

Member Alert: Deregulation Request for Information

On April 9, 2025, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) within the White House issued a Deregulation Request for Information (RFI) asking for ideas for rules and regulations that can be rescinded that are unnecessary, unlawful, or unduly burdensome, along with reasons to support their rescission. OMB particularly seeks information on regulations that are inconsistent with statute, are unconstitutional, impose burdens on businesses, or have costs that exceed benefits.

This follows two previously-issued Executive Orders (EOs): "Unleashing Prosperity Through Deregulation," which states that the Trump Administration will repeal ten regulations for every new regulation issued, and "Ensuring Lawful Governance and Implementing the President's Deregulatory Initiative" which directs agencies, by mid-April, to identify unlawful and potentially unlawful regulations and begin efforts to repeal them.

Comments are due on May 12, 2025.

Call to Action:

AUGS members should consider if there are rules or regulations you would support the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) repealing to decrease regulatory burdens and improve healthcare delivery. Examples could include repealing regulations in order to:

- Improve Medicare physician payment accuracy and reimbursement.
- Reform the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) to reduce the reporting requirements on physicians, particularly if there are specific components of MIPS that should be reformed.
- Reduce documentation requirements associated with E/M visits, routine post-op visits that are part of a 10- or 90-day global surgical package, repeat office-based procedures such as Botox injections and peripheral tibial nerve stimulation, and other services.
- Improve the prior authorization process.

Please reach out to Stacey Barnes (board@augs.org) if you have suggestions for an AUGS-wide comment letter or would like assistance in submitting individual comments. You may also submit as an individual via this link: https://www.regulations.gov/.

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