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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

March 18, 2015.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to 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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), *OIRA\_Submission@omb.eop.gov* or fax (202) 395–5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250–7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720–8958.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it

displays a currently valid OMB control number.

### Food and Nutrition Service

*Title:* Supplementation Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment & Training Study.

*OMB Control Number:* 0584–NEW.

*Summary of Collection:* The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) serves as a safety net for families who are having difficulty obtaining adequate nutrition. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), which administers SNAP, also administers the SNAP Employment and Training (E&T) Program to assist members of households participating in SNAP in gaining skills, training or experience to "increase their ability to obtain regular employment". The Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 authorizes the USDA to conduct program research and evaluation activities to "implement an employment and training program designed by the State agency and approved by the Secretary for the purpose of assisting members of households participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program in gaining skills, training, work, or experience that will increase their ability to obtain regular employment (H.R. 2642, Pub. L. 113–128, Sec. 6(d)(4), p. 34)."

*Need and Use of the Information:* The study is needed to provide Food and Nutrition Service with information about the characteristics of work registrants, E&T participants, and the providers that serve them. This nationally representative study will identify the characteristics of registrants and participants, the challenges they face and the E&T services available to SNAP participants. The information generated will help FNS understand how these programs serve clients, what participants need to develop their skills, and whether current programs meet clients' needs. This study has three objectives: (1) To provide FNS with a detailed description of the characteristics of SNAP work registrants and SNAP E&T participants; (2) to describe the needs and challenges faced by registrants and participants in finding and retaining employment in the changing economy; and (3) to describe the characteristics of the E&T service providers and the types of services available to participants.

*Description of Respondents:* Not-for-profit institutions; Individual or households; Business or other for-profit; State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Number of Respondents:* 5,261.

*Frequency of Responses:* Reporting: On occasion.

*Total Burden Hours:* 2,238.

**Ruth Brown,**

*Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Food and Nutrition Service

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Study on Nutrition and Wellness Quality in Childcare Settings (SNAQCS)

**AGENCY:** Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on this proposed information collection. This collection is a new collection for the Study on Nutrition and Wellness Quality in Childcare Settings (SNAQCS).

**DATES:** Written comments on this notice must be received on or before May 22, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions that were used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments may be sent to: Joseph F. Robare, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1004, Alexandria, VA 22302. Comments may also be submitted via fax to the attention of Joseph F. Robare at 703-305-2128 or via email to [joseph.robare@fns.usda.gov](mailto:joseph.robare@fns.usda.gov). Comments will also be accepted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically.

All written comments will be open for public inspection at the office of the Food and Nutrition Service during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday) at 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1004, Alexandria, Virginia 22302.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will be a matter of public record.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Joseph F. Robare at 703-305-2128.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Study on Nutrition and Wellness Quality in Childcare Settings (SNAQCS).

*Form Number:* N/A.

*OMB Number:* Not Yet Assigned.

*Expiration Date:* Not Yet Determined.

*Type of Request:* New Collection.

*Abstract:* Good nutrition is a key to proper childhood development, but not enough is known about the food children are eating in childcare and related programs. In 2011, 32.7 million children were in a regular childcare arrangement while their parents worked or pursued other activities outside of the home, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. In recognition of the importance of nutrition and physical activity in childcare, Congress directed the USDA to conduct a Study on Nutrition and Wellness Quality in Childcare Settings (SNAQCS) in Section 223 of the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act (HHFKA) of 2010. The objectives set out by Congress encompass four broad topics: (1) Nutritional quality of foods offered, (2) physical activity, (3) sedentary activity, and (4) barriers to and facilitators of nutritional quality, physical activity, and participation by childcare centers and family day care homes in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). For efficiency, USDA is coordinating the collection of other important variables with the section 223 data collection. The intent of the study is to document the quality of meals and snacks offered

in childcare facilities, relative to the current *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* (DGA) which are prepared by USDA and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and the types of activities that might promote or inhibit healthy weight and development. The study will also provide insights into how nutritional quality and physical activity in childcare might be improved. Lastly, the study will collect data on the costs of childcare meals and snacks in relationship to CACFP reimbursements, other funding, and meal quality.

The study will take place in the context of heightened concern about adequate nutrition, diet quality and obesity in young children. These concerns and developing knowledge about nutritional requirements for appropriate childhood growth, as reflected in the updated 2010 DGA, led the Institute of Medicine (IOM) Food and Nutrition Board to recommend new meal requirements for the CACFP in its 2010 report *Child and Adult Care Food Program: Aligning Dietary Guidance for All*. USDA recently published a proposed rule in the **Federal Register** to update the CACFP meal requirements based on these recommendations (January 15, 2015; 80 FR 2037). While USDA has not yet implemented new CACFP meal requirements, the IOM recommendations provide significant benchmarks for assessing current meal quality in the CACFP. Moreover, a comparison between current meal characteristics and the IOM recommendations suggests the extent of change that would be required to implement the IOM recommendations. The need for research to establish a baseline of current meal characteristics and quality in childcare settings is acknowledged in the IOM report, as are the challenges of technical assistance, monitoring, and cost that would come with the implementation of new meal requirements. The proposed study will directly address key research recommendations from the IOM report.

The study seeks to collect a broad range of data from a nationally representative sample which would include: (1) Sponsors, directors, food preparers and/or provider staff of childcare centers, family day care homes, and after-school programs that participate in the CACFP and those that do not participate in CACFP; and (2) children and parents of children receiving care from CACFP childcare centers, family day care homes, and after-school programs during 2015–2016. The sample is designed to provide required levels of statistical precision

and data quality while minimizing data collection costs and respondent burden.

To address the study's three broad categories of research questions, the data collection activities to be undertaken subject to this notice will include the following surveys, forms, and interviews:

- Nutrition and wellness policies and practices in childcare settings:
  - Provider Web Survey
  - Menu Survey
  - Reference Portion Measurement Form
  - Table Waste Observation Form
- Child intake and weight status:
  - Child Food Diary (completed by parents)
  - Standing Height and Weight Form (collected by study staff)
  - Infant Food Intake Form
  - Parent Interview
- Cost of meals provided in CACFP childcare setting:
  - Sponsor Pre-visit Cost Survey
  - Sponsor Pre-visit Cost Form
  - Center Director Pre-visit Cost Survey
  - Sponsor Cost Interview
  - Center Director Cost Interview
  - Food Preparer Cost Interview
  - Overhead and Equipment Cost Worksheet

In addition, the study will include an Environmental Observation Form and a Meal Observation Form that will be completed by study staff and do not have any associated burden for study participants.

*Affected Public:* Respondent categories of affected public and the corresponding study participants will include: (a) Businesses (sample of childcare providers); and (b) individual/households (sample of children and their parents/guardians).

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 12,472. The total proposed final number of unique respondents will include: (a) 3,753 sponsors, directors, food preparers and/or provider staff of childcare centers, family day care homes, and after-school childcare providers childcare that participate in the USDA Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), and non-participating providers; (b) 3,000 children receiving care from CACFP childcare centers, family day care homes, and after-school programs; (c) 4,175 parents of children receiving care from CACFP childcare centers, family day care homes, and after-school childcare programs; and (d) 1,544 non-respondents.

*Estimated Frequency of Responses per Respondent:* 1.91 annually. All respondents will be asked to respond to or complete instruments as follows: (a)

Sponsors will be asked to complete the Sponsor Pre-visit Cost Survey, the Sponsor Pre-visit Cost Form, and the Sponsor Cost Interview; (b) directors will be asked to complete the Provider Web Survey, the Center Director Pre-visit Cost Survey, the Center Director Cost Interview, and the Overhead & Equipment Cost Worksheet; (c) food preparers will be asked to complete the Menu Survey, the Reference Portion Measurement Form, the Table Waste Observation Form, and the Food Preparer Cost Interview; (d) provider staff will be asked to complete the Infant Food Intake Form; (e) children will be

asked to cooperate with study staff who will weigh and measure them for the Standing Height and Weight Form; and (f) parents will be asked to complete a Parent Interview and the Child Food Diary for a childcare day, a non-childcare day, and a subsample will be asked to complete a third diary which could be either a childcare day or a non-childcare day. All respondents will be asked to respond to or complete each instrument only once with the exception of parents who will be asked to complete a Child Food Diary on 2–3 days.

*Estimated Total Annual Responses:* 23,767.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 35 minutes (0.59 hours). The estimated time of response varies from 4 minutes (0.07 hours) to 195 minutes (3.25 hours) depending on the respondent group, as shown in the table below. These estimates include time to read the initial materials as well as follow-up activities.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 13,945.99 hours. See the table below for estimated total annual burden for each type of respondent.

Affected public	Data collection activity	Respondents <sup>a</sup>	Estimated number of respondents	Frequency of response	Total annual responses	Average burden hours per response	Total annual burden hours estimate (hours)
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Provider Web Survey.	Non-respondents ....	352	1	352	0.07	24.64
		Directors .....	1,539	1	1,539	1.00	1,539.00
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Menu Survey (on-line).	Non-respondents ....	352	1	352	0.07	24.64
		Food preparers .....	1,539	1	1,539	2.93	4,509.27
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Reference Portion Measurement Form.	Non-respondents ....	44	1	44	0.07	3.08
		Food preparers .....	532	1	532	0.25	133.00
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Table Waste Observation Form.	Non-respondents ....	20	1	20	0.07	1.40
		Food preparers .....	372	1	372	0.08	29.76
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Infant Food Intake Form.	Non-respondents ....	2	1	2	0.07	0.14
		Provider staff .....	75	1	75	0.75	56.25
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Sponsor Pre-visit Cost Survey.	Non-respondents ....	143	1	143	0.07	10.01
		Sponsors .....	600	1	600	0.17	102.00
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Sponsor Pre-visit Cost Form.	Non-respondents ....	143	1	143	0.07	10.01
		Sponsors .....	600	1	600	0.17	102.00
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Center Director Pre-visit Cost Survey.	Non-respondents ....	143	1	143	0.07	10.01
		Directors .....	600	1	600	0.25	150.00
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Sponsor Cost Interview (inperson).	Non-respondents ....	143	1	143	0.07	10.01
		Sponsors .....	600	1	600	3.25	1,950.00
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Center Director Cost Interview (inperson).	Non-respondents ....	143	1	143	0.07	10.01
		Directors .....	600	1	600	0.75	450.00
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Food Preparer Cost Interview (inperson).	Non-respondents ....	143	1	143	0.07	10.01
		Food preparers .....	600	1	600	0.5	300.00
Businesses <sup>b</sup>	Overhead & Equipment Cost Worksheet.	Non-respondents ....	143	1	143	0.07	10.01
		Directors .....	600	1	600	0.17	102.00
Subtotal Businesses			4,602	2.18	10,028	0.95	9,547.25
Individuals/Households	Standing Height and Weight Form.	Non-respondents ....	158	1	158	0.07	11.06
		Children (collected by on-site study staff).	3,000	1	3,000	0.08	240.00
Individuals/Households	Child Food Diary (Childcare day).	Non-respondents ....	315	1	315	0.07	22.05
		Parents (reporting on children).	2,685	1	2,685	0.50	1,342.50
Individuals/Households	Child Food Diary (Non-childcare day).	Non-respondents ....	537	1	537	0.07	37.59
		Parents (reporting on children).	2,148	1	2,148	0.67	1,439.16
Individuals/Households	Child Food Diary (Third day).	Non-respondents ....	85	1	85	0.07	5.95
		Parents (reporting on children).	416	1	416	0.58	241.28
Individuals/Households	Parent interview .....	Non-respondents ....	220	1	220	0.07	15.40
		Parents .....	4,175	1	4,175	0.25	1,043.75
Subtotal Individuals/Households.			7,870	1.75	13,739	0.32	4,398.74
Grand Total ...			12,472	1.91	23,767	0.59	13,945.99

**Notes:**

<sup>a</sup> In some cases, an alternate respondent may be called upon by the respondent to provide specific information to complete the data collection activity. For example, the director may need specific information from a staff person involved in food preparation in order to complete the section of the form asking about meal and snacks policies if he/she does not have this information.

<sup>b</sup> Most of the childcare providers that will be included in the study will be businesses, though some will be operated by school districts and thus are public. No data are currently available to allow us to determine the percent that are businesses and the percent that are public. Similar to our procedures for determining burden in other studies of this population, we have classified all providers as businesses.

Dated: March 17, 2015.

**Audrey Rowe,**

*Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.*

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## ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

[Docket No. ATBCB-2013-0001]

**RIN 3014-AA42**

### Rail Vehicles Access Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Architectural and  
Transportation Barriers Compliance  
Board.

**ACTION:** Notice of charter renewal.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that  
the Rail Vehicles Access Advisory  
Committee's (RVAAC) charter is being  
renewed.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul  
Beatty, Designated Federal Officer at  
(202) 272-0012 (Voice); (202) 272-0072  
(TTY). Electronic mail address: [rvaac@  
access-board.gov](mailto:rvaac@access-board.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant  
to Section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal  
Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-  
463), and in accordance with Title 41 of  
the Code of Federal Regulations, section  
102-3.65(a), and following consultation  
with the Committee Management  
Secretariat, General Services  
Administration, the RVAAC charter is  
renewed. The Committee will provide  
advice to the Access Board on revising  
and updating our accessibility  
guidelines issued pursuant to the  
Americans with Disabilities Act for  
transportation vehicles that operate on  
fixed guideway systems (*e.g.*, rapid rail,  
light rail, commuter rail, intercity rail,  
and high speed rail). Additionally, the  
renewal of the RVAAC has been  
determined to be essential to the work  
of the Access Board and to be in the  
public interest in connection with the  
performance of duties required by law.  
The Committee will continue to operate  
in accordance with the provisions of the  
Federal Advisory Committee Act and  
the rules and regulations that  
implement that Act.

**David M. Capozzi,**  
*Executive Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Scoping Process

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries  
Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and  
Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),  
Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public scoping  
meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery  
Management Council will hold six  
scoping hearings in April 2015 for an  
Amendment to the Fishery Management  
Plan (FMP) for Atlantic Mackerel,  
Squid, and Butterfish (MSB). The  
current focus of the amendment is to  
consider alternatives to reduce the  
capacities of the longfin squid and *Illex*  
squid fleets as defined by vessels with  
limited access permits. At the scoping  
hearings the Council will also take any  
general comments on MSB fishery  
management, which could inform future  
Council actions besides this  
Amendment. There will also be a  
separate written comment period for  
Amendment scoping, which will be  
described in an upcoming **Federal  
Register** announcement as a "Notice of  
Intent (NOI)" to potentially develop an  
EIS that accompanies the Amendment.  
That NOI will also contain information  
regarding these scoping hearings, but to  
provide the public with sufficient  
advance notice of the hearings, this  
notice is being published now since the  
NOI will likely publish shortly before  
the scoping hearings.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held over  
several weeks between April 6, 2015  
and April 21, 2015. See **SUPPLEMENTARY  
INFORMATION** for specific dates and  
times.

**ADDRESSES:** See **SUPPLEMENTARY  
INFORMATION** for specific locations of the  
hearings.

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery  
Management Council, 800 N. State St.,  
Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone:  
(302) 674-2331.

*Comments:* Comments will be taken at  
all scoping hearings. A separate **Federal  
Register** announcement will be  
published soon that provides additional  
information on how to make written  
comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D. Executive  
Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery  
Management Council; telephone: (302)

526-5255. The Council's Web site,  
[www.mafmc.org](http://www.mafmc.org) also has details on the  
meeting locations, webinar access, and  
background materials. A scoping  
document will be posted to the Council  
Web site no later than March 24, 2015.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** There will  
be six scoping meetings (each lasting  
approximately 1-2 hours depending on  
attendance) with the following dates/  
times/locations:

1. Monday, April 6, 2015, 4 p.m.,  
Superior Trawl, 55 State Street,  
Narragansett, RI 02882; telephone: (401)  
782-1171.

2. Tuesday, April 7, 2015, 5 p.m.,  
Montauk Library, 871 Montauk  
Highway, Montauk, NY 11954;  
telephone: (631) 668-3377.

3. Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 5 p.m.,  
Fairfield Inn, 185 MacArthur Dr., New  
Bedford, MA 02740; telephone: (774)  
634-2000.

4. Monday, April 13, 2015, 6 p.m.,  
Congress Hall Hotel, 251 Beach Ave,  
Cape May, NJ 08204, telephone: (888)  
944-1816.

5. Wednesday, April 15, 2015, 5 p.m.,  
Ocean Place Resort, 1 Ocean Blvd., Long  
Branch, NJ, 07740; telephone: 732-571-  
4000.

6. Tuesday, April 21, 2015, 6 p.m.,  
This April 21, 2015 meeting will be  
conducted via webinar accessible via  
the internet from the Council's Web site,  
[www.mafmc.org](http://www.mafmc.org). The Virginia Marine  
Resources Commission will also provide  
in-person access to the webinar at its  
office at: 2600 Washington Avenue, 4th  
Floor, Newport News, VA 23607;  
telephone: (757) 247-2200. Members of  
the public may also attend in-person at  
the Council office address (see  
**ADDRESSES**) for this webinar meeting, if  
they contact the Council by April 19,  
2015. Please contact Jason Didden by  
April 19, 2015 at [jdidden@mafmc.org](mailto:jdidden@mafmc.org) or  
(302) 526-5254 if you would like to test/  
confirm that your computer is set up to  
access the webinar.

In the Council's 2015 Implementation  
Plan (available at [http://www.mafmc.  
org/strategic-plan/](http://www.mafmc.org/strategic-plan/)), the Council decided  
to initiate an action on a "Squid  
Capacity Amendment." There is  
considerable latent capacity in both the  
longfin squid and *Illex* squid fisheries—  
a small portion of vessels with limited  
access squid permits account for most  
landings in most years. The Council is  
concerned that activation of this latent  
capacity could cause problems in the  
fishery such as racing to fish and  
increased incidental catch of non-target  
species. Accordingly, the Amendment is  
likely to consider a variety of  
approaches for reducing capacity in the  
squid fisheries. Such approaches could