

serve as a guide, but do not standardize the information to be collected. The non-standardized approach to progress reporting has resulted in CCC program reports that vary in content and detail, and cannot be readily compiled to produce summary reports. OMB approval has not previously been obtained for the collection of this information.

CDC seeks OMB approval to implement a new database-driven Management Information System (MIS) for the collection of standardized progress and performance information. The MIS will achieve two objectives.

First, the MIS will provide an organized source of information about the activities and accomplishments of all funded NCCCP programs. Secondly, the electronic MIS will provide an efficient mechanism for generating State, regional, and national level summary reports.

Information reported through the MIS will be used by CDC to identify training and technical assistance needs, monitor compliance with cooperative agreement requirements, evaluate progress made in achieving program-specific goals, and obtain information needed to respond to Congressional and other inquiries

regarding program activities and effectiveness.

OMB approval is requested for a three-year period. Information will be collected electronically twice per year. The initial burden per response is estimated to be six hours. After respondents have become experienced with entering data, and the amount of new data to be entered decreases, the burden per response is expected to decrease. The total estimated annualized burden hours are 780. There are no costs to respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)
NCCCP grantees	65	2	6

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Proposed Project

School Associated Violent Death Surveillance System (0920-0604)—Extension—National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

The Division of Violence Prevention (DVP), National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) proposes to maintain a system for the surveillance of school-associated homicides and suicides. The system will rely on existing public records and interviews with law enforcement officials and school officials. The purpose of the system is to (1) estimate the rate of school-associated violent death in the United States and (2) identify common features of school-associated violent deaths. The system will contribute to the understanding of fatal violence associated with schools, guide further research in the area, and help direct ongoing and future prevention programs.

Violence is the leading cause of death among young people, and increasingly recognized as an important public health and social issue. In 2006, over 3,200 school aged children (5 to 18 years old) in the United States died violent deaths due to suicide, homicide, and unintentional firearm injuries. The vast majority of these fatal injuries were not school associated. However, whenever a homicide or suicide occurs in or around school, it becomes a matter of particularly intense public interest and concern. NCIPC conducted the first scientific study of school-associated violent deaths during the 1992-99 academic years to establish the true extent of this highly visible problem. Despite the important role of schools as a setting for violence research and prevention interventions, relatively little scientific or systematic work has

been done to describe the nature and level of fatal violence associated with schools. Until NCIPC conducted the first nationwide investigation of violent deaths associated with schools, public health and education officials had to rely on limited local studies and estimated numbers to describe the extent of school-associated violent death.

The system will draw cases from the entire United States in attempting to capture all cases of school-associated violent deaths that have occurred. Investigators will review public records and published press reports concerning each school-associated violent death. For each identified case, investigators will also interview an investigating law enforcement official (defined as a police officer, police chief, or district attorney), and a school official (defined as a school principal, school superintendent, school counselor, school teacher, or school support staff) who are knowledgeable about the case in question. The investigators will interview 35 school officials annually. They will also interview 35 law enforcement officials annually. Researchers will request information on both the victim and alleged offender(s)—including demographic data, their academic and criminal records, and their relationship to one another. They will also collect data on the time and location of the death; the circumstances, motive, and method of the fatal injury; and the security and violence prevention activities in the school and community where the death occurred, before and after the fatal injury event. The

estimated annual burden hours is 70.

There are no costs to the respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)
School Officials	35	1	60/60
Law Enforcement Officials	35	1	60/60

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Proposed Project

STD Surveillance Network (SSuN)—Existing collection without an OMB number—National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHHSTP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

The purpose of the proposed study is to improve the capacity of national,

state, and local STD programs to detect, monitor, and respond rapidly to trends in STDs through enhanced collection, reporting, analysis, visualization and interpretation of disease information. A pilot project that took place from 2006 to 2008 informed the design of the currently submitted SSuN project. The pilot project was helpful in establishing the sample size estimations that will be used in the project and the standardization of the way in which questions will be asked of patients. OMB clearance was not sought for this pilot project because reporting sites (public health departments) instead of people were mistakenly counted as respondents. There were only 6 sites that were reporting data to CDC for the clinic portion of the project; however, more than 10 subjects were involved with the population portion of the pilot.

The SSuN Project will be an active STD sentinel surveillance network comprised of 12 surveillance sites around the United States. SSuN will use two surveillance strategies to collect information. The first will be a STD clinic-based surveillance which will extract data from existing electronic medical records for all patient visits at participating STD clinics over the 3 years. The second will be a population-based surveillance in which a sample of individuals reported with gonorrhea to the 12 SSuN state or city health departments are interviewed using locally designed interview templates.

For the clinic-based surveillance, the specified data elements will be abstracted on a quarterly basis from existing electronic medical records for all patient visits to participating clinics. Data in the electronic medical record

may be collected at time of registration, during the clinic encounter, or through laboratory testing. For the population-based STD surveillance, the results of interviews will be entered into a developed Microsoft Access database that will be adapted locally for each clinic. High quality, informative, and timely surveillance data are necessary to guide STD programs so interventions are designed and implemented appropriately. Furthermore, surveillance data are necessary for understanding the impact of STD interventions based on the epidemiology of each STD.

This information will be collected to establish an integrated network of sentinel STD clinics and health departments to inform and guide national programs and policies for STD control in the US. It will improve the capacity of national, state, and local STD programs to detect, monitor, and respond to established and emerging trends in STDs, HIV, and viral hepatitis. SSuN will help identify and evaluate the effectiveness of public health interventions to reduce STD morbidity.

The SSuN surveillance platform will allow CDC to establish and maintain common standards for data collection, transmission, and analysis, and will allow CDC to build and maintain STD surveillance expertise in 12 surveillance areas. Such common systems, established mechanisms of communication, and in-place expertise are all critical components for timely, flexible, and high quality surveillance.

There is no cost to respondents other than their time. The total estimated annual burden hours are 432.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Types of respondent	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)
SSuN site	12	4	2
Gonorrhea Case	2880	1	7/60