## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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### Agency Information Collection Request; 60-Day Public Comment Request

*Agency:* Office of the Secretary, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary (OS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of a proposed information collection request for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, e-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and OS document identifier, to *Sherette.funncoleman@hhs.gov*, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (202) 690–6162. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be directed to the OS Paperwork Clearance Officer at the above e-mail address within 60-days.

*Proposed Project:* Assessing the Availability of Primary Care Physicians Accepting New Patients and Timeliness of Services for New Patients Using a Mystery Shopper Approach—OMB No. 0990–NEW—Assistant Secretary Planning Evaluation (ASPE).

*Abstract:* The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) is requesting Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval on a new collection to utilize a mystery shopper approach to collect data from physician offices in order to accurately gauge availability of Primary Care Physicians (PCPs) accepting new patients, assess the timeliness of services from PCPs, and gain insight into the precise reasons that PCP availability is lacking. This study will provide current information on the availability and accessibility of PCPs to publicly and privately insured patients with a range of medical needs. To conduct this study, ASPE will contact 465 PCPs in each of the nine selected states. Each PCP's office will be contacted twice; once using a privately insured patient scenario, and once using a publicly insured patient scenario. The scenarios will simulate requests for an appointment with the sampled PCP from a new patient with both public or private insurance and either an urgent medical concern or routine exam appointment. A standard protocol will accompany each patient scenario, ensuring that the key research questions are addressed and the necessary standardized information from the calls is collected. Additionally, 465 PCPs across all the nine states will be contacted a third time using a direct questioning approach. These physicians will be informed about the study and asked directly if they are accepting new patients and how long it would take to obtain an appointment. The purpose of this additional data collection component is to evaluate the validity of the mystery shopper approach in generating accurate estimates of physician availability and timeliness of services. Data collection activities will be completed within 4 months of OMB Clearance.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE

| Type of respondent | Number of respondents | Responses per respondent | Total responses | Hours per response | Total burden hours |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| PCP Office Staff (Mystery Shopper) | 4,185 | 2 | 8,370 | 5/60 | 698 |
| PCP Office Staff (Direct Questioning) | 465 | 1 | 465 | 5/60 | 39 |
| Total | | | | | 737 |

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*Proposed Project:* SF–424 Research and Related Form-Extension—OMB No. 4040–0001—Grants.gov.

*Abstract* The SF–424 Research and Related form (R&R) is an OMB approved collection (4040–0001). We propose revising the collection to include changes adopted by the cross-agency R&R working group. This working group established the original proposed collection of 4040–0001 in 2004. The form instructions will also be revised.

This collection will be utilized by up to 26 Federal grant-making agencies. The 4040–0001 collection expires on

June 30, 2011. We are requesting a three-year clearance of this collection. The 4040–0001 proposed collection encompasses 14 forms.

There are four requested changes to the SF 424 (R&R) Application for Federal Assistance (Cover) and, there are four requested changes to the R&R Other Project Information form.

These changes to the instructions will increase data quality and clarity for the collection. Agencies will not be required to collect all of the information in the proposed data set. The agency will identify the data that must be provided by applicants through instructions that will accompany the application forms.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE FOR SF–424 R&R

| Agency | Type of respondent | Number of annual respondents | Number of responses per respondent | Average burden on respondent per response in hours | Total burden hours |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| DHS | Grant Applicant | 173 | 1 | 60 | 10,380 |
| DOC | Grant Applicant | 165 | 1 | 60 | 9,900 |
| DOD | Grant Applicant | 17,943 | 1 | 60 | 1,076,580 |
| DOE | Grant Applicant | 7,292 | 1 | 60 | 437,520 |
| DOI | Grant Applicant | 41 | 1 | 60 | 2,460 |
| DOT | Grant Applicant | 370 | 1 | 60 | 22,200 |
| ED | Grant Applicant | 2,000 | 1 | 60 | 120,000 |
| HHS | Grant Applicant | 62,133 | 1 | 60 | 3,727,980 |
| NARA | Grant Applicant | 1 | 1 | 60 | 60 |
| NASA | Grant Applicant | 102 | 1 | 60 | 6,120 |
| NRC | Grant Applicant | 2 | 1 | 60 | 120 |
| NSF | Grant Applicant | 1,001 | 1 | 60 | 60,060 |
| USAID | Grant Applicant | 9 | 1 | 60 | 540 |
| USDA | Grant Applicant | 6,349 | 1 | 60 | 380,940 |
| Total | | 97,581 | | | 5,854,860 |

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### Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority; National Institutes of Health

Part N, National Institutes of Health, of the Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority for the Department of Health and Human Services (40 FR 22859, May 27, 1975, as amended most recently at 66 FR 6617, January 22, 2001, and redesignated from Part HN as Part N at 60 FR 56605, November 9, 1995), is amended as set forth below to establish the Division of the National Toxicology Program (NTP) within the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS).

Section N–V, Organization and Functions, is amended as follows:

Immediately after the paragraph headed "Office of Translational Research" (N V4, formerly HN V4), insert the following:

Division of the National Toxicology Program (N V5, formerly HN V5). (1) Provides toxicological evaluations on substances of public health concern; (2) develops and validates improved toxicology methods (more sensitive, specific, and rapid); (3) develops approaches and generates data to strengthen the science base for risk assessments; and (4) communicates results with all stakeholders. Program goals are achieved through a highly integrated, cooperative research and testing program carried out through in-house research, research and development contracts, cooperative agreements, and other support mechanisms.

Biomolecular Screening Branch (N V52, formerly HN V52). (1) Develops research and testing activities in high and medium throughput screening assays for rapid detection of biological activities of significance to toxicology and carcinogenesis, (2) carries out the NTP automated screening assays with C. elegans, (3) develops analysis tools and approaches to allow an integrated assessment of high throughput screening endpoints and associations with findings from traditional toxicology and cancer models, and (4) develops assays and approaches to understand the genetic and epigenetic bases for differences in susceptibility.

Cellular and Molecular Pathology Branch (N V53, formerly HN V53). Responsible for (1) managing, evaluating, reviewing, and reporting all pathology data generated through conduct of NTP toxicity and carcinogenicity studies; (2) establishing standards, terminology, and diagnostic criteria for rodent pathology; (3) providing laboratory animal medicine support for the NTP and Division of Intramural Research (DIR); (4) maintaining the NTP Archives; and (5) managing pathology, toxicology, and other contracts to support NTP and DIR investigators. Staff veterinary scientists provide collaborative pathology diagnostic support for DIR investigators and mentoring/training in toxicologic pathology and laboratory animal medicine.

Program Operations Branch (N V54, formerly HN V54). (1) Provides recommendations to the NTP for scientific, administrative, and fiscal procedures and requirements by which NTP goals may be accomplished through in-house and contract activities; (2) provides resources for analytical chemistry, toxicokinetics, and evaluations of bioavailability and biotransformation; (3) initiates the contract award process and participates with the NIEHS contracts office in the review and award of the contract; (5) manages toxicity and carcinogenicity studies performed under contract and monitors them for technical and fiscal performance; (6) manages the receipt, maintenance, tracking, and dissemination of NTP documents and data.

Toxicology Branch (N V55, formerly HN V55). (1) Responsible for the design, interpretation, review, and reporting of general toxicology and carcinogenicity studies, usually in rodent models, as well as studies to evaluate targeted effects on the immune system, reproduction, development, and interference with chromosomes and