

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Federal Case Registry (FCR) (OMB #0970-0421)

AGENCY: Office of Child Support Enforcement, Administration for Children and Families, Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is requesting a 3-year extension of the Federal Case Registry (FCR). There are no changes to the collection instruments used for the FCR (current Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval expires January 31, 2021).

DATES: *Comments due within 30 days of publication.* OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description: ACF implemented the FCR within the Federal Parent Locator

Service (FPLS) on October 1, 1998, pursuant to federal law. The FCR is a national database of information pertaining to child support cases processed by state child support agencies, referred to as “IV–D” cases, and non-IV–D support orders privately established or modified by courts or tribunals on or after October 1, 1998. FCR information is submitted by each State Case Registry (SCR), which is a central registry of child support orders and cases. The FCR automatically compares new SCR submissions to existing FCR information and notifies state agencies if an IV–D case participant in the state appears as a participant in an IV–D or non-IV-case in another state.

Respondents: State child support enforcement agencies.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Total number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Annual burden hours
Appendix G: Input Record Layout	54	151	0.0333	272

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 272.

Authority: The information collection activities pertaining to the FCR are authorized by: 42 U.S.C. 653(h), which requires the establishment of the FCR within the FPLS; 42 U.S.C. 654a(e), which requires state child support agencies to include a SCR in the state’s automated system; and 42 U.S.C. 654a(f)(1), which requires states to conduct information comparison activities between the SCR and the FCR.

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Submission for OMB Review; Generic for Administration for Children and Families (ACF) Program Monitoring Activities (New Collection)

AGENCY: Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) intends to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a new generic clearance for information collections related to ACF program office monitoring activities. ACF programs promote the economic and social well-being of families, children, individuals, and communities. The proposed Generic for ACF Program Monitoring Activities would allow ACF program offices to collect standardized information from recipients that receive federal funds to ensure oversight, evaluation, support purposes, and stewardship of federal funds.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description: Program monitoring is a post-award process through which ACF assesses a recipient’s programmatic performance and business management performance. Monitoring activities are necessary to ensure timely action by ACF to support grantees and protect federal interests.

Program offices would use information collected under this generic clearance to monitor funding recipient activities and to provide support or take appropriate action, as needed. The information gathered will be used primarily for internal purposes, but aggregate data may be included in public materials such as Reports to Congress or program office documents. Following standard OMB requirements, ACF will submit a request for each individual data collection activity under this generic clearance. Each request will include the individual form(s) or instrument(s), a justification specific to the individual information collection, and any supplementary documents. OMB is requested to review requests within 10 days of submission.

Respondents: ACF funding recipients.