

reduce the level of misspent Medicaid funds as a result of erroneous eligibility determinations. HCFA uses this information to identify problem areas and plan corrective action initiatives to reduce erroneous expenditures.

*Frequency:* Monthly; *Affected Public:* State, Local or Tribal Government; *Number of Respondents:* 51; *Total Annual Responses:* 19,141; *Total Annual Hours:* 262,072.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, or to obtain the supporting statement and any related forms, E-mail your request, including your address and phone number, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 60 days of this notice directly to the HCFA Paperwork Clearance Officer designated at the following address: HCFA, Office of Information Services, Information Technology Investment Management Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards, Attention: John Rudolph, Room C2-26-17, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Health Care Financing Administration**

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**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission For OMB Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions;

(2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

*Type of Information Collection Request:* Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has been expired; *Title of Information Collection:* Medicare Qualification Statement for Federal Employees and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 406.15; *Form No.:* HCFA-565 (OMB #0938-0501); *Use:* The HCFA-565 is completed by an individual filing for hospital insurance (HI) benefits (Part A) based upon their federal employment. This information is necessary to determine if HCFA/SSA can use federal employment prior to 1983 to qualify for free Part A. The data is passed to the HI master record, the Enrollment Data Base (EDB). An HI record showing appropriate entitlement is established an if applicable, a Medicare card is issued.; *Frequency:* Other (one time only); *Affected Public:* Individuals or Households, and Federal Government; *Number of Respondents:* 4,300; *Total Annual Responses:* 4,300; *Total Annual Hours:* 717.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB desk officer: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503.

Dated: November 12, 1997.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**National Institute on Drug Abuse; Notice of Closed Meetings**

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) Initial Review Group and Special Emphasis Panel meetings.

*Purpose/Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications and contract proposals.

*Name of Committee:* AIDS Behavioral Research Subcommittee.

*Date:* December 2-3, 1997.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m.

*Place:* Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Mary C. Custer, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, Office of Extramural Program Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10-22, Telephone (301) 443-2620.

*Name of Committee:* NIDA Special Emphasis Panel (Contract Review—"Quantitative Analysis of and Method Development for Cannabinoids, Endogenous Compounds, and Other Drugs of Abuse and Related Compounds by Radioimmunoassay or Related Methods").

*Date:* December 19, 1997.

*Time:* 10:30 a.m.

*Place:* Office of Extramural Program Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10-42, Rockville, MD 20857 (Telephone Conference).

*Contact Person:* Mr. Eric Zatman, Contract Review Specialist, Office of Extramural Program Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10-42, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone (301) 443-1644.

The meetings will be closed in accordance with provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. The applications and/or proposals and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Numbers: 93.277, Drug Abuse Scientist Development, Research Scientist Development, and Research Scientist Awards; 93.278, Drug Abuse National Research Service Awards for Research Training; 93.279, Drug Abuse Research Programs, National Institutes of Health)

Dated: November 13, 1997.

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