

• What other types of grocery marketing practices—such as category management—may raise antitrust concern? What are those marketing practices, and under what circumstances might they pose antitrust issues?

The Commission welcomes suggestions for other questions that should be addressed as well.

By direction of the Commission.

**Donald S. Clark,**

*Secretary.*

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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.

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 expired;

#### *Title of Information Collection:*

Medicare Uniform Institutional Provider Bill and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 424.5;

*Form No.:* HCFA-1450 (OMB# 0938-0279);

*Use:* This standardized form is used in the Medicare/Medicaid program to apply for reimbursement for covered services by all providers that accept Medicare/Medicaid assigned claims. It reduces cost and administrative burden

associated with claims since only one reimbursement coding system is used and maintained.

*Frequency:* On occasion;

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, and State, Local or Tribal Government;

*Number of Respondents:* 47,113;

*Total Annual Responses:* 149,609,549;

*Total Annual Hours:* 1,960,991.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to [Paperwork@hcfa.gov](mailto: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, DC 20503.

Dated: March 14, 2000.

**John P. Burke III,**

*Manager, HCFA Office of Information Services, Security and Standards Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards.*

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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

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, has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following proposal for the collection of information. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the 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:* Extension of a currently approved collection;

#### *Title of Information Collection:*

Analysis of Malpractice Premium Data;

*Form No.:* HCFA-R-143 (OMB# 0938-0575);

*Use:* This form is used for computing the Medicare physician fee schedule Malpractice Geographic Practice Cost Index (MGPCI) and the Medicare Economic Index (MEI). The data collected will be used to update the MGPCI and the new resource-based malpractice relative value units (MRVUs) component of the physician fee schedule. The malpractice data are critical to the accuracy of the Medicare physician fee schedule.;

*Frequency:* Other: every 3 years;

*Affected Public:* State, Local or Tribal Gov., Business or other for-profit, and Not-for-profit institutions;

*Number of Respondents:* 50;

*Total Annual Responses:* 50;

*Total Annual Hours:* 150.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's WEB SITE ADDRESS at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address and phone number, to [Paperwork@hcfa.gov](mailto: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 designated at the following address: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 8, 2000.

**John P. Burke III,**

*HCFA Reports Clearance Officer, HCFA, Office of Information Services, Security and Standards Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4565-N-09]

#### Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Utility Allowance Adjustments

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** Comments Due Date: May 23, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, L'Enfant Building, Room 8202, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-5221 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Willie Spearmon, Multifamily Housing, Office of Business Products, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20410, telephone number (202) 708-2866 (this is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* Utility Allowance Adjustments.

*OMB Control Number, if applicable:* 2502-0352.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* When approval of a utility rate change would result in a cumulative increase of 10

percent or more in the most recently approved utility allowances for subsidized properties, the project owner must advise the Secretary and request new utility allowances. HUD uses this information to ensure that the utility allowances are appropriate for each unit type at the subsidized properties which provide utility allowances for its residents.

*Agency form numbers, if applicable:* None.

*Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:* The estimated number of respondents are 1,200, the frequency of responses is 1 a year, the estimated hours per response is 30 minutes per response, and the estimated annual hour burden is 600.

*Status of the proposed information collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C., Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: March 17, 2000.

**William C. Apgar,**

*Assistant Secretary for Housing, Federal Housing Commissioner.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4561-N-14]

### Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Study of the Effectiveness of the Milwaukee Lead Hazard Control Ordinance

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** Comments Due Date: April 24, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval number should be sent to: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and

Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, e-mail Wayne\_Eddins@HUD.gov; telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of the proposed forms and other available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department has submitted the proposal for the collection of information, as described below, to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The Notice lists the following information: (1) The title of the information collection proposal; (2) the office of the agency to collect the information; (3) the OMB approval number, if applicable; (4) the description of the need for the information and its proposed use; (5) the agency form number, if applicable; (6) what members of the public will be affected by the proposal; (7) how frequently information submissions will be required; (8) an estimate of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information submission including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response; (9) whether the proposal is new, an extension, reinstatement, or revision of an information collection requirement; and (10) the names and telephone numbers of an agency official familiar with the proposal and of the OMB Desk Officer for the Department.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* A Study of the Effectiveness of the Milwaukee Lead Hazard Control Ordinance.

*OMB Control Number:* 2539-XXXX.

*Description of the Need for the Information and Its Proposed Use:* This study will assess the effectiveness of a city of Milwaukee ordinance requiring owners pre-1950 rental housing in two neighborhoods with high rates of childhood lead poisoning to conduct specified low cost lead hazard control treatments. Children born into treated units will be followed for 2 years to assess the efficacy of the interventions in preventing overexposure to lead. This information will be useful for determining the primary prevention effectiveness of these interventions and for other municipalities that are contemplating similar legislation. Residents of the two "treatment" neighborhoods and two control