

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Health Resources and Services Administration**

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

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Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**Proposed Project: Assessment of the State Maternal and Child Health Comprehensive Systems Grant (SECCS) Program (NEW)**

HRSA’s Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB) is conducting an assessment of MCHB’s State Maternal and Child Health Comprehensive Systems Grant (SECCS) Program. The purpose of the SECCS Program is to support state and local communities in their efforts to build comprehensive and coordinated early childhood service systems and to increase the leadership and participation of State MCH Title V programs in multi-agency early childhood systems development initiatives.

The SECCS funding is offered to states, jurisdictions, or Territory Title V agencies in two stages: *Planning and Implementation*. This assessment will only focus on *Implementation Grantees* awarded in 2005 (approximately 18 grantees) and 2006 (approximately 42 grantees). The purpose of the assessment is to determine: (1) Progress of implementation grantees in meeting the goals and objectives set forth in their plans developed during the planning phase and in building program infrastructure and capacity to improve early childhood services in their states/ jurisdictions/territories, (2) programmatic, policy, and systemic barriers and facilitators that affect program implementation, and (3) quality and effectiveness of the technical assistance (TA) provided to the grantees. The results of the assessment will provide MCHB with timely feedback on the achievements of the SECCS Program and identify

potential areas for improvement, which will inform program planning and operational decisions.

As part of the study, all implementation grantees will be asked to complete a Minimum Data Set (MDS) survey, which will primarily include closed-ended questions addressing grantees’ progress in achieving the requirements outlined in the implementation grant guidance. The MDS will primarily capture *quantitative* data on implementation grantees’ progress in increasing the State MCH Program’s role and leadership in multi-agency early childhood systems development initiatives and building partnerships and system capacity to improve early childhood services in their States.

This survey will supplement and enhance the MCHB’s current data collection efforts by providing a quantifiable, standardized, systematic mechanism for collecting information across the funded implementation grantees. For the 2005 cohort of implementation grantees, the MDS will be administered once in 2006 to gather baseline data, and again in the second year of implementation (2007) to gather follow-up data on progress made. For the 2006 cohort of grantees, the MDS will be administered once in 2007.

*Respondents:* The SECCS implementation grantees (Title V agencies) funded in 2005 and 2006 will be the primary respondents of the instrument. Approximately 60 implementation grantees will respond to the MDS survey. The estimated response burden is as follows:

Cohort	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Hours per response	Total hour burden
2005 Cohort .....	18	2	2	72
2006 Cohort .....	42	1	2	84
Total .....	60	3	.....	156

Send comments to Susan G. Queen, Ph.D., HRSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 10–33, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: February 23, 2006.

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**Proposed Project: The Health Education Assistance Loan (HEAL) Program; Forms (OMB No. 0915-0034 Extension)**

The HEAL program provided federally insured loans to assure the availability of funds for loans to eligible students to pay for their education costs. In order to administer and monitor the HEAL program the following forms are utilized: The Lenders Application for Contract of Federal Loan Insurance form (used by lenders to make application to the HEAL insurance program); the Borrower's Deferment Request form

(used by borrowers to request deferments on HEAL loans and used by lenders to determine borrower's eligibility for deferment); the Borrower Loan Status update electronic submission (submitted monthly by lenders to the Secretary on the status of each loan; and the Loan Purchase/Consolidation electronic submission (submitted by lenders to the Secretary to report sales, and purchases of HEAL loans).

The estimates of burden for the forms are as follows:

HRSA form	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Total responses	Hours per responses	Total burden hours
Lender's Application for Contract of Federal Loan Insurance .....	17	1	17	8 min.	3
Borrower's Deferment Request					
Borrowers .....	436		436	10 min.	73
Employers .....	261	1.669	436	5 min.	36
Borrower Loan Status Update .....	8	18	144	10 min.	24
Loan Purchase/Consolidation .....	17	248	4,216	4 min.	281
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>5,249</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>417</b>

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-4912-N-18]

**Notice of Availability of a Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Ashburton Avenue Urban Renewal Plan and Master Plan, Yonkers, Westchester County, NY**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD gives notice to the public, agencies, and Indian tribes of the availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for review and comment for: The Ashburton Avenue Urban Renewal Plan and Ashburton Avenue Master Plan and the Mulford Gardens HOPE VI Revitalization Plan in the City of Yonkers, Westchester County, NY. The Final EIS was prepared

by the City of Yonkers, NY, acting under its authority as the Responsible Entity for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) in accordance with 24 CFR 58.4. The Final EIS has been prepared to satisfy the requirements of both NEPA and the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act of 1978 (SEQR), as amended (6 NYCRR part 617). The EIS and NEPA process also address historic preservation and cultural resource issues under section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470f). This notice is given in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality regulations at 40 CFR parts 1500-1508.

The Final EIS assesses the potential environmental impacts associated with the implementation of the following alternatives: (1) The Master Plan, Urban Renewal Plan and Mulford Gardens HOPE VI Revitalization Plan, (2) the Ashburton Avenue Master Plan improvements without a continuous street widening, (3) a reduced/modified scale of the Mulford Gardens HOPE VI Revitalization Plan, and (4) a no action alternative.

**DATES:** Written comments on the Final EIS will be accepted for a period of 30 days after publication of the notice of availability in the **Federal Register**. A Record of Decision will be made at the end of the 30-day period. Written comments may be sent by mail or facsimile to Lee Ellman, Planning Director, City of Yonkers, 87 Nepperhan

Avenue, Suite 311, Yonkers NY 10701-3874, telephone (914) 377-6558, Web site: [lee.ellman@cityofyonkers.com](mailto:lee.ellman@cityofyonkers.com).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To obtain copies of the Final EIS or for more information, contact Lee Ellman, Department of Planning and Development, 87 Nepperhan Avenue, Suite 311, Yonkers, NY 10701-3874, telephone (914) 377-6558; e-mail [lee.ellman@cityofyonkers.com](mailto:lee.ellman@cityofyonkers.com). Copies of the Final EIS are available for review at the Yonkers Riverfront Library, 1 Larkin Center, Yonkers, NY 10701 or online at <http://www.cityofyonkers.com>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The City of Yonkers has determined that the Proposed Action constitutes an action which has the potential to affect the quality of the human environment in terms of socioeconomics, housing, and improvements to the existing transportation system. Therefore the City, as Lead Agency, has prepared an EIS to examine the potential impacts of implementing the components of the Master Plan and Urban Renewal Plan. Since it is anticipated that transportation improvements and new residential construction will be at least in part funded with federal monies, the City has prepared the EIS in accordance with NEPA. The Notice of the Availability of the Draft EIS was published in the **Federal Register** on September 28, 2005 (70 FR 56734).

The analysis of the Ashburton Avenue Master Plan and Urban Renewal Plan consists of a generic discussion of the