DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Request for Information on Strategies To Accelerate the Testing and Adoption of Pay for Success (PFS) Financing Models

AGENCY: Office of Domestic Finance, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Request for information; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury is reopening the comment period on its request for information on Strategies to Accelerate the Testing and Adoption of Pay for Success (PFS) Financing Models. The President’s FY 2014 budget included a request for a $300 million one-time mandatory appropriation for a new Incentive Fund to help state and local governments implement PFS programs. In order to inform the Administration’s development of this legislative initiative, the request for information (RFI) seeks information on options for financing models and the most promising programmatic areas that could be served by the Incentive Fund. Treasury is reopening the comment period until December 20, 2013 to provide additional opportunity to comment.

DATES: Responses must be received by December 20, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal or via U.S. mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. We will not accept comments by fax or by email. To ensure that we do not receive duplicate copies, please submit your comments only one time. In addition, please include the Docket ID and the term “PFS Incentive Fund RFI” at the top of your comments.

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to www.regulations.gov to submit your comments electronically. Information on using Regulations.gov, including instructions for accessing agency documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket, is available on the site under a tab titled “Are you new to the site?”
  • U.S. Mail, Commercial Delivery, or Hand Delivery: If you mail or deliver your comments, address them to Cara Camacho, Attention: Pay for Success Incentive Fund RFI, U.S. Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Room 1325, Washington, DC 20220.
  • Privacy Note: The Department’s policy for comments received from members of the public (including comments submitted by mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery) is to make these submissions available for public viewing in their entirety on the Federal eRulemaking Portal at www.regulations.gov. Therefore, commenters should be careful to include in their comments only information that they wish to make publicly available on the Internet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cara Camacho by email: cara.camacho@treasury.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On October 2, 2013, the Department of the Treasury published in the Federal Register the RFI on Strategies to Accelerate the Testing and Adoption of Pay for Success (PFS) Financing Models (78 FR 60998). The RFI offered states, tribal governments, localities, community based and other non-profit organizations, private sector donors, researchers, and other interested individuals and entities the opportunity to provide information on effective approaches for improving outcomes for social services and other program areas by employing financing mechanisms that pay for results. This notice reopens the comment period for the RFI until December 20, 2013 in order to provide an additional opportunity to comment.

Donet Graves,
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The budget for fiscal year 2014—See page 978 of the President’s FY 2014 Budget Appendix (see http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/budget/Appendix).

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0024]

Proposed Information Collection (Insurance Deduction Authorization (For Deduction From Benefit Payments)); Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to this notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to authorize deduction from a beneficiary’s compensation check.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before February 18, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov; or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0024” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 632–8924 or FAX (202) 632–8925.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA’s functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.