

advance will not be permitted to enter the building and will be unable to attend the meeting. We note that the public may not enter the CMS building earlier than 8:15 a.m. E.D.T. (45 minutes before the convening of the meeting).

Security measures include the following:

- Presentation of government-issued photographic identification to the Federal Protective Service or Guard Service personnel. Persons without proper identification may be denied access to the building.
- Interior and exterior inspection of vehicles (this includes engine and trunk inspection) at the entrance to the grounds. Parking permits and instructions will be issued after the vehicle inspection.
- Passing through a metal detector and inspection of items brought into the building. We note that all items brought to CMS, whether personal or for the purpose of demonstration or to support a demonstration, are subject to inspection. We cannot assume responsibility for coordinating the receipt, transfer, transport, storage, set-up, safety, or timely arrival of any personal belongings or items used for demonstration or to support a demonstration.

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 Vanessa Garcia, who is the **Federal Register Liaison**, to electronically sign this document for purposes of publication in the **Federal Register**.

Vanessa Garcia,

Federal Register Liaison, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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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, Health and Human 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 60 days for public comment on the proposed action. Interested persons are invited to send 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 June 17, 2024.

ADDRESSES: When commenting, please reference the document identifier or OMB control number. 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: Document Identifier/OMB Control Number: _____, 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:

Contents

This notice sets out a summary of the use and burden associated with the following information collections. More detailed information can be found in each collection's supporting statement and associated materials (see **ADDRESSES**).

CMS-10573 Reform of Requirements for Long-Term Care Facilities

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. 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 requires federal agencies to publish a 60-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.

Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Reform of Requirements for Long-Term Care Facilities; *Use:* The purpose of this package is to request Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the collection of information requirements for the requirements of participation for Long-Term Care (LTC) facilities that must be met in order to participate in the Medicare and Medicaid Programs. LTC facilities include skilled nursing facilities (SNFs) as defined in section 1819(a) of the Social Security Act in the Medicare program and nursing facilities (NFs) as defined in 1919(a) of the Act in the

Medicaid program. SNFs and NFs provide skilled nursing care and related services for residents who require medical or nursing care, or rehabilitation services for the rehabilitation of injured, disabled, or sick persons. In addition, NFs provide health-related care and services to individuals who because of their mental or physical condition require care and services (above the level of room and board) which can be made available to them only through institutional facilities, and is not primarily for the care and treatment of mental diseases. SNFs and NFs must care for their residents in such a manner and in such an environment as will promote maintenance or enhancement of the quality of life of each resident and must provide to residents services to attain or maintain the highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being of each resident, in accordance with a written plan of care, which describes the medical, nursing, and psychosocial needs of the resident and how such needs will be met and is updated periodically.

The primary users of this information will be State agency surveyors, CMS, and the LTC facilities for the purposes of ensuring compliance with Medicare and Medicaid requirements as well as ensuring the quality of care provided to LTC facility residents. The ICs specified in the regulations may be used as a basis for determining whether a LTC is meeting the requirements to participate in the Medicare program. In addition, the information collected for purposes of ensuring compliance may be used to inform the data provided on CMS' Nursing Home Compare website and as such used by the public in considering nursing home selections for services.

We are revising this information collection request to include new requirements proposed at 42 CFR 483.35 and 483.71. The proposed requirements were discussed in detail in the proposed rule that published September 6, 2023 (88 FR 61352). The discussion related to proposed requirements and the associated information collection burden begins on page 61391. We are not making any other revisions to the information collection request at this time.

Form Number: CMS-10573 (OMB control number: 0938-1363); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* Private Sector; Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 15,600; *Total Annual Responses:* 18,687,318 *Total Annual Hours:* 30,309,662. (For policy questions

regarding this collection contact Diane Corning at 410-786-8486.)

William N. Parham, III

Director, Division of Information Collections and Regulatory Impacts, 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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Medicare Program; Meeting Announcement for the Medicare Advisory Panel on Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory Tests, July 25–26, 2024

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the public meeting dates for the Medicare Advisory Panel on Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory Tests (the Panel) on Thursday, July 25, 2024 and Friday, July 26, 2024. The purpose of the Panel is to advise the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services on issues related to clinical diagnostic laboratory tests.

DATES:

Meeting Dates: The hybrid (in-person and virtual) meeting of the Panel is scheduled for Thursday, July 25, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time (E.D.T.) and Friday, July 26, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., E.D.T. The Panel is also expected to participate virtually in the Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule (CLFS) Annual Public Meeting for Calendar Year (CY) 2025 on Tuesday, June 25, 2024, to gather information and ask questions to presenters. Notice of the CLFS Annual Public Meeting for CY 2025 is published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**.

Deadline for Meeting Registration: All stand-by speakers for the Panel meeting must register electronically to our CDLT Panel dedicated email box, CDLTPanel@cms.hhs.gov by June 1, 2024.

In-Person Attendance: If attending the meeting in person at the CMS Headquarters, registration is required and must be completed by May 30, 2025. For more information on how to register as an in-person attendee, see the "Registration Instructions" (section IV of this notice).

Virtual Attendee Only: The public may also view this meeting via webinar or listen-only via teleconference. If attending the meeting via webinar, or listen-only via teleconference, registration is not required for non-speakers.

Webinar and Teleconference Meeting Information: Teleconference dial-in instructions, and related webinar details will be posted on the meeting agenda, which will be available on the CMS website approximately 2 weeks prior to the meeting at <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/FACA/AdvisoryPanelonClinicalDiagnosticLaboratoryTests.html>. A preliminary agenda is described in section II of this notice.

ADDRESSES: The Panel meeting will be held *virtually* and *in-person* at the campus of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Central Building, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The CLFS Policy Team via email, CDLTPanel@cms.hhs.gov; or Rasheeda Arthur, (410) 786-3434. The CMS Press Office, for press inquiries, (202) 690-6145.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Medicare Advisory Panel on Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory Tests (CDLTs) (the Panel) is authorized by section 1834A(f)(1) of the Social Security Act (the Act) (42 U.S.C. 1395m-1), as established by section 216(a) of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (PAMA) (Pub. L. 113-93), enacted on April 1, 2014. The Panel is subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. appendix 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory panels.

Section 1834A(f)(1) of the Act directs the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) to consult with an expert outside advisory panel established by the Secretary, composed of an appropriate selection of individuals with expertise in issues related to clinical diagnostic laboratory tests, which may include the development, validation, performance, and application of such tests. Such individuals may include molecular pathologists, researchers, and individuals with expertise in laboratory science or health economics.

The Panel will provide input and recommendations to the Secretary and the Administrator of the Centers for