### 1601.106 OMB approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (Pub. L. 96-511) requires Federal agencies to obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) before collecting information from ten or more members of the public. The information collection and recordkeeping requirements contained in this regulation have been approved by the OMB. The following OMB control numbers apply.

| Provision       | Control No. |
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# Subpart 1601.3—Agency Acquisition Regulation (FEHBAR)

## 1601.301 Policy.

(a) Procedures, contract clauses, and other aspects of the acquisition process for contracts in the FEHBP shall be consistent with the principles of the FAR. Changes to the FAR that are otherwise authorized by statute or applicable regulation, dictated by the practical realities associated with the unique nature of health care procurements, or necessary to satisfy specific needs of the Office of Personnel Management shall be implemented as amendments to the FEHBAR and published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, or as deviations to the FAR in accordance with FAR subpart 1.4.

(b) Internal procedures, instructions, and guides that are necessary to clarify or implement the FEHBAR within OPM may be issued by agency officials specifically designated by the Director, OPM. Normally, such designations will be specified in the OPM Administrative Manual, which is routinely available to agency employees and will be made available to interested outside parties upon request. Clarifying or implementing procedures, instructions, and guides issued pursuant to this section of the FEHBAR must—

(1) Be consistent with the policies and procedures contained in this regu-

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lation as implemented and supplemented from time to time; and

(2) Follow the format, arrangement, and numbering system of this regulation to the extent practicable.

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### 1602.000-70 Scope of part.

This part defines words and terms commonly used in this regulation.

## Subpart 1602.1—Definitions of FEHBP Terms

### 1602.170 Definition of terms.

In this chapter, unless otherwise indicated, the following terms have the meaning set forth in this subpart.

#### 1602.170-1 Carrier.

*Carrier* means a voluntary association, corporation, partnership, or other nongovernmental organization which is lawfully engaged in providing, delivering, paying for, or reimbursing the cost of health care services under group insurance policies or contracts, medical or hospital service agreements, membership or subscription