

Administration in fulfilling ACF's Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Federal Manager's Financial (FMFIA) Management Control Officer responsibilities, including preparation of the CFO 5-Year Plan; performs audit oversight and liaison activities, including preparing reports to Congress, Office of the General Counsel, and the Office of the Inspector General. OFS writes/interprets financial policy and researches appropriation law issues; oversees and coordinates ACF's FMFIA activities; performs debt management functions; develops and administers quality assurance, training, and certification programs for grants management; and is responsible for the annual preparation and audit of ACF's financial statement requirements.

The Office develops/interprets internal policies and procedures for ACF components and coordinates the management of ACF's interagency agreement activities. The Office provides agency-wide guidance to program and regional office staff on grant-related issues, including developing and interpreting financial and grants policy, coordinating strategic grants planning, facilitating policy advisory groups, and assuring consistent grant program announcements. The Office prepares, coordinates, and disseminates action transmittals, information memoranda, and other policy guidance on financial and grants management issues; provides financial and grants administration technical assistance to ACF staff; directs and/or coordinates management initiatives to improve financial administration of ACF mandatory and discretionary grant programs. OFS develops and administers grants management training for ACF program and grants staff and administers grants management certification for ACF grants staff.

III. Continuation of Policy. Except as inconsistent with this reorganization, all statements of policy and interpretations with respect to organizational components affected by this notice within ACF, heretofore issued and in effect on this date of this reorganization are continued in full force and effect.

IV. Delegation of Authority. All delegations and redelegations of authority made to officials and employees of affected organizational components will continue in them or their successors pending further redelegations, provided they are consistent with this reorganization.

V. Funds, Personnel, and Equipment. Transfer of organizations and functions affected by this reorganization shall be accompanied in each instance by direct and support funds, positions, personnel, records, equipment, supplies, and other resources.

This reorganization will be effective upon date of signature.

Dated: June 20, 2016.

Mark H. Greenberg,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Children and Families.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects: Regional Partnership Grants To Increase the Well-Being of and To Improve Permanency Outcomes for Children Affected by Substance Abuse Cross-Site Evaluation and Evaluation-Related Technical Assistance and Evaluation-Related Technical Assistance and Data Collection Support for Regional Partnership Grant Program Round Three Sites

Title: RPG National Cross-Site Evaluation and Evaluation Technical Assistance

OMB No.: 0970-0444

Description: The Children's Bureau within the Administration for Children and Families of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services seeks a renewal of clearance to collect information for the Regional Partnership Grants to Increase the Well-being of and to Improve Permanency Outcomes for Children Affected by Substance Abuse Cross-Site Evaluation and Evaluation-Related Technical Assistance and Evaluation-Related Technical Assistance and Data Collection Support for Regional Partnership Grant Program Round Three Sites or "RPG" projects. Under RPG, the Children's Bureau has issued 21 grants to organizations such as child welfare or substance abuse treatment providers or family court systems to develop interagency collaborations and integration of programs, activities, and services designed to increase well-being, improve permanency, and enhance the safety of children who are in an out-of-home placement or are at risk of being placed in out-of-home care as a result of a parent's or caretaker's substance use dependence. The Child and Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act (Pub. L. 112-34) includes a targeted grants program (section 437(f) of the Social Security Act) that directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to reserve a specified portion of the appropriation for these Regional Partnership Grants, to be used to

improve the well-being of children affected by substance abuse. The overall objective of the Cross-Site Evaluation and Technical Assistance projects (the RPG Cross-Site Evaluation) is to plan, develop, and implement a rigorous national cross-site evaluation of the RPG Grant Program, provide legislatively-mandated performance measurement, furnish evaluation-related technical assistance to the grantees in order to improve the quality and rigor of their local evaluations, and support their participation in the cross-site evaluation. The project will evaluate the programs and activities conducted through the RPG Program. The evaluation is being undertaken by the Children's Bureau and its contractor Mathematica Policy Research. The evaluation is being implemented by Mathematica Policy Research and its subcontractors, WRMA, Inc., and Synergy Enterprises.

The RPG Cross-Site Evaluation includes the following components:

1. *Implementation and Partnership Study.* The RPG cross-site implementation and partnership study will contribute to building the knowledge base about effective implementation strategies by examining the process of implementation in the 21 RPG projects, with a focus on factors shown in the research literature to be associated with quality implementation of evidence-based programs. This component of the study describes the RPG projects' target populations, selected interventions and their fit with the target populations, inputs to implementation, and actual services provided (including dosage, duration, content, adherence to curricula, and participant responsiveness). It examines the key attributes of the regional partnerships that grantees develop (for example, partnerships among child welfare and substance abuse treatment providers, social services, and family courts). It describes the characteristics and roles of the partner organizations, the extent of coordination and collaboration, and their potential to sustain the partnerships after the grant ends. Key data collection activities of the implementation and partnership study are: (1) Conducting site visits during which researchers interview RPG program directors, managers, supervisors, and frontline staff who work directly with families; (2) administering a survey to frontline staff involved in providing direct services to children, adults, and families; (3) asking grantees to provide information about implementation and their partnerships as part of their federally required semi-annual progress reports; (4) obtaining

service use data from grantees, enrollment date and demographics of enrollees, exit date and reason, and service participation, which are entered into a web-based system operated by Mathematica Policy Research and its subcontractors; and (5) administering a survey to representatives of the partner organizations.

2. *Outcomes Study.* The goal of the outcomes study is to describe the changes that occur in children and families who participate in the RPG programs. This study will describe participant outcomes in five domains: (1) Child well-being, (2) family functioning/stability, (3) adult recovery from substance use disorder, (4) child permanency, and (5) child safety. Two main types of outcome data will be used—both of which are being collected by RPG grantees: (1) Administrative child welfare and adult substance abuse treatment records and (2) standardized instruments administered to the parents and/or caregivers. The Children’s Bureau is requiring grantees to obtain and report specified administrative records, and to use a prescribed set of standardized instruments. Grantees will provide these data to the cross-site evaluation team twice a year by uploading them to a data system operated by Mathematica Policy Research and its subcontractors.

3. *Impact Study.* The goal of the impact study is to assess the impact of the RPG interventions on child, adult, and family outcomes by comparing outcomes for people enrolled in RPG services to those in comparison groups, such as people who do not receive RPG services or receive only a subset of the services. The impact study will use demographic and outcome data on both program (treatment) and comparison groups from a subset of grantees with appropriate local evaluation designs such as randomized controlled trials or strong quasi-experimental designs; 5 of the 21 grantees have such designs. Site-specific impacts will be estimated for these five grantees. Aggregated impact estimates will be created by pooling impact estimates across appropriate sites to obtain a more powerful summary of the effectiveness of RPG interventions.

In addition to conducting local evaluations and participating in the RPG Cross-Site Evaluation, the RPG grantees are legislatively required to report performance indicators aligned with their proposed program strategies and activities. A key strategy of the RPG Cross-Site Evaluation is to minimize burden on the grantees by ensuring that the cross-site evaluation, which includes all grantees in a study that collects data to report on implementation, the partnerships, and

participant characteristics and outcomes, fully meets the need for performance reporting. Thus, rather than collecting separate evaluation and performance indicator data, the grantees need only participate in the cross-site evaluation. In addition, using the standardized instruments that the Children’s Bureau has specified will ensure that grantees have valid and reliable data on child and family outcomes for their local evaluations. The inclusion of an impact study conducted on a subset of grantees with rigorous designs will also provide the Children’s Bureau, Congress, grantees, providers, and researchers with information about the effectiveness of RPG programs. This 60-Day Notice covers the following data collection activities: (1) The site visits with grantees; (2) the web-based survey of frontline staff who provide direct services to children, adults, and families, and their supervisors; (3) the semi-annual progress reports; (4) enrollment and service data provided by grantees; (5) the web-based survey of grantee partners; and (6) outcome data provided by grantees.

Respondents. Respondents include grantee staff or contractors (such as local evaluators) and partner staff. Specific types of respondents and the expected number per data collection effort are noted in the burden table below.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

| Instrument | Number of respondents | Number of responses per respondent each year | Average burden hours per response | Total annual burden hours |
|--|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Program director individual interview | 4 | 0.33 | 2 | 2.67 |
| Program manager/supervisor group interview | 36 | 0.33 | 2 | 24 |
| Program manager/supervisor individual interviews | 24 | 0.33 | 1 | 8 |
| Frontline staff individual interviews | 24 | 0.33 | 1 | 8 |
| Semi-annual progress reports | 21 | 2.67 | 16.5 | 924 |
| Case enrollment data | 63 | 30 | 0.25 | 472.5 |
| Service log entries | 126 | 780 | 0.05 | 4,914 |
| Staff survey | 80 | 0.33 | 0.42 | 11.2 |
| Partner survey | 80 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 8.8 |
| Obtain access to administrative data | 21 | 1 | 42.7 | 896.7 |
| Report administrative data | 21 | 2.67 | 144 | 8,064 |
| Enter data into local database | 21 | 2.67 | 112.5 | 6,300 |
| Review records and submit electronically | 21 | 2.67 | 100 | 5,600 |
| Data entry for comparison study sites (5 grantees) | 5 | 0.33 | .25 | 361.6 |

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 27,595.

In compliance with the requirements of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Children’s Bureau within the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of

information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, 330 C Street SW., Washington DC 20416, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. Email address: infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. All

requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments 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; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Robert Sargis,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Request for Statements of Interest

AGENCY: Administration for Children and Families.

ACTION: Request for Statements of Interest for the National Advisory Committee on the Trafficking of Children and Youth in the United States.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act of 2014, Public Law 113-183, notice is hereby given of an opportunity to submit a Statement of Interest for the National Advisory Committee on Trafficking of Children and Youth in the United States (Committee). The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary and the Attorney General on practical and general policies concerning improvements to the Nation's response to the sex trafficking of children and youth in the United States. The Committee will be composed of not more than 21 members whose diverse experience and background enable them to provide balanced points of view with regard to carrying out the duties of the Committee.

DATES: Statements of Interest must be received by 5 p.m. EST, July 20, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Kate Cooper, ACF Office on Trafficking in Persons, phone (202) 205-4554 or email EndTrafficking@acf.hhs.gov. Additional information and the Statement of Interest Form are available at www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/endttrafficking/forms.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 29, 2014, President Obama signed the Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act (Pub. L. 113-183). The Act established a National Advisory Committee on the Sex Trafficking of Children and Youth in the United States to advise the Secretary and the Attorney General on practical and general policies concerning the cooperation of Federal, State, local, and tribal governments; child welfare agencies; social service providers; physical health and mental health providers; victim service providers; State or local courts with responsibility for conducting or supervising proceedings relating to child welfare or social services for children and their families; Federal, State, and local police; juvenile detention centers and runaway and homeless youth programs; schools; the gaming and entertainment industry; and businesses and organizations that provide services to youth, on responding to sex trafficking.

The Secretary shall appoint members of the Committee in consultation with the Attorney General and National Governors Association. At least one Committee member shall be a former sex trafficking victim and two Committee members shall be Governors of States. Each member of the Committee shall be appointed for the 5-year life of the Committee. The Committee will advise on the development and implementation of successful interventions with children and youth who are exposed to conditions that make them vulnerable to, or victims of, sex trafficking; and recommendations for administrative or legislative changes necessary to use programs, properties, or other resources owned, operated, or funded by the Federal Government to provide safe housing for children and youth who are sex trafficking victims.

The Committee shall develop two tiers of recommended best practices for States to follow in combating the sex trafficking of children and youth based on multidisciplinary research and promising, evidence-based models and programs, including sample training materials, protocols, and screening tools to identify victims of trafficking and those at risk for trafficking; multidisciplinary strategies to identify victims, manage cases, and improve services; sample protocols and recommendations for cross-system collaborations; criteria and guidelines for safe residential placements for foster children who have been sex trafficked;

and training guidelines for caregivers serving children and youth outside the home.

The Committee will share best practices and recommendations with State Governors and child welfare agencies on a quarterly basis.

The Committee shall submit an interim report to the Secretary, Attorney General, and Congress within 3 years after the establishment of the Committee and a final report within 4 years after the establishment of the Committee.

The Committee shall convene at least twice a year. This is an unpaid position and Committee members will not be considered employees of the Federal Government other than reimbursement of travel expenses and a per diem allowance in accordance with Federal Government regulations.

Dated: June 17, 2016.

Mark H. Greenberg,

Assistant Secretary for Children and Families.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: TANF Quarterly Financial Report, ACF-196.

OMB No.: 0970-0247.

Description: This information collection is authorized under Section 411(a)(3) of the Social Security Act. This request is for renewal of approval to use the Administration for Children and Families' (ACF) 196 form for periodic financial reporting under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. States participating in the TANF program are required by statute to report financial data on a quarterly basis. This form meets the legal standard and provides essential data on the use of Federal funds. Failure to collect the data would seriously compromise ACF's ability to monitor program expenditures, estimate funding needs, and to prepare budget submissions required by Congress. Financial reporting under the TANF program is governed by 45 CFR part 265. This renewal restores columns for reporting Emergency Contingency Fund Grant expenditures.

Respondents: TANF Agencies.