

HIPAA Accredited Standards Committee X12 270/271 health care eligibility inquiries (270) and responses (271) on a real-time basis. HETS allows health care providers or their designees to check Medicare beneficiary eligibility data in real-time. They use HETS to prepare accurate Medicare claims, determine beneficiary liability, or check eligibility for specific services. HETS allows users to submit HIPAA compliant 270 eligibility request over a secure connection and receive 271 responses in real-time. In creating the HETS system, Federal law requires that CMS take precautions to minimize the security risk to Federal information systems. Accordingly, CMS requires that trading partners who wish to connect to the HETS 270/271 system via the CMS Extranet and/or internet to agree to the HETS Rules of Behavior and the HETS Authorized Representative Roles and Responsibilities terms as a condition of receiving Medicare eligibility information. Applicants complete the entire Trading Partner Agreement form to indicate agreement with CMS trading partner terms and provide sufficient information to establish connectivity to the service and assure that those entities that access the Medicare eligibility information are aware of applicable provisions and penalties for the misuse of information.

CMS uses the Trading Partner Agreement Form to capture certain information whereby a person certifies that they are fully aware of all penalties related to the use of PHI and their access to this data from the HETS application. The information is an attestation by the authorized representative of an entity that wishes to access the Medicare eligibility information to conduct real-time eligibility transactions. The authorized representative is a person responsible for business decisions on behalf of the Organization who is submitting the access request. The data captured includes the authorized representative's name, title contact number and the name of the submitting entity. Other data captured is the submitter's National Provider Identifier, business name, billing address, physical address, and telephone number.

The Trading Partner Agreement Form is also used by CMS to capture certain information whereby a person identifies the particular connectivity protocol that they will use to connect to CMS and specific organization information which is reviewed and authorized prior to the access being granted. *Form Number:* CMS-10157 (OMB control number: 0938-0960); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Private Sector, State, Local, or Tribal Governments, Federal

Government, Business or other for-profits, Not-for-profits institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 1,000; *Total Annual Responses:* 1,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 250. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact William Mooney at 410-786-1956).

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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 September 24, 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:

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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-10116 Medicare Program: Conditions for Payment of Power Mobility Devices, Including Power Wheelchairs and Power-Operated Vehicles

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 Collections

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently

approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Program: Conditions for Payment of Power Mobility Devices, including Power Wheelchairs and Power-Operated Vehicles; *Use:* We are renewing our request for approval for the collection requirements associated with the final rule, CMS-3017-F (71 FR 17021), which published on April 5, 2006, and required a face-to-face examination of the beneficiary by the physician or treating practitioner, a written prescription, and receipt of pertinent parts of the medical record by the supplier within 45 days after the face-to-face examination that the durable medical equipment (DME) suppliers maintain in their records and make available to CMS and its agents upon request. *Form Number:* CMS-10116 (OMB control number: 0938-0971); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profits; *Number of Respondents:* 46,990; *Number of Responses:* 46,990; *Total Annual Hours:* 10,964. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Rachel Katonak at 410-786-2118).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Child Support Annual Data Report and Instructions (OCSS-157) (Office of Management and Budget #: 0970-0177)

AGENCY: Office of Child Support Services; Administration for Children and Families; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Child Support Services (OCSS), is requesting the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the Child Support Annual Data Report and Instructions (OCSS-157), with minor revisions, for an additional three years. The current OMB approval expires on March 31, 2025.

DATES: *Comments due* September 24, 2024. In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ACF is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above.

ADDRESSES: You can obtain copies of the proposed collection of information and

submit comments by emailing infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. Identify all requests by the title of the information collection.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description: States must annually provide OCSS with information on their case inventory, performance status, and accomplishments in the following areas: paternity establishment; services requested and provided; medical support; collections due and distributed; staff; program expenditures; non-cooperation and good cause; and administrative enforcement. The information collected from the OCSS-157 allows OCSS to (1) report child support activities to Congress as required by law; (2) calculate states' incentive measures for performance and assess performance indicators used in the program; and (3) help OCSS monitor and evaluate state child support programs. OCSS made minor revisions to the instructions and report to make them easier for the respondents to understand and complete. Additionally, OCSS updated the name of the federal child support office from the Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) to the Office of Child Support Services (OCSS).

Respondents: State Child Support Agencies

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Information collection instrument	Total number of annual respondents	Number of annual responses per respondent	Average annual burden hour per response	Annual burden hours
OCSS Annual Data Report and Instructions (OCSS-157)	54	1	7	378

Comments: The Department specifically requests comments on:

- (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper 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) 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.

Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 652(a)and(g)and 669

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Testing Identified Elements for Success in Fatherhood Programs (0970-0622)

AGENCY: Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, Administration for

Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE) launched the Testing Identified Elements for Success in Fatherhood Programs (Fatherhood TIES) project in 2022. Using a mix of research methods, this study will test "core components" of fatherhood programs to identify program elements that are effective at improving the lives of fathers who participate in fatherhood programs and their children. The study includes an implementation and an impact study. A request for initial data collection materials was approved by the Office of Management and Budget in December 2023. This notice provides information