

1865(a)(2) of the Act and our regulations at § 410.142 and § 410.143, we conducted a review of AADE's national accreditation organization based on the criteria set forth in § 410.142(b), which include, but are not limited to the following: (1) A review of the national accreditation organization's operations and office to verify information in the organization's application and assess the organization's compliance with its own policies and procedures; (2) evaluating accreditation results or the accreditation status decision making process; and (3) interviewing the organization's staff.

The April 24, 2015 proposed notice also solicited public comments on the ability of AADE to continue to develop standards that meet or exceed the Medicare conditions for coverage and apply them to entities furnishing outpatient services. We received no public comments in response to our proposed notice.

IV. Provisions of the Final Notice

AADE's application to continue as an accredited NAO to deem entities for the purposes of DSMT is approved for a period of 6 years. The accreditation is effective on September 25, 2015. This approval is subject to renewal subsequent to the receipt of an application from the AADE and subject to review, evaluation, and approval of its program.

Based on our review and observations described in section II of this final notice, we approve AADE as a national accreditation organization for entities furnishing DSMT that request participation in the Medicare program, effective September 25, 2015 through September 27, 2021.

V. Collection of Information Requirements

This document does not impose information collection requirements, that is, reporting, recordkeeping or third-party disclosure requirements. Consequently, there is no need for review by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Dated: September 16, 2015.

Andrew M. Slavitt,

Acting Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Continued Approval of the American Diabetes Association as an Accrediting Organization for Diabetes Self-Management Training Programs

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Final notice.

SUMMARY: This final notice announces our decision to approve the American Diabetes Association (ADA) for continued recognition as a national accreditation program for accrediting entities that wish to furnish outpatient diabetes self-management training (DSMT) to Medicare beneficiaries.

DATES: This final notice is effective September 25, 2015 through September 27, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kristin Shifflett, (410) 786-4133; Jacqueline Leach, (410) 786-4282.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Under the Medicare program, eligible beneficiaries may receive outpatient diabetes self-management training (DSMT) when ordered by the physician (or qualified non-physician practitioner) treating the beneficiary's diabetes, provided certain requirements are met by the provider. Pursuant to our regulations at 42 CFR 410.141(e)(3), we use national accrediting organizations (NAOs) to assess whether provider entities meet Medicare requirements when providing DSMT services for which Medicare payment is made. If a provider entity is accredited by an approved accrediting organization, it is "deemed" to meet applicable Medicare requirements.

A NAO must meet the standards and requirements specified by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services in our regulations under part 410, subpart H, to qualify for deeming authority. The regulations pertaining to application procedures for NAOs for DSMT are specified at § 410.142 (CMS process for approving NAOs).

A NAO applying for deeming authority must provide us with reasonable assurance that the accrediting organization requires accredited entities to meet requirements that are at least as stringent as our requirements.

We may approve and recognize a nonprofit organization with demonstrated experience in representing the interests of individuals with diabetes to accredit entities to furnish DSMT. The accreditation organization, after being approved and recognized by CMS, may accredit an entity to meet one of the sets of quality standards in § 410.144 (Quality standards for deemed entities).

Section 1865(a)(2) of the Social Security Act (the Act) requires that we review the applying accreditation organization's requirements for accreditation, as follows:

- Survey procedures.
- Ability to provide adequate resources for conducting required surveys.
- Ability to supply information for use in enforcement activities.
- Monitoring procedures for providers found out of compliance with the conditions or requirements.
- Ability to provide CMS with necessary data for validation.

We then examine the NAO's accreditation requirements to determine if they meet or exceed the Medicare conditions as we would have applied them.

II. Application Approval Process

Section 1865(a)(3)(A) of the Act provides a statutory timetable to ensure that our review of applications for CMS-approval of an accreditation program is conducted in a timely manner. The Act provides us 210 days after the date of receipt of a complete application, with any documentation necessary to make the determination, to complete our survey activities and application process. Within 60 days after receiving a complete application, we must publish a notice in the **Federal Register** that identifies the national accrediting body making the request, describes the request, and provides no less than a 30-day public comment period. At the end of the 210-day period, we must publish a notice in the **Federal Register** approving or denying the application.

III. Provisions of the Proposed Notice

On April 30, 2015, we published a proposed notice in the **Federal Register** (80 FR 24253) entitled "Application by the American Diabetes Association for Continued Deeming Authority for Diabetes Self-Management Training," announcing the receipt of an application from the ADA for continued recognition as a national accreditation program for accrediting entities that wish to furnish outpatient DSMT to Medicare beneficiaries.

In that notice, we detailed our evaluation criteria. Under section 1865(a)(2) of the Act and our regulations at § 410.142 and § 410.143, we conducted a review of ADA's NAO based on the criteria set forth in § 410.142(b), which include, but are not limited to the following: (1) A review of the NAO's operations and office to verify information in the organization's application and assess the organization's compliance with its own policies and procedures; (2) evaluating accreditation results or the accreditation status decision making process; and (3) interviewing the organization's staff.

The April 30, 2015 proposed notice also solicited public comments on the ability of ADA to continue to develop standards that meet or exceed the Medicare conditions for coverage and apply them to accredit entities to furnish training. We received no public comments in response to our proposed notice.

IV. Provisions of the Final Notice

ADA's application to continue as an accredited NAO to deem entities for the purposes of DSMT is approved for a period of 6 years. The accreditation is effective on September 25, 2015. This approval is subject to renewal subsequent to the receipt of an application from the ADA and subject to review, evaluation, and approval of its program.

Based on our review and observations described in section III of this final notice, we approve ADA as a NAO for entities furnishing DSMT that request participation in the Medicare program, effective September 25, 2015 through effective September 27, 2021.

V. Collection of Information Requirements

This document does not impose information collection requirements, that is, reporting, recordkeeping or third-party disclosure requirements. Consequently, there is no need for review by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Dated: September 17, 2015.

Andrew M. Slavitt,

Acting Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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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, 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 (the 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 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.

DATES: Comments must be received by November 24, 2015.

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, you may make your request using one of following:

1. Access CMS' Web site address at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995>.

2. Email your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov.

3. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786-1326.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786-1326.

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-10519 Physician Quality

Reporting System (PQRS) and the Electronic Prescribing Incentive (eRx) Program Data Assessment, Accuracy and Improper Payments Identification Support

CMS-10583 Data Collection for

Medicare Beneficiaries Receiving Beta Amyloid Positron Emission Tomography (PET) for Dementia and Neurodegenerative Disease

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:* Physician