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Name of Committee: Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel (SEP)—CE25–027, Evaluate STEADI-based Fall Prevention in Assisted Living Facilities.

Dates: March 4–5, 2025.

Times: 10 a.m.–5 p.m., EST.

Place: Web Conference.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

For Further Information Contact: Aisha L. Wilkes, M.P.H., Scientific Review Officer, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 4770 Buford Highway NE, Mailstop S106–9, Atlanta, Georgia 30341. Telephone: (404) 639–6473; Email: AWilkes@cdc.gov.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1009(d), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), title 5 U.S.C., as amended, and the Determination of the Director, Office of Strategic Business Initiatives, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, pursuant to Public Law 92–463. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel; (SEP)—TS25–036, Identify and Evaluate Potential Risk Factors for ALS.

Dates: February 25–26, 2025.

Times: 10 a.m.–5 p.m., EST.

Place: Web Conference.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Medicare, Medicaid, and Children’s Health Insurance Programs; Provider Enrollment Application Fee Amount for Calendar Year 2025

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a \$730.00 calendar year (CY) 2025 application fee for institutional providers that are initially enrolling in the Medicare or Medicaid program or the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP); revalidating their Medicare, Medicaid, or CHIP enrollment; or adding a new Medicare practice location. This fee is required with any enrollment application

submitted on or after January 1, 2025, and on or before December 31, 2025.

DATES: The application fee announced in this notice is effective on January 1, 2025.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Frank Whelan, (410) 786–1302.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In the February 2, 2011 **Federal Register** (76 FR 5862), we published a final rule with comment period titled “Medicare, Medicaid, and Children’s Health Insurance Programs; Additional Screening Requirements, Application Fees, Temporary Enrollment Moratoria, Payment Suspensions and Compliance Plans for Providers and Suppliers.” This rule finalized, among other things, provisions related to the submission of application fees as part of the Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP provider enrollment processes.

As provided in section 1866(j)(2)(C)(i) of the Social Security Act (the Act) and in 42 CFR 424.514, “institutional providers” that are initially enrolling in the Medicare or Medicaid programs or CHIP, revalidating their enrollment, or adding a new Medicare practice location are required to submit a fee with their enrollment application. An “institutional provider” for purposes of Medicare is defined at § 424.502 as “any provider or supplier that submits a paper Medicare enrollment application using the CMS–855A, CMS–855B (not including physician and non-physician practitioner organizations), CMS–855S, or associated internet-based PECOS enrollment application.” As we explained in the February 2, 2011 final rule (76 FR 5914), in addition to the providers and suppliers subject to the application fee under Medicare, Medicaid-only and CHIP-only institutional providers would include nursing facilities, intermediate care facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities (ICF/IID), and psychiatric residential treatment facilities; they may also include other institutional provider types designated by a State in accordance with their approved State plan.

As indicated in § 424.514 and § 455.460, the application fee is not required for either of the following:

- A Medicare physician or non-physician practitioner submitting a CMS–855I.
- A prospective or revalidating Medicaid or CHIP provider—
 - ++ Who is an individual physician or non-physician practitioner; or
 - ++ That is enrolled as an institutional provider in Title XVIII of the Act or

another State's title XIX or XXI plan and has paid the application fee to a Medicare contractor or another State.

II. Provisions of the Notice

Section 1866(j)(2)(C)(i)(I) of the Act established a \$500 application fee for institutional providers in CY 2010. Consistent with section 1866(j)(2)(C)(i)(II) of the Act, § 424.514(d)(2) states that for CY 2011 and subsequent years, the preceding year's fee will be adjusted by the percentage change in the consumer price index (CPI) for all urban consumers (all items; United States city average, CPI-U) for the 12-month period ending on June 30 of the previous year. Consequently, each year since 2011 we have published in the **Federal Register** an announcement of the application fee amount for the forthcoming CY based on this formula. Most recently, in the November 7, 2023 **Federal Register** (88 FR 76754), we published a notice announcing a fee amount for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 of \$709.00. The \$709.00 fee amount for CY 2024 was used to calculate the fee amount for 2025 as specified in § 424.514(d)(2).

According to Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) data, the CPI-U increase for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 was 3.0 percent. (See https://www.bls.gov/news.release/archives/cpi_07112024.htm.) As required by § 424.514(d)(2), the preceding year's fee of \$709 will be adjusted by 3.0 percent. This results in a CY 2025 application fee amount of \$730.27 ($\709×1.03). As we must round this to the nearest whole dollar amount, the resultant application fee amount for CY 2025 is \$730.

III. Collection of Information Requirements

This document does not impose information collection requirements (that is, reporting, recordkeeping, or third-party disclosure requirements). Accordingly, there is no need for review by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. However, it does reference previously approved information collections. The CMS-855A, CMS-855B, CMS-855I, and CMS-855S applications are approved under, respectively, OMB control numbers 0938-0685, 0938-1377, 0938-1355, and 0938-1056.

IV. Regulatory Impact Statement

A. Overall Impact

We have examined the impacts of this notice as required by Executive Order

12866 on Regulatory Planning and Review (September 30, 1993), Executive Order 13563 on Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review (January 18, 2011), Executive Order 14094 titled "Modernizing Regulatory Review" (April 6, 2023), the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) (September 19, 1980, Pub. L. 96-354), section 1102(b) of the Social Security Act, section 202 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (March 22, 1995; Pub. L. 104-4), Executive Order 13132 on Federalism (August 4, 1999), and the Congressional Review Act (5 U.S.C. 804(2)).

Executive Orders 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity). The Executive Order 14094 titled "Modernizing Regulatory Review" amends section 3(f)(1) of Executive Order 12866 (Regulatory Planning and Review). The amended section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 defines a "significant regulatory action" as an action that is likely to result in a rule (notice) that may: (1) have an annual effect on the economy of \$200 million or more in any 1 year, (adjusted every 3 years by the Administrator of OMB's Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) for changes in gross domestic product); or adversely affect in a material way the economy, a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local, territorial, or tribal governments or communities; (2) create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action taken or planned by another agency; (3) materially alter the budgetary impacts of entitlement grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof; or (4) raise legal or policy issues for which centralized review would meaningfully further the President's priorities or the principles set forth in this Executive order, as specifically authorized in a timely manner by OIRA in each case.

A regulatory impact analysis (RIA) must be prepared for notices with significant regulatory action/s and/or with significant effects as per section 3(f)(1) of Executive Order 12866 (\$200 million or more in any 1 year). Based on our estimates, OIRA has determined that this rulemaking is not significant per section 3(f)(1) as measured by the \$200 million or more in any 1 year.

As explained in this section of the notice, we estimate that the total cost of

the increase in the application fee will not exceed \$200 million. Therefore, this notice does not reach the \$200 million economic threshold and is not considered a significant notice.

B. Cost

The costs associated with this notice involve the increase in the application fee amount that certain providers and suppliers must pay in CY 2025. The CY 2025 cost estimates are as follows:

1. Medicare

Based on CMS data, we estimate that in CY 2025 approximately—

- 13,151 newly enrolling institutional providers will be subject to and pay an application fee; and
- 37,224 revalidating institutional providers will be subject to and pay an application fee.

Using a figure of 50,375 (13,151 newly enrolling + 37,224 revalidating) institutional providers, we estimate an increase in the cost of the Medicare application fee requirement in CY 2025 of \$1,057,875 (or $50,375 \times \$21$ (or \$730 minus \$709)) from our CY 2024 projections.

2. Medicaid and CHIP

Based on CMS and State statistics, we estimate that approximately 30,000 (9,000 newly enrolling + 21,000 revalidating) Medicaid and CHIP institutional providers will be subject to an application fee in CY 2025. Using this figure, we project an increase in the cost of the Medicaid and CHIP application fee requirement in CY 2025 of \$630,000 (or $30,000 \times \$21$ (or \$730 minus \$709)) from our CY 2024 projections.

3. Total

Based on the foregoing, we estimate the total increase in the cost of the application fee requirement for Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP providers and suppliers in CY 2025 to be \$1,687,875 ($\$1,057,875 + \$630,000$) from our CY 2024 projections.

We do not anticipate any negative impact on equity from the increase in the application fee amount, which we calculated in accordance with the requirements specified in statute and regulation. Prior application fee increases have had no such discernable effect, and we reiterate that the fee requirement does not apply to individual physicians and non-physician practitioners completing the CMS-855I, who represent the overwhelming preponderance of the more than 2 million Medicare-enrolled providers and suppliers.

The RFA requires agencies to analyze options for regulatory relief of small businesses. For purposes of the RFA, small entities include small businesses, nonprofit organizations, and small governmental jurisdictions. Most hospitals and most other providers and suppliers are small entities, either by nonprofit status or by having revenues of less than \$9 million to \$47 million in any 1 year. Individuals and States are not included in the definition of a small entity. As we stated in the RIA for the February 2, 2011 final rule (76 FR 5952), we do not believe that the application fee will have a significant impact on small entities.

In addition, section 1102(b) of the Act requires us to prepare an RIA if a rule (notice) may have a significant impact on the operations of a substantial number of small rural hospitals. This analysis must conform to the provisions of section 604 of the RFA. For purposes of section 1102(b) of the Act, we define a small rural hospital as a hospital that is located outside of a metropolitan statistical area and has fewer than 100 beds. We are not preparing an analysis for section 1102(b) of the Act, because the Secretary has certified that this notice will not have a significant impact on the operations of a substantial number of small rural hospitals.

Section 202 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 also requires that agencies assess anticipated costs and benefits before issuing any rule whose mandates require spending in any 1 year of \$100 million in 1995 dollars, updated annually for inflation. In 2024, that threshold is approximately \$183 million. This notice would not impose a mandate that will result in the expenditure by State, local, and Tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of more than \$183 million in any 1 year.

Executive Order 13132 establishes certain requirements that an agency must meet when it promulgates a proposed rule (and subsequent final rule) (in this case a notice) that imposes substantial direct requirement costs on State and local governments, preempts State law, or otherwise has federalism implications. Since this notice does not impose substantial direct costs on State or local governments, the requirements of Executive Order 13132 are not applicable.

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12866, this notice was reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

The Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, having reviewed and approved this document,

authorizes Chyana Woodyard, who is the Federal Register Liaison, to electronically sign this document for purposes of publication in the **Federal Register**.

Chyana Woodyard,

Federal Register Liaison, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[Document Identifiers: CMS–10371]

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 January 31, 2025.

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–10371 State-based Exchange, SBE, SBE Budget Template, SBE Enrollment Metrics, Open Enrollment

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 Collections

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* State-based Exchange, SBE, SBE Budget Template, SBE Enrollment Metrics, Open Enrollment; *Use:* The Patient Protection