

Non-Substantive Change Request to 0938-1384: Submissions of 1135 Waiver Request Automated Process
September 7, 2021

This is a non-substantive change request to the CMS 1135 Waiver/Flexibility Request from the ‘Submission of 1135 Waiver Request Automated Process’ that was approved as OMB number 0938-1384. CMS must be able to apply waivers and flexibilities to assist health care providers/suppliers in providing timely healthcare and services as well as ensure beneficiaries have continued access to care during a disaster or emergency. Accordingly, CMS developed a publically-accessible web based form to create a standardized, user-friendly submission that’s a more efficient processing of 1135 waiver requests.

Last week (Week of August 30th), Hurricane Ida negatively impacted the north eastern United States. As a result, the Secretary of Health and Human Services declared a “Public Health Emergency” (PHE) for additional States. Therefore, CMS is requesting approval of the following update effective September 7, 2021 to allow the agency to quickly provide necessary assistance to those impacted by Hurricane Ida:

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- Update the Public Health Emergency (PHE) on pages 2 and 3, such that “2021 Hurricane Ida” is revised in the drop-down values to allow for use by multiple States for the “Select a Public Health Emergency” section of the web form

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- Update the Public Health Emergency (PHE) on page 5, such that “2021 Hurricane Ida” is revised in the drop-down values to allow for use by multiple States for the “Select a Public Health Emergency” section of the web form

These changes have no impact on the previously stated burden associated with this collection.