

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Notice of Award of a Sole-Source Cooperative Agreement To Fund Mali Ministry of Health

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), located within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), announces the award of approximately \$600,000 with an expected total funding of approximately \$3,000,000 over a 5-year period, to Mali Ministry of Health. This award will strengthen Mali's health system capacities to prevent, detect, and respond to infectious disease outbreaks and other public health emergencies.

DATES: The period for this award will be September 30, 2024, through September 29, 2029.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shana Eatman, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Rd., Atlanta, GA Telephone: 770-488-3933, E-Mail: DGHPNOFOs@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The sole-source award will build upon the work awarded under CDC-RFA-GH15-1627 *Protecting and Improving Public Health Globally: Building and Strengthening Public Health Impact, Systems, Capacity, and Security*.

Mali Ministry of Health is in a unique position to conduct this work, as it will support the training of a cadre of public health workers in field epidemiology and emergency preparedness and response. Surveillance and response capacities will be bolstered through improved laboratory point of care diagnostics and the integration of epidemiologic and laboratory data.

Summary of the Award

Recipient: Mali Ministry of Health.

Purpose of the Award: The purpose of this award is to improve core Global Health Security Agenda (GHS) priorities in disease surveillance, laboratory diagnostics, and emergency preparedness and response and strengthen the public health workforce in field epidemiology, anti-microbial resistance, and emergency preparedness and response.

Amount of Award: \$600,000 in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2024 funds, with a total estimated \$3,000,000 for the 5-year period of performance, subject to

availability of funds. Please note, Year 1 funding will be \$600,000 for Core Component 1.

Authority: This program is authorized under section 307 of the Public Health Service Act [42 U.S.C. 242I] and section 301(a) [42 U.S.C. 241(a)] of the Public Health Service Act.

Period of Performance: September 30, 2024, through September 29, 2029.

Dated: June 4, 2024.

Jamie Legier,

Acting Director, Office of Grants Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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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 August 9, 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-372(S) Section 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waivers and Supporting Regulations

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:** Section 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waivers and Supporting Regulations; **Use:** We use this report to compare actual data to the approved waiver estimates. In conjunction with the waiver compliance review reports, the information provided will be compared to that in the Medicaid Statistical Information System (MSIS) (CMS–R–284; OMB control number: 0938–0345) report and FFP claimed on a state’s Quarterly Expenditure Report (CMS–64; OMB control number: 0938–1265), to determine whether to continue the state’s home and community-based services waiver. States’ estimates of cost and utilization for renewal purposes are based upon the data compiled in the CMS–372(S) reports. **Form Number:** CMS–372(S) (OMB control number: 0938–0272); **Frequency:** Yearly; **Affected Public:** State, Local, or Tribal Governments; **Number of Respondents:** 47; **Total Annual Responses:** 259; **Total Annual Hours:** 11,396. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact George Failla at 410–786–7561.)

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

[Document Identifiers: CMS–10774 and CMS–10636]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; 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 a second opportunity for public comment on the notice. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden estimate 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 on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by July 10, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

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 Parham at (410) 786–4669.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (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 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires Federal agencies to publish a 30-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 that summarizes the following proposed collection(s) of information for public comment:

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* The International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Procedure Coding System (ICD–10–PCS); *Use:* The HIPAA Act of 1996 required CMS to adopt standards for coding systems that are used for reporting health care transactions. The Transactions and Code Sets final rule (65 FR 50312) published in the **Federal Register** on August 17, 2000 adopted the International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD–9–CM) Volumes 1 and 2 for diagnosis codes and ICD–9–CM Volume 3 for inpatient hospital services and procedures as standard code sets for use by covered entities (health plans, health care clearinghouses, and those health care providers who transmit any health information in electronic form in connection with a transaction for which the Secretary has adopted a standard). ICD–9–CM Volumes 1 and 2, and ICD–9–CM Volume 3 were already widely used in administrative transactions when we promulgated the August 17, 2000 final rule, and we decided that adopting these existing code sets would be less disruptive for covered entities than modified or new code sets.

When a request is submitted in MEARIS™, the Diagnosis Related Groups (DRGs) and Coding Team in the Division of Coding and DRGs (DCDRG) have instant access to the request and accompanying materials to facilitate a more-timely review of the proposed updates or changes. Upon receipt of a procedure code request, CMS immediately acknowledges receipt of the request and communicates to the requestor that additional follow up will occur once an analyst has been assigned. In addition, CMS provides information via email communication in a letter to each requestor outlining the meeting process. CMS holds standard pre-meeting conference calls with requestors to discuss their procedure code topic request in more detail in advance of the ICD–10 C&M Committee Meetings. Also, prior to the committee meeting, we make the procedure code topic meeting materials publicly available, commonly referred to as the “Agenda packet” on our website at: <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/coding-billing/icd-10-codes/icd-10-coordination-maintenance-committee-materials>. Lastly, once the meeting has concluded, CMS sends a follow-up letter to the requestor informing them of next steps in the process so they can anticipate what to expect. *Form*