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The Director, Strategic Business Initiatives Unit, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

**Kalwant Smagh,**

*Director, Strategic Business Initiatives Unit, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

#### Privacy Act of 1974; Matching Program

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

**ACTION:** Notice of new matching program.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with subsection (e)(12) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is providing notice of the re-establishment of a matching program between CMS and the Social Security Administration (SSA), "Determining Enrollment or Eligibility for Insurance Affordability Programs Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act."

**DATES:** The deadline for comments on this notice is August 16, 2023. The re-established matching program will commence not sooner than 30 days after publication of this notice, provided no comments are received that warrant a change to this notice. The matching program will be conducted for an initial term of 18 months (from approximately September 9, 2023 to March 8, 2025) and within three months of expiration may be renewed for one additional year if the parties make no change to the matching program and certify that the program has been conducted in

compliance with the matching agreement.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties may submit comments on the new matching program to the CMS Privacy Act Officer by mail at: Division of Security, Privacy Policy & Governance, Information Security & Privacy Group, Office of Information Technology, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Location: N1-14-56, 7500 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, or by email at [Barbara.demopolos@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Barbara.demopolos@cms.hhs.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions about the matching program, you may contact Anne Pesto, Senior Advisor, Marketplace Eligibility and Enrollment Group, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, at 443-844-9966, by email at [anne.pesto@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:anne.pesto@cms.hhs.gov), or by mail at 7500 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21244.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552a) provides certain protections for individuals applying for and receiving federal benefits. The law governs the use of computer matching by federal agencies when records in a system of records (meaning, federal agency records about individuals retrieved by name or other personal identifier) are matched with records of other federal or non-federal agencies. The Privacy Act requires agencies involved in a matching program to:

1. Enter into a written agreement, which must be prepared in accordance with the Privacy Act, approved by the Data Integrity Board of each source and recipient federal agency, provided to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and made available to the public, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(o), (u)(3)(A), and (u)(4).
2. Notify the individuals whose information will be used in the matching program that the information they provide is subject to verification through matching, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(o)(1)(D).
3. Verify match findings before suspending, terminating, reducing, or making a final denial of an individual's benefits or payments or taking other adverse action against the individual, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(p).
4. Report the matching program to Congress and the OMB, in advance and annually, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(o)(2)(A)(i), (r), and (u)(3)(D).
5. Publish advance notice of the matching program in the **Federal Register** as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(12).

This matching program meets these requirements.

**Barbara Demopolos,**

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#### Participating Agencies

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is the recipient agency, and the Social Security Administration (SSA) is the source agency.

#### Authority for Conducting the Matching Program

The statutory authority for the matching program is 42 U.S.C. 18081 and 18083.

#### Purpose(s)

The purpose of the matching program is to provide CMS with SSA information which CMS will use to determine individuals' eligibility for initial enrollment in a Qualified Health Plan through an Exchange established under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, for Insurance Affordability Programs (IAPs), and for certificates of exemption from the shared responsibility payment; and to make eligibility redeterminations and renewal decisions, including appeal determinations. IAPs include:

1. Advance payments of the premium tax credit (APTC) and cost sharing reductions (CSRs),
2. Medicaid,
3. Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and
4. Basic Health Program (BHP).

#### Categories of Individuals

The individuals whose information will be used in the matching program are consumers (applicants and enrollees) who receive the eligibility determinations and redeterminations described in the preceding Purpose(s) section.

#### Categories of Records

The categories of records used in the matching program are identity information, citizenship and death/disability indicators, incarceration information, and income information. To request information from SSA, CMS will submit a submission file to SSA that contains the following mandatory specified data elements: last name, first name, date of birth, Social Security Number (SSN), and citizenship indicator. When SSA is able to match the SSN and name provided by CMS and information is available, SSA will

provide CMS with the following about each individual, as relevant: last name, first name, date of birth, death indicator, disability indicator, incarceration information, Title II (annual and monthly) income information, and confirmation of attestations of citizenship status and SSN. SSA may also provide Quarters of Coverage data when CMS requests it.

### Systems of Records

The systems of records and routine uses that support this matching program are identified below:

#### A. System of Records Maintained by CMS

- CMS Health Insurance Exchanges System (HIX), System No. 09–70–0560, last published in full at 78 FR 63211 (Oct. 23, 2013) and amended at 83 FR 6591 (Feb. 14, 2018). Routine use 3 authorizes CMS' disclosures of identifying information about applicants to SSA for use in this matching program.

#### B. Systems of Records Maintained by SSA

- Master Files of SSN Holders and SSN Applications (referred to as the Enumeration System), 60–0058, last fully published at 87 FR 263 (Jan. 4, 2022);
- Prisoner Update Processing System (PUPS), 60–0269, last fully published at 64 FR 11076 (Mar. 8, 1999) and updated at 72 FR 69723 (Dec. 10, 2007), 78 FR 40542 (July 5, 2013), and 83 FR 54969 (Nov. 1, 2018);
- Master Beneficiary Record (MBR) 60–0090, last fully published at 71 FR 1826 (Jan. 11, 2006), and updated at 72 FR 69723 (Dec. 10, 2007), at 78 FR 40542 (July 5, 2013), at 83 FR 31250 (July 3, 2018) and at 83 FR 54969 (Nov. 1, 2018); and
- Earnings Recording and Self-Employment Income System (referred to as the Master Earnings File (MEF)), 60–0059, last fully published at 71 FR 1819 (Jan. 11, 2006) and amended at 78 FR 40542 (July 5, 2013) and 83 FR 54969 (Nov. 1, 2018).

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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 *August 16, 2023*.

**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 the currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Collection of Prescription Drug Data from MA–PD, PDP and Fallout Plans/Sponsors for Medicare Part D Payments; *Use:* The PDE data is used in the Payment Reconciliation System to perform the annual Part D payment reconciliation, any PDE data within the Coverage Gap Phase of the Part D benefit is used for invoicing in the CGDP, and the data are part of the report provided to the Secretary of the Treasury for Section 9008.

The information users will be pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs), third party administrators and pharmacies, and the PDPs, MA–PDs, Fallbacks, and other plans that offer coverage of outpatient prescription drugs under the Medicare Part D benefit to Medicare beneficiaries. The statutorily required data is used primarily for payment and is used for claim validation as well as for other legislated functions such as quality monitoring, program integrity and oversight. In addition, the PDE data are used to support operations and program development.

CMS has used PDE data to create summarized dashboards and tools, including the Medicare Part D Drug Spending Dashboard & Data, the Part D Manufacturer Rebate Summary Report, and the Medicare Part D Opioid Prescribing Mapping Tool. The data are also used in the Medicare Trustees