

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[30Day–20–0255]

Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the information collection request titled “Resources and Services Database of the CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN)” to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. CDC previously published a “Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations” notice on July 5, 2019 to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. CDC did not receive comments related to the previous notice. This notice serves to allow an additional 30 days for public and affected agency comments.

CDC will accept all comments for this proposed information collection project. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

(a) 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;

(b) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(d) 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; and

(e) Assess information collection costs.

To request additional information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, call (404) 639–7570 or send an email to omb@cdc.gov. Direct written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice to the Attention: CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395–5806. Provide written comments within 30 days of notice publication.

Proposed Project

Resources and Services Database of the CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN) (OMB Control No. 0920–0255, Exp. 02/29/2020)—Revision—National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, and Tuberculosis Prevention (NCHHSTP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

NCHHSTP has the primary responsibility within the CDC and the U.S. Public Health Service for the prevention and control of HIV infection, viral hepatitis, sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), and tuberculosis (TB), as well as for community-based HIV prevention activities, syphilis, and TB elimination programs. This request is for a revision and three-year approval of a currently approved data collection under the Paperwork Reduction Act. This data collection is currently approved under OMB Control No. 0920–0255. The purpose of this data collection is to assist the public by providing information about resources.

The National Prevention Information Network (NPIN) serves as the U.S. reference, referral, and distribution service for information on HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, STDs, and TB, supporting NCHHSTP’s mission to link Americans to prevention, education, and care services. If NPIN does not continue this information collection and

verification project, the potential number of resource listings will be significantly reduced, and the accuracy and currency of the existing records will be greatly diminished. The NPIN Resources and Services Database contains entries on approximately 10,000 organizations and is the most comprehensive listing of HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, STD, and TB resources and services available throughout the country. The American public can access the NPIN resources and Services database through the NPIN website. More than 1,000,000 unique visitors and more than 3,000,000 page views are recorded annually.

Information for this request will be collected using the Resources and Services Questionnaire. Organizations with access to the internet will be given the option to complete and submit an electronic version of the questionnaire by visiting the NPIN website. Methods to be used to collect the information include online, telephone and email survey questionnaires to collect information from representatives of the organizations that provide covered services. In comparison to the previously approved collection, the NPIN questionnaire is collecting the same information, but the format of the NPIN online questionnaire was modified to decrease free text. This serves to improve the time needed to complete the form. To accomplish CDC’s goal of continuing efforts to maintain an up-to-date, comprehensive database, NPIN plans each year to add up to 400 newly identified organizations and verify those organizations currently described in the NPIN Resources and Services Database each year. Updates to the NPIN resources and services questionnaire reduced the total burden hours by 33% when compared to the previous OMB clearance. This data collection uses no inferential statistical methods. The data collected is in textual or anecdotal format and will be used for information purposes. There are no costs to respondents other than their time. The total burden is 1,144 hours.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

| Form | Respondents | Number of respondents | Number of responses per respondent | Average burden per response (in hours) |
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| Initial Questionnaire Telephone Script. | Registered nurses, Social and community service managers, and Health educators. | 400 | 1 | 8/60 |
| Telephone Verification | Registered nurses, Social and community service managers, and Health educators Social and human service assistants. | 6,100 | 1 | 6/60 |

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS—Continued

| Form | Respondents | Number of respondents | Number of responses per respondent | Average burden per response (in hours) |
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| Email Verification | Registered nurses, Health educators, and Social and human service assistants, social and community service managers. | 3,600 | 1 | 8/60 |

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice with comment period.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the general public and other Federal agencies the opportunity to comment on a proposed and/or continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on a proposed information collection project titled “*The National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS)*.” *The NNDSS is the nation’s public health surveillance system that monitors the occurrence and spread of diseases and conditions that are nationally notifiable or under standard surveillance.*

DATES: CDC must receive written comments on or before January 3, 2020.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC–2019–0096 by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal: Regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS–D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket Number. CDC will post, without change, all relevant comments to *Regulations.gov*.

Please note: Submit all comments through the Federal eRulemaking portal (*regulations.gov*) or by U.S. mail to the address listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, contact Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS–D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; phone: 404–639–7570; Email: *omb@cdc.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. In addition, the PRA also requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each new proposed collection, each proposed extension of existing collection of information, and each reinstatement of previously approved information collection before submitting the collection to the OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, we are publishing this notice of a proposed data collection as described below.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments that will help:

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 submissions of responses.

5. Assess information collection costs.

Proposed Project

National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS)—Revision—Center for Surveillance, Epidemiology and Laboratory Services (CSELS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

The Public Health Services Act (42 U.S.C. 241) authorizes CDC to disseminate nationally notifiable condition information. The National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS) is based on data collected at the state, territorial and local levels as a result of legislation and regulations in those jurisdictions that require health care providers, medical laboratories, and other entities to submit health-related data on reportable conditions to public health departments. These reportable conditions, which include infectious and non-infectious diseases, vary by jurisdiction depending upon each jurisdiction’s health priorities and needs. Each year, the Council of State and Territorial Disease Epidemiologists (CSTE), supported by CDC, determines which reportable conditions should be designated nationally notifiable or under standardized surveillance.

CDC requests a three-year approval for a Revision to the NNDSS (OMB Control No. 0920–0728, Expiration Date 04/30/2022). This Revision includes requests for approval to: (1) Receive case notification data for Blastomycosis which is now under standardized surveillance; and (2) receive disease-specific data elements for Carbon Monoxide (CO) Poisoning, Congenital Syphilis, and Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD, not congenital).

The NNDSS currently facilitates the submission and aggregation of case notification data voluntarily submitted to CDC from 60 jurisdictions: Public health departments in every U.S. state,