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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) 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.

1. Type of Information Collection Request: New collection; Title of Information Collection: Current State Practices Related to Payments to Providers for Health Care-Acquired Conditions; Use: The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 (Affordable Care Act), enacted March 23, 2010 includes provisions prohibiting Federal Financial Participation to States for payments for health care-acquired conditions (HCACs). Section 2702(a) specifically requires that the Secretary identify current State practices that prohibit payment for HCACs and incorporate those practices or elements of those practices which she determines appropriate for application to the Medicaid program. In accordance with section 2702(a) of the Affordable Care Act, CMS is issuing this survey to States to obtain information on current State Medicaid practices for prohibiting payments for HCACs. Form Number: CMS-10335 (OMB#: 0938-New);

Frequency: Once; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments; *Number of Respondents:* 50; *Total Annual Responses:* 50; *Total Annual Hours:* 50 (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Venesa Day at 410– 786–8281. For all other issues call 410– 786–1326.)

2. Type of Information Collection *Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Prospective Payments for Hospital Outpatient Service and Supporting Regulations is 42 CFR 413.65; Use: Section 1833(t) of the Social Security Act requires the Secretary to establish a prospective payment system (PPS) for hospital outpatient services. Successful implementation of an outpatient PPS requires that CMS distinguish facilities or organizations that function as departments of hospitals from those that are freestanding, so that CMS can determine which services should be paid under the outpatient prospective payment system (OPPS), the clinical laboratory fee schedule, or other payment provisions applicable to services furnished to hospital outpatients. Information from the sections 413.65(b)(3) and (c) reports is needed to make these determinations. In addition, section 1866(b)(2) of the Act authorizes hospitals and other providers to impose deductible and coinsurance charges for facility services, but does not allow such charges by facilities or organizations which are not providerbased. Implementation of this provision requires that CMS have information from the required reports, so it can determine which facilities are providerbased. Form Number: CMS-R-240 (OMB#: 0938-0798); Frequency: Occasionally; Affected Public: Business or other for-profits and Not-for-profit institutions; Number of Respondents: 905; Total Annual Responses: 500,405; Total Annual Hours: 26,563 (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Daniel Schroder at 410-786-7452. For all other issues call 410-786-1326.)

3. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* QualityNet Identity Management System (QIMS) Account Form; *Use:* The QualityNet Identity Management System (QIMS) account registration form must be completed by any new persons needing access to Consolidated Renal Operations in a Web Enabled Network (CROWNWeb). The 8,561 existing accounts owners will not have to reregister for new user accounts. The CROWNWeb user community is

composed of CMS employees, ESRD Network Organization staff and dialysis facilities staff. The CROWNWeb system is the system used as the collection point of data necessary for entitlement of ESRD patients to Medicare benefits and Federal Government monitoring and assessing of quality and type of care provided to renal patients. The data collected in QIMS will provide the necessary security measures for creating and maintaining active CROWNWeb user accounts and collection of audit trail information required by the CMS Information Security Officers (ISSO). Form Number: CMS-10267 (OMB#: 0938–1050); Frequency: Occasionally; Affected Public: Business or other forprofits and Not-for-profit institutions; Number of Respondents: 7,439; Total Annual Responses: 7,439; Total Annual Hours: 3,720. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Michelle Tucker at 410–786–0376. For all other issues call 410-786-1326.)

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access CMS' Web site at *http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ PaperworkReductionActof1995*, or email your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to *Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov*, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786– 1326.

In commenting on the proposed information collections please reference the document identifier or OMB control number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be submitted in one of the following ways by *September 10, 2010:*

1. *Electronically*. You may submit 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) 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.

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