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The Director, Office of Strategic
Business Initiatives, Office of the Chief
Operating Officer, Centers for Disease
Control and Prevention, has been
delegated the authority to sign **Federal
Register** notices pertaining to
announcements of meetings and other
committee management activities, for
both the Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention and the Agency for Toxic
Substances and Disease Registry.

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Initiatives, Office of the Chief Operating
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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Medicare & Medicaid
Services**

[CMS-1815-N]

**Medicare Program; Public Meeting for
New Revisions to the Healthcare
Common Procedure Coding System
(HCPCS) Coding—November 28–30,
2023**

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the
dates and times of the virtual Healthcare
Common Procedure Coding System
(HCPCS) public meeting to be held
November 28, 2023 through November
30, 2023 to discuss our preliminary
coding, Medicare benefit category, and
payment determinations for new
revisions to the HCPCS Level II code set
for non-drug and non-biological
products, as well as how to register for
those meetings.

DATES: *Virtual Meeting Dates:* Tuesday,
November 28, 2023, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.,
eastern standard time (EST);
Wednesday, November 29, 2023, 9 a.m.
to 5 p.m., EST; and Thursday,
November 30, 2023, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.,
EST.

ADDRESSES: *Virtual Meeting Location:*
The HCPCS public meetings will be
held virtually via Zoom only.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On December 21, 2000, Congress
enacted the Medicare, Medicaid, and
the Children's Health Insurance
Program (CHIP) Benefits Improvement
and Protection Act of 2000 (BIPA) (Pub.
L. 106-554). Section 531(b) of BIPA
mandated that the Secretary establish
procedures that permit public
consultation for coding and payment
determinations for new durable medical
equipment (DME) under Medicare Part
B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act
(the Act). In the November 23, 2001
Federal Register (66 FR 58743), we
published a notice providing
information regarding the establishment
of the annual public meeting process for
DME.

In 2020, we implemented changes to
our HCPCS coding procedures,
including the establishment of quarterly
coding cycles for drugs and biological
products and biannual coding cycles for
non-drug and non-biological items and
services.

In the December 28, 2021 **Federal
Register** (86 FR 73860), we published a
final rule that established procedures for
making Medicare benefit category and
payment determinations for new items
and services that are DME, prosthetic
devices, orthotics and prosthetics,
therapeutic shoes and inserts, surgical
dressings, or splints, casts, and other
devices used for reductions of fractures
and dislocations under Medicare Part B.

II. Public Meeting Agendas

Prior to registering to attend a virtual
public meeting, all potential
participants and other stakeholders are
advised to review the public meeting
agendas at [https://www.cms.gov/
Medicare/Coding/MedHCPCSGenInfo/
HCPCSPublicMeetings](https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/MedHCPCSGenInfo/HCPCSPublicMeetings) which identify
our preliminary coding, Medicare
benefit category, and payment
determinations, and the date each item
will be discussed. In establishing the
public meeting agendas, we may group
multiple, related code applications
under the same agenda item.

III. Virtual Meeting Registration

The November 28, 2023 through
November 30, 2023 HCPCS public
meetings will be virtual and available
for remote audio attendance and
participation only via Zoom. The
registration link will be posted in the
Guidelines for Participation in HCPCS
Public Meetings document on the CMS

website at [https://www.cms.gov/
Medicare/Coding/MedHCPCSGenInfo/
HCPCSPublicMeetings](https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/MedHCPCSGenInfo/HCPCSPublicMeetings) and in an
announcement on the HCPCS General
Information page at [https://
www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/
MedHCPCSGenInfo](https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/MedHCPCSGenInfo). The same website
also contains detailed information on
how attendees can join the virtual
public meetings using Zoom, including
dial-in information. All individuals who
plan to speak (15 or 5 minutes) at the
virtual public meetings must register to
attend. All other attendees can access
the virtual public meeting through the
Zoom link which will be posted on the
HCPCS website after the speaker
registration closes on Tuesday,
November 14, 2023. Attendees can
attend more than one day of the public
meeting.

A. Required Information for Registration

The following information must be
provided when registering to be a
speaker:

- Name;
- Company name (if applicable);
- Email address;
- Any special assistance requests
(will be considered if the registration is
submitted by 5 p.m. EST, Tuesday,
November 14, 2023);
- Whether the registrant is a primary
speaker or a 5-minute speaker for an
agenda item;
- Agenda item and Application
number;
- Whether the primary speaker will
use a PowerPoint presentation; and
- Whether the registrant will
participate in a practice Zoom session,
to be held on Monday, November 27,
2023.

B. Speakers and Attendees

1. Primary Speakers

Each applicant that submitted a
HCPCS code application that will be
discussed at the virtual public meetings
is permitted to designate a primary
speaker. Fifteen minutes is the total
time interval for a primary speaker per
agenda item. The deadline for primary
speakers to register and submit any
supporting PowerPoint presentation is 5
p.m., EST, Tuesday, November 14, 2023.
We will accept PowerPoint
presentations if those materials are
emailed to: HCPCS@cms.hhs.gov by the
stated deadline. Due to the timeframe
needed for the planning and
coordination of the HCPCS virtual
public meetings, materials that are not
submitted in accordance with this
deadline cannot be accommodated.

All PowerPoint presentation materials
must not exceed 10 slides and should be

in PowerPoint presentation format, not PDF. We will not play videos or animations during the public meeting sessions and request the speakers to exclude these materials from their PowerPoint presentation and instead submit any relevant video or animation materials along with the written comments. We request the speakers to ensure that the presentation does not include any inappropriate content before submission.

Every primary speaker must declare at the beginning of their presentation at the meeting, as well as in their written summary, whether they have any financial involvement with the manufacturer of the item that is the subject of the HCPCS application that the primary speaker presented, or any competitors of that manufacturer with respect to the item. This includes any payment, salary, remuneration, or benefit provided to that speaker by the applicant.

2. 5-Minute Speakers

Any individual related to the public meeting agenda item, including but not limited to, an employee, stakeholder, competitor, insurer, public consumer, etc., may register and speak as a 5-minute speaker. The deadline for registering to be a 5-minute speaker is 5 p.m., EST, Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

Every 5-minute speaker must declare at the beginning of their presentation at the meeting, as well as in their written summary, whether they have any financial involvement with the manufacturer of the item that is the subject of the HCPCS code application or agenda item that the 5-minute speaker presented, or any competitors of that manufacturer with respect to the item. This includes any payment, salary, remuneration, or benefit provided to that speaker by the applicant. We will not accept any other written materials, outside of the written comments, from a 5-minute speaker.

3. All Other Attendees

All individuals who plan to attend the virtual public meetings to listen and do not plan to speak, may access the virtual public meeting using the Zoom link posted on the HCPCS website at <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/MedHCPCSGenInfo> after the speaker registration closes on Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

Individuals who require special assistance must register and request special assistance services by 5 p.m. EST, Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

IV. Written Comments

The primary and 5-minute speaker(s) must email a brief, written summary (one paragraph) of their comments and conclusions. Written comments from anyone, including the primary and 5-minute speaker(s), will only be accepted when emailed to: HCPCS@cms.hhs.gov before 5 p.m., EST on the date of the virtual public meeting at which the HCPCS code application that is the subject of the comments is discussed.

V. Additional Information

The HCPCS section of the CMS website also *includes* details regarding the public meeting process for new revisions to the HCPCS code set, including information on how to join the meeting remotely, and guidelines for an effective presentation. The HCPCS section of the CMS website also contains a document titled “Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Level II Coding Procedures,” which is a description of the HCPCS coding process, including a detailed explanation of the procedures CMS uses to make HCPCS coding determinations.

When CMS refers to HCPCS code or HCPCS coding application above, CMS may also be referring to circumstances when a HCPCS code has already been issued, but a Medicare benefit category and/or payment has not been determined. CMS is working diligently to address Medicare benefit category and payment determinations for new items and services that may be DME, prosthetic devices, orthotics and prosthetics, therapeutic shoes and inserts, surgical dressings, or splints, casts, and other devices used for reductions of fractures and dislocations under Medicare Part B. Please check the CMS website listed above for the final agenda.

VI. Collection of Information Requirements

This document does not impose information collection requirements, that is, reporting, recordkeeping or third-party disclosure requirements. Consequently, there is no need for review by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

The Administrator of CMS, Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, having reviewed and approved this document, authorizes Chyana Woodyard, who is the Federal Register Liaison, to electronically sign

this document for purposes of publication in the **Federal Register**.

Chyana Woodyard,

Federal Register Liaison, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Community Living

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Public Comment Request; ACL Generic for Administration on Aging Formula Grant Programs OMB Control Number 0985–New

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

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 new information collection solicits comments on the information collection requirements relating to the ACL Generic for Administration on Aging Formula Grant Programs.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information must be submitted electronically by 11:59 p.m. (EST) or postmarked by December 18, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to: Adam Mosey, Adam.Mosey@acl.hhs.gov. Submit written comments on the collection of information to Administration for Community Living, 330 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20201, Attention: Adam Mosey.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Adam Mosey (202) 795–7631 or Adam.Mosey@acl.hhs.gov.

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