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Subject:	Non-Substantive Change Request – End Stage Renal Disease Medical Evidence Report Medicare Entitlement and/or Patient Registration (OMB No: 0938-0046; CMS 2728)

This memo requests approval of a non-substantive change to the approved information collection titled End Stage Renal Disease Medical Evidence Report Medicare Entitlement and/or Patient Registration (OMB No: 0938-0046; CMS-2728)

## BACKGROUND

The End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Medical Evidence (CMS-2728) is completed for all ESRD patients either by the first treatment facility or by a Medicare-approved ESRD facility when it is determined by a physician that the patient's condition has reached that stage of renal impairment that a regular course of kidney dialysis or a kidney transplant is necessary to maintain life. The data reported on the CMS-2728 is used by the Federal Government, ESRD Networks, treatment facilities, researchers, and others to monitor and assess the quality and type of care provided to end stage renal disease beneficiaries. The data collection captures the specific medical information required to determine the Medicare medical eligibility of End Stage Renal Disease claimants. It also collects data for research and policy on this population.

## **OVERVIEW OF REQUESTED CHANGES**

The Division of Kidney Health (DKH) in the Center for Clinical Standards and Quality (CCSQ) is requesting to make the following non-substantive edits to the currently approved information collection request. The edits provide better alignment with Executive Order (E.O.) 14168 - Defending Women From Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government, and E.O. 14151 - Ending Radical And Wasteful Government DEI Programs And Preferencing. Please see the attached redline document for a visual illustration of the non-substantive edits to form CMS-2728. The following changes have no impact on the currently approved burden for this information collection.

- Section A #8: Reformatted question from "Sex Assigned at Birth, on Your Original Birth Certificate" to "What is Your Sex"
- Section A #9: Removal of this item
- Section A #10: Removal of this item.
- Section A #11: Removal of this item.
- Section A #12: Removal of this item

• Section A #26: Reformatted question from "Do you understand health literature in English? Do you need a different way other than written documents to learn about your health? Do you need a translator to understand health information?" to "Do you understand the information received to make an informed healthcare decision?"