

published in Appendix A, and now found at <https://www.gsa.gov/perdiem>. The CONUS minimum meals component remains \$51.00 per day for 2018.<sup>3</sup> Workers who qualify for travel reimbursement are entitled to reimbursement for meals up to the CONUS meal rate when they provide receipts. In determining the appropriate amount of reimbursement for meals for less than a full day, the employer may limit the meal expense reimbursement, with receipts, to 75 percent of the maximum reimbursement for meals, or \$38.25, based on the GSA per diem schedule. If a worker does not provide receipts, the employer is not obligated to reimburse above the minimum stated at \$ 655.173, as specified above.

If transportation and lodging are not provided by the employer, the amount an employer must pay for transportation and, where required, lodging, must be no less than (and is not required to be more than) the most economical and reasonable costs. The employer is responsible for those costs necessary for the worker to travel to the worksite if the worker completes 50 percent of the work contract period, but is not responsible for unauthorized detours. The employer also is responsible for the costs of return transportation and subsistence, including lodging costs where necessary, as described above. This policy applies equally to instances where the worker is traveling within the U.S. to the employer's worksite.

For further information on when the employer is responsible for lodging costs, please see the Department's H-2A Frequently Asked Questions on Travel and Daily Subsistence, which may be found on the OFLC website: <https://www.foreignlaborcert.doleta.gov/>.

**Rosemary Lahasky,**  
*Deputy Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

#### Notice of a Virtual Meeting of the Task Force on Apprenticeship Expansion

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) and its implementing regulations, notice is hereby given to announce the fourth public meeting of the Task Force on Apprenticeship Expansion on Tuesday, April 10, 2018. The Task Force is a FACA committee established by Presidential Executive Order that is charged with identifying strategies and proposals to promote and expand apprenticeships, especially in sectors where apprenticeship programs are insufficient. The Task Force is solely advisory in nature, and will consider reports, comments, research, evidence, and existing practices as appropriate to develop recommendations for inclusion in its final report to the President. To achieve its mission, the Task Force will convene one additional in-person meeting on Thursday, May 10, 2018.

**DATES:** The meeting will begin at approximately 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, and adjourn at approximately 3:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will convene virtually. Any updates to the agenda and meeting logistics will be posted on the Task Force homepage at: <https://www.dol.gov/apprenticeship/task-force.htm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Laurie Rowe, Senior Policy Advisor to the Secretary, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210, Telephone: (202) 693-2772 (this is not a toll-free number).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Virtual Meeting Log-In Instructions

In order to promote openness and increase public participation, webinar and audio conference technology will be used throughout the meeting. Webinar and audio instructions will be sent to all public registrants. Public Registration information will be prominently posted on the Task Force homepage at: <https://www.dol.gov/apprenticeship/task-force.htm>.

##### Notice of Intent to Attend the Meeting and Submission of a Written Statement:

Interested members of the public must register for the Task Force meeting by Friday, April 6, 2018, via the public registration website using the following link: <https://www.apprenticeshiptaskforce.com/reg/>. Additionally, individuals with special needs and/or disabilities that will require special accommodations should send an email to [Apprenticeshiptaskforce@dol.gov](mailto:Apprenticeshiptaskforce@dol.gov) with the subject line "Special Accommodations for the April 2018

Task Force Meeting" no later than Tuesday, April 3, 2018.

The tentative agenda for this meeting includes the following:

- Updates Since March 2018 Meeting
- Updates from the Subcommittees
- Next Meeting and Next Steps

Also in the interest of increasing public participation, any member of the public who wishes to provide a written statement should send it via electronic mail to [Apprenticeshiptaskforce@dol.gov](mailto:Apprenticeshiptaskforce@dol.gov), subject line "Public Comment April 2018 Task Force Meeting." The agenda and meeting logistics may be updated between the time of this publication and the scheduled date of the Task Force meeting. All meeting updates will be posted to the Task Force website: <https://www.dol.gov/apprenticeship/task-force.htm>.

**Rosemary Lahasky,**  
*Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Employment and Training Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Bureau of International Labor Affairs; Office of Trade and Labor Affairs; North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation; Notice of Extension of the Period for Acceptance for Submission #2018-01 (Mexico)

**AGENCY:** Bureau of International Labor Affairs, U.S. Department of Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Trade and Labor Affairs (OTLA) in the Bureau of International Labor Affairs of the U.S. Department of Labor has determined that an extension of time is required for its decision on whether to accept Submission #2018-01 for review concerning Mexico (the Submission) filed under Article 16.3 of the North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation (NAALC).

On January 25, 2018, OTLA received the Submission from the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) and Mexico's National Workers Union. It alleges that the introduction of reforms to the Federal Labor Law of Mexico would violate Mexico's obligations under the NAALC.

In accordance with its published Procedural Guidelines (71 FR 76694 (2006)), OTLA has 60 days, unless circumstances as determined by OTLA require an extension of time, to determine whether to accept a

<sup>3</sup> Maximum Per Diem Reimbursement Rates for the Continental United States (CONUS), 82 FR 39786 (August 22, 2017); see also <https://www.gsa.gov/mie>.

submission for review. OTLA has determined that circumstances require an extension of time to determine whether to accept the Submission. The U.S. Secretary of Labor and the Mexican Minister of Labor and Social Welfare are scheduled to meet this month. Part of the discussion will include issues germane to the subject of the Submission. In light of these forthcoming discussions, and because the subject of the Submission is proposed legislation that is being debated in the Mexican legislative session that concludes on April 30, 2018, OTLA has determined that it is prudent to extend the time period for determining whether to accept the Submission for review.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* March 21, 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Matthew Levin, Director, OTLA, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room S-5303, Washington, DC 20210. Telephone: (202) 693-4900 (this is not a toll-free number).

Signed at Washington, DC on March 19, 2018.

**Martha E. Newton,**

*Deputy Undersecretary for International Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Certificate of Medical Necessity

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) sponsored information collection request (ICR) revision titled, "Certificate of Medical Necessity," to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval for use in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995. Public comments on the ICR are invited.

**DATES:** The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before April 20, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free of charge from the

*RegInfo.gov* website at [http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref\\_nbr=201710-1240-002](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=201710-1240-002) or by contacting Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129, TTY 202-693-8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or sending an email to [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

Submit comments about this request by mail to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL-OWCP, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503; by Fax: 202-395-5806 (this is not a toll-free number); or by email: [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov).

Commenters are encouraged, but not required, to send a courtesy copy of any comments by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor-OASAM, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attn: Departmental Information Compliance Management Program, Room N1301, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210; or by email: [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129, TTY 202-693-8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or sending an email to [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This ICR seeks approval under the PRA for revisions to the Certificate of Medical Necessity information collection. A coal miner's physician completes a Certification of Medical Necessity (Form CM-893) that the OWCP uses to determine whether the miner meets impairment standards to qualify for durable medical equipment, home nursing, and/or pulmonary rehabilitation. The Black Lung Benefits Act authorizes this information collection. *See* 30 U.S.C. 922.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. *See* 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control Number 1240-0024. The DOL notes that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. New

requirements would only take effect upon OMB approval. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on October 18, 2017 (82 FR 48532).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1240-0024. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Agency:* DOL-OWCP.

*Title of Collection:* Certificate of Medical Necessity.

*OMB Control Number:* 1240-0024.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Total Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,500.

*Total Estimated Number of Responses:* 1,500.

*Total Estimated Annual Time Burden:* 563 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden:* \$0.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

**Michel Smyth,**

*Departmental Clearance Officer.*

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### Sunshine Act Meetings

**TIME AND DATE:** 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., Wednesday, April 11, 2018.