

EXHIBIT 2.—ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST BURDEN—Continued

Interview participants	Number of respondents	Total burden hours	Average hourly wage rate*	Total cost burden
Qualitative Interviews .....	10	5	\$43.78	\$219
Pre-intervention Provider Log .....	138	13.8	\$43.78	\$605
Post-intervention Provider Log .....	138	13.8	\$43.78	\$605
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>1,898</b>	<b>na</b>	<b>\$66,114</b>

\* For Patient/Family Participants: Based upon the mean of the average wages for all occupations, National Compensation Survey, "U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics."

\* For Provider Participants: Based upon the mean of the average wages for physicians (\$65.54/hr) and nurses (\$43.85/hr) in the New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Pennsylvania region, National Compensation Survey, "U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics." For Pulmonary Fellows: Based upon internal Yale University School of Medicine data.

**Estimated Annual Costs to the Federal Government**

The total cost to the Federal Government for this project is \$399,970 over a two year period. The average annual cost is \$199,985. The following is a breakdown of the average annual costs:

Direct Costs:	
Personnel .....	\$159,488.5
Consultancies .....	5,475
Data support .....	5,336.5
Indirect Costs:	
Indirect costs .....	29,685
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$199,985</b>

**Request for Comments**

In accordance with the above-cited Paperwork Reduction Act legislation, comments on AHRQ's information collection are requested with regard to any of the following: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of AHRQ health care research and health care information dissemination functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of AHRQ's estimate of burden (including hours and costs) of the proposed collection(s) 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 upon the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the Agency's subsequent request for OMB approval of the proposed information collection. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 10, 2008.

**Carolyn M. Clancy,**  
Director.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality**

**National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality: Request for Nominations for Public Members**

**AGENCY:** Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), HHS.

**ACTION:** Request for nominations for public members.

**SUMMARY:** Section 931 of the Public Health Service Act (PHS Act), 42 U.S.C. 299c, established a National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality (the Council). The Council is to advise the Secretary of HHS (Secretary) and the Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) on matters related to activities of the Agency to improve the quality, safety, efficiency, and effectiveness of health care for all Americans.

Seven current members' terms will expire in November 2008. To fill these positions in accordance with the legislative mandate establishing the Council, we are seeking individuals who are distinguished: (1) In the conduct of research, demonstration projects, and evaluations with respect to health care; (2) in the fields of health care quality research or health care improvement; (3) in the practice of medicine; (4) in other health professions; (5) in representing the private health care sector (including health plans, providers, and purchasers) or administrators of health care delivery systems; (6) in the fields of health care economics, information systems, law, ethics, business, or public policy; and, (7) in representing the interests of patients and consumers of health care. Individuals are particularly sought with experience and success in activities specified in the summary above.

**DATES:** Nominations should be received on or before June 15, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations should be sent to Ms. Deborah Queenan, AHRQ, 540 Gaither Road, Room 3238, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Nominations also may be faxed to (301) 427-1341.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Deborah Queenan, AHRQ, at (301) 427-1330.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 931 of the PHS Act, 42 U.S.C. 299c, provides that the Secretary shall appoint to the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality twenty-one appropriately qualified individuals. At least seventeen members shall be representatives of the public and at least one member shall be a specialist in the rural aspects of one or more of the professions or fields listed in the above summary. In addition, the Secretary designates, as ex officio members, representatives from other Federal agencies specified in the authorizing legislation, principally agencies that conduct or support health care research, as well as Federal officials the Secretary may consider appropriate. The Council meets in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area, generally in Rockville, Maryland, approximately three times a year to provide broad guidance to the Secretary and AHRQ's Director on the direction of and programs undertaken by AHRQ.

Seven individuals will be selected presently by the Secretary to serve on the Council beginning with the meeting in the spring of 2009. Members generally serve 3-year terms. Appointments are staggered to permit an orderly rotation of membership.

Interested persons may nominate one or more qualified persons for membership on the Council. Self-nominations are accepted. Nominations shall include: (1) A copy of the nominee's resume or curriculum vitae; and (2) a statement that the nominee is willing to serve as a member of the Council. Selected candidates will be asked to provide detailed information concerning their financial interests, consultant positions and research grants

and contracts, to permit evaluation of possible sources of conflict of interest.

The Department seeks a broad geographic representation and has special interest in assuring that women, minority groups, and the physically handicapped are adequately represented on advisory bodies, and therefore, particularly encourages nominations for appropriately qualified female, minority, and/or physically handicapped candidates.

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**Carolyn M. Clancy,**

*Director.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

*Title:* Innovative Strategies for Increasing Self Sufficiency (ISIS)—Intervention Strategy Assessment Guide.

*OMB No.:* New Collection.

*Description:* The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is proposing a data collection activity as part of the Innovative Strategies for Increasing Self-Sufficiency (ISIS) demonstration and evaluation. The ISIS project will test a range of promising strategies to promote employment, self-sufficiency, and reduce dependence on cash welfare. The ISIS project will evaluate multiple employment-focused strategies that build on previous approaches and are adapted to the current Federal, State, and local policy environment. The

major goals of the project include increasing the empirical knowledge about the effectiveness of a variety of programs for low-income families to sustain employment and advance to positions that enable self-sufficiency, as well as producing useful findings for both policymakers and program administrators.

This proposed information collection activity focuses on identifying promising strategies to be tested as part of the study. Through semi-structured discussions, respondents will be asked to comment on the most important strategies and interventions for potential evaluation.

*Respondents:* Semi-structured discussions will be held with administrators or staff of State agencies, local agencies, and programs with responsibility for employment-related services or activities for welfare and other low-income families; researchers in the field of welfare policy, poverty, economic self-sufficiency, and low-wage labor markets; and policymakers at various levels of government.

**ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES**

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total annual burden hours
Intervention Strategy Assessment Guide .....	400	1	.5	200

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 200.

*Additional Information:* Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. E-mail address: [OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov).

*OMB Comment:* OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Fax: 202-395-6974, Attn: Desk Officer for the Administration for Children and Families.

Dated: April 14, 2008.

**Brendan C. Kelly,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request**

*Title:* Generic Clearance to Conduct Pre-Testing of Surveys.

*OMB No.:* New Collection.

*Description:* The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), intends to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a generic clearance that will allow OPRE to conduct a variety of data-gathering activities aimed at identifying questionnaire and procedural problems in survey administration. Over the next three years, OPRE anticipates

undertaking a variety of new surveys as part of research projects in the fields of cash welfare, employment and self-sufficiency, Head Start, child care, healthy marriage and responsible fatherhood, and child welfare, among others. In order to improve the development of its research and evaluation surveys, OPRE envisions using a variety of techniques including field tests, respondent debriefing questionnaires, cognitive interviews, and focus groups in order to identify questionnaire and procedural problems, suggest solutions, and measure the relative effectiveness of alternative survey solutions.

Following standard OMB requirements, OPRE will submit a change request to OMB individually for every data collection activity undertaken under this generic clearance. OPRE will provide OMB with a copy of the individual instrument or questionnaire, as well as other materials describing the project and specific survey pre test.

*Respondents:* The respondents will be identified at the time that each change request is submitted to OMB. Generally, they will be individuals who are