined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

In the final rule entitled *HHS Notice of Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2023* (2023 Payment Notice; CMS–9911–F),<sup>2</sup> we repealed the ability for States to permit between category substitution of the EHBs at 45 CFR 156.115. Thus, we revise this Supporting Statement to remove any burden associated with States opting to permit between category substitution of the EHBs and remove the form Essential Health Benefits (EHB) State Substitution Notification (Appendix F) from this collection.

For annual reporting of state mandates, in the final rule entitled *HHS Notice of Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2021* (2021 Payment Notice; CMS–9916–F),<sup>3</sup> we finalized amendments to § 156.111(d) and adding new § 156.111(f) to require states to annually notify HHS in a format and manner specified by HHS, and by a date determined by HHS, of any state-required benefits applicable to QHPs in the individual and/or small group market that are considered to be “in addition to EHB” in accordance with § 155.170(a)(3).

In the final rule entitled *HHS Notice of Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2023* (2023 Payment Notice; CMS–9911–F), we repealed the annual reporting requirement at § 156.111(d) and (f), including revising the section heading to § 156.111 to instead read, “State selection of EHB benchmark plan for PYs beginning on or after January 1, 2020.” Thus, we have revised this Supporting Statement to reflect that States are no longer required to annually notify HHS of any State-required benefits applicable to QHPs in the individual or small group market that are considered to be “in addition to EHB” or any benefits the State has identified as not in addition to EHB and not subject to defrayal. We also remove the forms State Annual Report on State-Required Benefits (Appendix G) and State Certification of Annual Report on State-Required Benefits (Appendix H) from this collection.

This information collection also previously included estimates for the burden on issuers to report their intent to offer SADPs. We no longer collect this information from issuers; we revise

this Supporting Statement to remove the burden associated with this report. In this package, we make minimum required revisions to reflect only the regulatory changes that have occurred since it was last authorized in 2021. *Form Number:* CMS–10448 (OMB control number: 0938–1174); *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 10; *Number of Responses:* 10; *Total Annual Hours:* 470. (For questions regarding this collection, contact Ken Buerger at 410–786–1190).

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**William N. Parham, III,**  
*Director, Paperwork Reduction Staff, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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#### Medicaid and Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Generic Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On May 28, 2010, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) guidance related to the “generic” clearance process. Generally, this is an expedited process by which agencies may obtain OMB’s approval of collection of information requests that are “usually voluntary, low-burden, and uncontroversial collections,” do not raise any substantive or policy issues, and do not require policy or methodological review. The process requires the submission of an overarching plan that defines the scope of the individual collections that would fall under its umbrella. On October 23, 2011, OMB approved our initial request to use the generic clearance process under control number 0938–1148 (CMS–10398). It was last approved on April 26, 2021, via the standard PRA process which included the publication of 60- and 30-day **Federal Register** notices. The scope of the April 2021 umbrella accounts for Medicaid and CHIP State plan amendments, waivers, demonstrations, and reporting. This

**Federal Register** notice seeks public comment on one or more of our collection of information requests that we believe are generic and fall within the scope of the umbrella. Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding our burden estimates 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 must be received by October 11, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** When commenting, please reference the applicable form number (see below) and the OMB control number (0938–1148). To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be submitted in any one of the following ways:

1. *Electronically.* You may send 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) that are 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: CMS–10398 (#64)/OMB control number: 0938–1148, Room C4–26–05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244–1850.

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, please access the CMS PRA website by copying and pasting the following web address into your web browser: <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRA-Listing>

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Following is a summary of the use and burden associated with the subject information collection(s). More detailed information can be found in the collection's supporting statement and associated materials (see **ADDRESSES**).

### Generic Information Collection

1. *Title of Information Collection:* Model Application Template and Instructions for State Child Health Plan Under Title XXI of the Social Security Act, State Children's Health Insurance Program; *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Use:* This 2023 iteration proposes to revise the State plan template by adding a new section 6.5-Vaccine coverage, which consists of three new assurances to the state plan template to report compliance with the coverage requirements for age-appropriate vaccines. The revisions are intended to conform to statutory amendments made by section 11405(b)(1) of the Inflation Reduction Act. *Form Number:* CMS–10398 (#34) (OMB control number: 0938–1148); *Frequency:* Once; *Affected Public:* State, local, or Tribal governments; *Number of Respondents:* 40; *Total Annual Responses:* 40; *Total Annual Hours:* 160. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact: Chanelle Parkar at (667)-290–9798.)

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### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Administration for Community Living

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Public Comment Request; of the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR) Grantee Annual Performance Reporting (APR) and Final Report Forms; OMB No.: 0985–0050

**AGENCY:** Administration for Community Living, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Administration for Community Living (ACL) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on the proposed collection of information listed above. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish a notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the

notice. This IC Extension solicits comments on the information collection requirements relating to the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR) Grantee Annual Performance Reporting (APR) and Final Report Forms OMB Control Number 0985–0050.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information must be submitted electronically by 11:59 p.m. (EST) or postmarked by November 27, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to: [Myrial.Earl@acl.hhs.gov](mailto:Myrial.Earl@acl.hhs.gov). Submit written comments on the collection of information to Administration for Community Living, 330 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20201, Attention: Myrial Earl.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Earl Myrial at [Myrial.Earl@acl.hhs.gov](mailto:Myrial.Earl@acl.hhs.gov), Administration for Community Living or (202) 795–7341.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** 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. “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. The PRA requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval.

To comply with this requirement, ACL is publishing a notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

With respect to the following collection of information, ACL invites comments on our burden estimates or any other aspect of this collection of information, including: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of ACL's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of ACL's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine burden estimates; (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 respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques