

## ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE—Continued

Data collection task	Instrument/form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses/respondent	Average burden/re-sponse (in hours)	Total response burden (in hours)
In person focus groups (health intermediaries).	Screener .....	210	1	10/60	35
	Focus Group .....	70	1	1.5	105
	Confidentiality Agreement .....	70	1	5/60	5.8
In person focus groups (public health professionals).	Screener .....	140	1	10/60	23.3
	Focus Group .....	70	1	1.5	105
	Confidentiality Agreement .....	70	1	5/60	5.8
Remote focus groups (consumers with limited health literacy and/or Spanish speakers).	Screener .....	168	1	10/60	28
	Focus Group .....	42	1	1.5	63
	Confidentiality Agreement .....	42	1	5/60	3.5
Remote focus groups (health intermediaries).	Screener .....	126	1	10/60	21
	Focus Group .....	42	1	1.5	63
	Confidentiality Agreement .....	42	1	5/60	3.5
Remote focus groups (public health professionals).	Screener .....	84	1	10/60	14
	Focus Group .....	42	1	1.5	63
	Confidentiality Agreement .....	42	1	5/60	3.5
In person usability and prototype testing of materials (print and Web).	Screener .....	160	1	10/60	26.7
	Usability Test .....	40	1	1.5	60
	Confidentiality Agreement .....	40	1	5/60	3.3
Remote usability, prototype and concept testing.	Screener .....	200	1	10/60	.....
	Web-test .....	50	1	1	50
	Confidentiality Agreement .....	50	1	5/60	4.2
In person card sorting .....	Screener .....	120	1	10/60	20
	Card Sort .....	30	1	1.5	45
	Confidentiality Agreement .....	30	1	5/60	2.5
Web-based card sorting .....	Screener .....	400	1	10/60	66.6
	Card Sort .....	100	1	.5	50
	Confidentiality Agreement .....	100	1	5/60	8.3
Web-based message testing .....	Screener .....	0	0	0	0
	Web-test .....	115	1	1	115
	Confidentiality Agreement .....	115	1	5/60	9.6
Childhood Obesity Prevention communications campaign.	Online consumer surveys, a telephone survey and qualitative interviews.	921	1	.25	246
TOTAL .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1642.9

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Meeting of the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the public meeting of the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and

Services (Advisory Council). Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2)). The Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services provides advice on how to prevent or reduce the burden of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias on people with the disease and their caregivers. The Advisory Council will discuss implementation of the National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease.

**DATES:** Meeting Date: July 23, 2012 from 9:00am to 4:30pm EDT.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence

Avenue SW., Room 800, Washington, DC 20201.

**Comments:** Time is allocated on the agenda to hear public comments. In lieu of oral comments, formal written comments may be submitted for the record to Jane Tilly, DrPH, OASPE, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Room 424E, Washington, DC 20201. Comments may also be sent to [napa@hhs.gov](mailto:napa@hhs.gov). Those submitting written comments should identify themselves and any relevant organizational affiliations.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jane Tilly, DrPH (202) 205-8999, [jane.tilly@hhs.gov](mailto:jane.tilly@hhs.gov). Note: Seating may be limited. Those wishing to attend the meeting must send an email to [napa@hhs.gov](mailto:napa@hhs.gov) and put "July 23 meeting attendance" in the Subject line by Friday, July 13, 2012, so that their

names may be put on a list of expected attendees and forwarded to the security officers at the Department of Health and Human Services. Any interested member of the public who is a non-U.S. citizen should include this information at the time of registration to ensure that the appropriate security procedure to gain entry to the building is carried out. Although the meeting is open to the public, procedures governing security and the entrance to Federal buildings may change without notice.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Topics of the Meeting: The Advisory Council will discuss implementation of the National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease. Procedure and Agenda: This meeting is open to the public.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 11225; Section 2(e)(3) of the National Alzheimer's Project Act. The panel is governed by provisions of Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

Dated: June 20, 2012.

**Sherry Glied,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

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

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approve the proposed information collection project: "Online Application Order Form for Products from the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP)." In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521, AHRQ invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by August 27, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be submitted to: Doris Lefkowitz, Reports Clearance Officer, AHRQ, by email at [doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov](mailto:doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov).

Copies of the proposed collection plans, data collection instruments, and specific details on the estimated burden

can be obtained from the AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Doris Lefkowitz, AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 427-1477, or by email at [doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov](mailto:doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Proposed Project**

*Online Application Order Form for Products From the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP)*

The Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP, pronounced "H-Cup") is a vital resource helping AHRQ achieve its research agenda, thereby furthering its goal of improving the delivery of health care in the United States. HCUP is a family of health care databases and related software tools and products developed through a Federal-State-Industry partnership and sponsored by AHRQ. HCUP includes the largest collection of longitudinal hospital care data in the United States, with all-payer, encounter-level information beginning in 1988. The HCUP databases are annual files that contain anonymous information from hospital discharge records for inpatient care and certain components of outpatient care, such as emergency care and ambulatory surgeries. The project currently releases a variety of databases created for research use on a broad range of health issues, including cost and quality of health services, medical practice patterns, access to health care programs, and outcomes of treatments at the national, State, and local market levels. HCUP also produces a large number of software tools to enhance the use of administrative health care data for research and public health use. Software tools use information available from a variety of sources to create new data elements, often through sophisticated algorithms, for use with the HCUP databases.

HCUP's objectives are to:

- Create and enhance a powerful source of national, state, and all-payer health care data.
- Produce a broad set of software tools and products to facilitate the use of HCUP and other administrative data.
- Enrich a collaborative partnership with statewide data organizations (that voluntarily participate in the project) aimed at increasing the quality and use of health care data.
- Conduct and translate research to inform decision making and improve health care delivery.

The HCUP releases six types of databases for public research use:

- (1) The Nationwide Inpatient Sample (NIS) is the largest all-payer inpatient

care database in the United States, containing data from approximately 8 million hospital stays from roughly 1,000 hospitals; this approximates a 20-percent stratified sample of U.S. community hospitals. NIS data releases are available for purchase from the HCUP Central Distributor for data years beginning in 1988.

- (2) The Kids' Inpatient Database (KID) is the only all-payer inpatient care database for children in the United States. The KID was specifically designed to permit researchers to study a broad range of conditions and procedures related to child health issues. The KID contains a sample of over 3 million discharges for children age 20 and younger from more than 3,500 U.S. community hospitals.

- (3) The Nationwide Emergency Department Sample (NEDS) is the largest all-payer ED database in the United States. It is constructed to capture information both on ED visits that do not result in an admission and on ED visits that result in an admission to the same hospital. The NEDS contains more than 25 million unweighted records for ED visits at about 1,000 U.S. community hospitals and approximates a 20-percent stratified sample of U.S. hospital-based EDs. Files are available beginning with data year 2006.

- (4) The State Inpatient Databases (SID) contain the universe of inpatient discharge abstracts from data organizations in 46 States that currently participate in the SID. Together, the SID encompasses approximately 97 percent of all U.S. community hospital discharges. Most States that participate in the SID make their data available for purchase through the HCUP Central Distributor. Files are available beginning with data year 1990.

- (5) The State Ambulatory Surgery Databases (SASD) contain data from ambulatory care encounters in hospital-affiliated (and sometimes freestanding) ambulatory surgery sites. Currently, 29 States participate in the SASD. Files are available beginning with data year 1997.

- (6) The State Emergency Department Databases (SEDD) contain data from hospital-affiliated emergency department (ED) abstracts for visits that do not result in a hospitalization. Currently, 29 States participate in the SEDD. Files are available beginning with data year 1999.

To support AHRQ's mission to improve health care through scientific research, HCUP databases and software tools are disseminated to users outside of the Agency through a mechanism known as the HCUP Central Distributor. The HCUP Central Distributor assists