

use the core competencies to improve performance evaluations by providing a framework to discuss and assess performance.

Core competencies have the potential to contribute to a “culture of competence” in which peer workers could use the competencies to engage in accurate self-assessment and seek out experiences to improve their competencies. For peer workers, core competencies could help to clarify what is expected in their role and will assist them in assessing their own strengths and limitations as a provider of peer support.

At this time, SAMHSA is requesting approval to use these two forms. The forms are described here:

1. *Peer Worker Telephone Interviews*: Peer worker interviews will be conducted by telephone with 20 peer workers to gather descriptive details about the interviewees’ use of the core competencies included in the quantitative surveys, their opinions about specific competencies, and their

beliefs about the usefulness of articulating core competencies for their peer worker roles. Qualitative interviews may also produce examples of how peer workers use specific competencies.

The information gathered by the Core Competencies Survey and the Peer Worker Telephone Interview will help SAMHSA guide the behavioral health field with workforce development efforts related to peer workers. This information is crucial to providing technical assistance to states, behavioral health organizations, peer-run and recovery community organizations, and organizations and institutions that provide training to peer workers in behavioral health.

2. *Core Competencies Survey*: The Core Competencies Survey was developed through an extensive process of literature reviews, synthesis of the competencies, expert panel review, and consensus-building activities. The Core Competencies Survey has 61 items and uses a 5-point Likert scale from 1-

unimportant to 5-very important. The items on the survey are specific competencies that were developed by the BRSS TACS team, their partners, and experts in peer-provided services in behavioral health. Respondents to the Core Competencies Survey will also complete a section on demographic characteristics of the participant’s gender, age, race/ethnicity, geographic location, level of education, monthly income, length of time as a peer worker, current field of employment, and certification status. Demographic data will be used to describe the survey respondents. The response to the current field of employment questions will be used to categorize the respondent as working primarily in addiction services, mental health services, or services for people with co-occurring disorders, a variable that will be included in specific analyses of the data.

The chart below summarizes the annualized burden for this project.

Type of respondent	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Hours per response	Total annual burden hours
Peer workers for interview	20	1	20	1	20
Peer workers for survey	100	1	100	1	100
Total	120	120	120

Written comments and recommendations concerning the proposed information collection should be sent by November 10, 2014 to the SAMHSA Desk Officer at the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB. To ensure timely receipt of comments, and to avoid potential delays in OMB’s receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, commenters are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to: OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov. Although commenters are encouraged to send their comments via email, commenters may also fax their comments to: 202–395–7285. Commenters may also mail them to: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, Washington, DC 20503.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

[OMB Control Number 1615–0106]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Petition for Qualifying Family Member of a U–1 Nonimmigrant, Form I–929; Extension, Without Change, of a Currently Approved Collection

ACTION: 60-day notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment upon this proposed extension of a currently approved collection of information. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the information collection notice is published in the **Federal Register** to obtain comments regarding the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (i.e. the time, effort, and resources used by the respondents to

respond), the estimated cost to the respondent, and the actual information collection instruments.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until December 8, 2014.

ADDRESSES: All submissions received must include the OMB Control Number 1615–0106 in the subject box, the agency name and Docket ID USCIS–2009–0010. To avoid duplicate submissions, please use only one of the following methods to submit comments:

(1) *Online.* Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking Portal Web site at www.regulations.gov under e-Docket ID number USCIS–2009–0010;

(2) *Email.* Submit comments to USCISFRComment@uscis.dhs.gov;

(3) *Mail.* Submit written comments to DHS, USCIS, Office of Policy and Strategy, Chief, Regulatory Coordination Division, 20 Massachusetts Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20529–2140.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments

Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking

Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to consider limiting the amount of personal information that you provide in any voluntary submission you make to DHS. DHS may withhold information provided in comments from public viewing that it determines may impact the privacy of an individual or is offensive. For additional information, please read the Privacy Act notice that is available via the link in the footer of <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Note: The address listed in this notice should only be used to submit comments concerning this information collection. Please do not submit requests for individual case status inquiries to this address. If you are seeking information about the status of your individual case, please check "My Case Status" online at: <https://egov.uscis.gov/cris/Dashboard.do>, or call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points:

- (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension, Without Change, of a Currently Approved Collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Petition for Qualifying Family Member of a U-1 Nonimmigrant.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the DHS sponsoring the collection:* I-929; USCIS.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or households. Section 245(m) of the

Immigration and Nationality Act (Act) allows certain qualifying family members who have never held U nonimmigrant status to seek lawful permanent residence or apply for immigrant visas. Before such family members may apply for adjustment of status or seek immigrant visas, the U-1 nonimmigrant who has been granted adjustment of status must file an immigrant petition on behalf of the qualifying family member using Form I-929. Form I-929 is necessary for USCIS to make a determination that the eligibility requirements and conditions are met regarding the qualifying family member.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* The estimated total number of respondents for the information collection I-929 is 2,000 and the estimated hour burden per response is 1 hour.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The total estimated annual hour burden associated with this collection is 2,000 hours.

(7) *An estimate of the total public burden (in cost) associated with the collection:* The estimated total annual cost burden associated with this collection of information is \$245,000.

If you need a copy of the information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please visit the Federal eRulemaking Portal site at: <http://www.regulations.gov>. We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Office of Policy and Strategy, Regulatory Coordination Division, 20 Massachusetts Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20529-2140, Telephone number 202-272-8377.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Refugee/Asylee Relative Petition, Form I-730; Extension, Without Change, of a Currently Approved Collection

ACTION: 60-Day Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment upon this proposed extension of a currently approved collection of information. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the information collection notice is published in the **Federal Register** to obtain comments regarding the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (i.e. the time, effort, and resources used by the respondents to respond), the estimated cost to the respondent, and the actual information collection instruments.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until December 8, 2014.

ADDRESSES: All submissions received must include the OMB Control Number 1615-0037 in the subject box, the agency name and Docket ID USCIS-2007-0030. To avoid duplicate submissions, please use only one of the following methods to submit comments:

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