

National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

Section 306 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act (42 U.S.C. 242k), as amended, authorizes that the Secretary of Health and Human Services (DHHS), acting through NCHS, shall collect statistics on “the extent and nature of illness and disability of the population of the United States.” This is a request for a generic approval from OMB to conduct customer surveys over the next three years.

As part of a comprehensive program, the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) plans to continue to assess its customers’ satisfaction with the quality and relevance of the information it produces. NCHS will conduct voluntary

customer surveys to assess strengths in agency products and services and to evaluate how well it addresses the emerging needs of its data users. Results of these surveys will be used in future planning initiatives.

The data will be collected using a combination of methodologies appropriate to each survey. These may include: evaluation forms, mail surveys, focus groups, automated and electronic technology (e.g., e-mail, Web-based surveys), and telephone surveys. Systematic surveys of several groups will be folded into the program. Among these are Federal customers and policy makers, state and local officials who rely on NCHS data, the broader educational, research, and public health community, and other data users. Respondents may include data users who register for and/or attend NCHS

sponsored conferences; persons who access the NCHS Web site and the detailed data available through it; consultants; and others. Respondent data items may include (in broad categories) information regarding respondent’s gender, age, occupation, affiliation, location, etc., to be used to characterize responses only. Other questions will attempt to obtain information that will characterize the respondents’ familiarity with and use of NCHS data, their assessment of data content and usefulness, general satisfaction with available services and products, and suggestions for improvement of services and products.

The resulting information will be for NCHS internal use. There is no cost to respondents other than their time to participate in the survey.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE

Type of survey	Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses/respondent	Average burden/response (in hours)	Total burden hours
Questionnaire for conference registrants/attendees.	Public/private researchers, Consultants, and others.	1,000	1	10 / 60	167
Focus groups	Public/private researchers, Consultants, and others.	80	1	1	80
Web-based	Public/private researchers, Consultants, and others.	1,200	1	10 / 60	200
Other customer surveys	Public/private researchers, Consultants, and others.	400	1	15 / 60	100
Total	2,680	547

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Board of Scientific Counselors, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health: Notice of Charter Renewal

This gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) of October 6, 1972, that the Board of Scientific Counselors, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Department of Health and Human Services, has been renewed for a 2-year period through February 3, 2011.

For information, contact Roger Rosa, Ph.D., Executive Secretary, Board of

Scientific Counselors, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 715H, Mailstop P12, Washington, DC 20201, telephone 202/205-7856 or fax 202/260-4464.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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Elaine L. Baker,

Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee: Notice of Charter Renewal

This gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) of October 6, 1972, that the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee, Department of Health and Human Services, has been renewed for a 2-year period through January 19, 2011.

For information, contact Michael Bell, M.D., Executive Secretary, Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee, Department of Health and Human Services, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop A07, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/639-6490 or fax 404/639-4043.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee

management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

National Center for Injury Prevention and Control Initial Review Group (NCIPC, IRG)

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting of the aforementioned committee:

Time and Date: 9 a.m.–9:30 a.m., March 19, 2009 (Open). 9:30 a.m.–6 p.m., March 19, 2009 (Closed).

Place: Embassy Suites of Buckhead, 3285 Peachtree Road, Atlanta, GA 30305, telephone: (404) 261-7733.

Status: Portions of the meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 552b(c)(4) and (6), Title 5, U.S.C., and the Determination of the Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, CDC, pursuant to Section 10(d) of Public Law 92-463.

Purpose: This group is charged with providing advice and guidance to the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, and the Director, CDC, concerning the scientific and technical merit of grant and cooperative agreement applications received from academic institutions and other public and private profit and nonprofit organizations, including State and local government agencies, to conduct specific injury research that focuses on prevention and control.

Matters to be Discussed: The meeting will include the review, discussion, and evaluation of individual research grant applications submitted in response to Fiscal Year 2009 Requests for Applications related to the following individual research announcement: RFA-CE-09-005, "Research Priorities in Acute Injury Care (R01)".

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person for More Information: Jane Suen, Dr.P.H., M.S., NCIPC, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, NE., Mailstop F-62, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, telephone: (770) 488-4281; fax (770) 488-4422.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and

other committee management activities for both CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following public meeting: "Partnerships to Advance the National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA)."

Public Meeting Time and Date: 10 a.m.–4 p.m. EDT, June 17, 2009.

Place: Patriots Plaza, 395 E Street, SW., Conference Room 9000, Washington, DC 20201.

Purpose of Meeting: The National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) has been structured to engage partners with each other and/or with NIOSH to advance NORA priorities. The NORA Liaison Committee continues to be an opportunity for representatives from organizations with national scope to learn about NORA progress and to suggest possible partnerships based on their organization's mission and contacts. This opportunity is now structured as a public meeting via the internet to attract participation by a larger number of organizations and to further enhance the success of NORA. Some of the types of organizations of national scope that are especially encouraged to participate are employers, unions, trade associations, labor associations, professional associations, and foundations. Others are welcome.

This meeting will include updates from NIOSH leadership on NORA as well as updates from approximately half of the Sector Councils on their progress, priorities, and implementation plans to date, including the Construction Sector; Manufacturing Sector; Services Sector;

Public Safety Sub-Sector; and Wholesale and Retail Trade Sector. Updates will also be given on cross-council coordination activities in the areas of surveillance and safety culture. After each update, there will be time to discuss partnership opportunities.

Status: The meeting is open to the public, limited only by the capacities of the conference call and conference room facilities. There is limited space available in the meeting room (capacity 34). Therefore, information to allow participation in the meeting through the internet (to see the slides) and a teleconference call (capacity 50) will be provided to registered participants. Participants are encouraged to consider attending by this method. Each participant is requested to register for the free meeting by sending an e-mail to noracoordinator@cdc.gov containing the participant's name, organization name, contact telephone number on the day of the meeting, and preference for participation by web meeting (requirements include: computer, internet connection, and telephone, preferably with "mute" capability) or in person. An e-mail confirming registration will include the details needed to participate in the web meeting. Non-US citizens are encouraged to participate in the web meeting. Non-US citizens registering to attend in person after June 3 will not have time to comply with security procedures.

Background: NORA is a partnership program to stimulate innovative research in occupational safety and health leading to improved workplace practices. Unveiled in 1996, NORA has become a research framework for the nation. Diverse parties collaborate to identify the most critical issues in workplace safety and health. Partners then work together to develop goals and objectives for addressing those needs and to move the research results into practice. The NIOSH role is facilitator of the process. For more information about NORA, see <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/nora/about.html>.

Since 2006, NORA has been structured according to industrial sectors. Eight sector groups have been defined using the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS). After receiving public input through the web and town hall meetings, NORA Sector Councils have been working to define sector-specific strategic plans for conducting research and moving the results into widespread practice. During 2008-09, most of these Councils have posted draft strategic plans for public comment. Two have posted finalized National Sector