

Data collected in the national implementation of the ICH CAHPS Survey are used for the following purposes:

To provide a source of information from which selected measures can be publicly reported to beneficiaries as a decision aid for dialysis facility selection.

To aid facilities with their internal quality improvement efforts and external benchmarking with other facilities.

To provide CMS with information for monitoring and public reporting purposes. To support the ESRD Quality Improvement Program.

*Form Number:* CMS–10105 (OMB control number: 0938–0926); *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Individuals and Households; *Number of Respondents:* 95,000; *Number of Responses:* 95,000; *Total Annual Hours:* 51,300. (For policy questions regarding this collection, contact Lauren Popham at 410–786–8568 or [Lauren.popham@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Lauren.popham@cms.hhs.gov).)

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services**

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**Medicaid and Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Generic Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On May 28, 2010, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) guidance related to the “generic” clearance process. Generally, this is an expedited process by which agencies may obtain OMB’s approval of collection of information requests that are “usually voluntary, low-burden, and uncontroversial collections,” do not raise any substantive or policy issues, and do not require policy or methodological review. The process requires the submission of an overarching plan that defines the scope of the individual collections that would

fall under its umbrella. This **Federal Register** notice seeks public comment on one or more of our collection of information requests that we believe are generic and fall within the scope of the umbrella. Interested persons are invited to submit 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 December 27, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** When commenting, please reference the applicable form number (CMS–10398 #83) and the OMB control number (0938–1148). 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 <https://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: CMS–10398 #83/OMB control number: 0938–1148, 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/medicare/regulations-guidance/legislation/paperwork-reduction-act-1995/pra-listing>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William N. Parham at 410–786–4669.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Following is a summary of the use and burden associated with the subject information collection(s). More detailed information can be found in the collection’s supporting statement and associated materials (see **ADDRESSES**).

**Generic Information Collection**

1. *Title of Information Collection:* PACE SPA Preprint; *Type of*

*Information Collection Request:* New information collection request information request; *Use:* The information, collected by CMS from the state on a one-time basis is needed in order to determine if the state has properly elected to cover PACE services as a Medicaid state plan option. Outside of the one-time requirement, states would need to update their SPA whenever they make changes to their eligibility section or rate setting methodology.

This iteration proposes to move our non-generic collection of information requirements/burden (CMS–10227, OMB 0938–1027) with change under our generic umbrella (CMS–10398, OMB 0938–1148). If approved by OMB, we will formally discontinue OMB control number 0938–1027 (CMS–10227).

*Form Number:* CMS–10398 #83 (OMB control number: 0938–1148); *Frequency:* Once and on occasion; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 34; *Total Annual Responses:* 40; *Total Annual Hours:* 5,560. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact: Angela Cimino at 410–786–2638.)

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services**

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**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 January 13, 2025.

**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](http://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:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of*

*Information Collection:* Triennial Network Adequacy Review for Medicare Advantage Organizations and 1876 Cost Plans; *Use:* CMS regulations at 42 CFR 417.414, 417.416, 422.112(a)(1)(i), and 422.114(a)(3)(ii) require that all Medicare Advantage organizations (MAOs) offering coordinated care plans, network-based private fee-for-service (PFFS) plans, and as well as section 1876 cost organizations, maintain a network of appropriate providers that is sufficient to provide adequate access to covered services to meet the needs of the population served. To enforce this requirement, CMS regulations at § 422.116 outline network adequacy criteria which set forth the minimum number of providers and maximum travel time and distance from enrollees to providers, for required provider specialty types in each county in the United States and its territories. Organizations must be in compliance with the current CMS network adequacy criteria guidance, which is updated and published annually on CMS's website. This collection of information is essential to appropriate and timely compliance monitoring by CMS, in order to ensure that all active contracts offering network-based plans maintain an adequate network; *Form Number:* CMS-10636 (OMB control number: 0938-1346); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Private sector; *Number of Respondents:* 502; *Number of Responses:* 2,753; *Total Annual Hours:* 27,470. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Jackie Ford at 410-786-7767.)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Children and Families

#### Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Intergovernmental Reference Guide (IRG) (Office of Management and Budget No.: 0970-0209)

**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 Intergovernmental Reference Guide (IRG) for an additional three years. The IRG contains State and Tribal child support information that helps State and Tribal child support agencies (CSAs) administer their respective programs. Minor updates are proposed, as described below. The current OMB approval (OMB #: 0970-0209) expires on February 28, 2025.

**DATES:** *Comments due* January 13, 2025. OMB is required to decide concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

**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](http://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. You can also obtain copies of the proposed collection of information by emailing [infocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:infocollection@acf.hhs.gov). Identify all emailed requests by the title of the information collection.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Description:* The IRG is a centralized and automated repository of State and Tribal profiles that contains high-level descriptions of each CSA program. These profiles provide State, Tribal, and foreign country CSAs with an effective and efficient method for updating and accessing information needed to process intergovernmental child support cases.

Revisions are proposed as a result of feedback from respondents suggesting changes, recommendations from the program team, or from the program team workgroup of interested partners. The workgroup is engaged to evaluate the efficacy of the instruments. Specifically, the following changes are proposed:

- Minor edits to change Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) to Office of Child Support Services (OCSS).
- Edits to the State profile based on recommendations that were received but not implemented in 2022 when the current version of the profile went through the OMB approval process. OCSS has an overview of those recommendations and OCSS responses available upon request.
- Edits to clarify the State profile questions to make it easier for