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Re: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Uniform Data System (UDS), OMB No. 0915-0193—Revision

Dear Ms. Roland,

The Alzheimer's Association and the Alzheimer's Impact Movement (AIM) appreciate the opportunity to comment on the proposed revision to HRSA's Uniform Data System, OMB No. 0915-0193.

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support, and research. The Alzheimer's Impact Movement, the advocacy arm of the Alzheimer's Association, is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization and works in strategic partnership with the Alzheimer's Association to make Alzheimer's a national priority. Today, there are an estimated 6.9 million Americans 65 and older living with Alzheimer's, and that population may grow to 12.7 million by 2050.¹ We are particularly grateful for all the steps HRSA has taken over the years to train providers in the care of our constituents, from funding to curriculum development.

We commend HRSA's proposed measure to be added to the Uniform Data System, Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD) Screening. We agree that the addition of this measure will be valuable in understanding how the Health Center Program can continue to support an aging population that is often underserved and overlooked. Just as importantly, the measure will support early detection, which is critical in this new Alzheimer's landscape in which treatments are now available and coming to market.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. The Alzheimer's Association and AIM would be glad to serve as a resource to HRSA as it considers these important issues and how they relate to individuals living with Alzheimer's and related dementias. Please contact Laura Thornhill, Director, Regulatory Affairs, at 202-638-7042 or lthornhill@alz-aim.org if you have questions or if we can be of additional assistance.

Sincerely,

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¹ Alzheimer's Association. (2024). *2024 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures*.