

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New collection (Request for a new OMB control number); *Title of Information Collection:* National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) Supplemental Data Collection; *Use:* The adoption by the Secretary of HHS of the standard unique health identifier for health care providers is a requirement of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). The unique identifier is to be used on standard transactions and may be used for other lawful purposes in the health care system. The CMS Final Rule published on January 23, 2004 adopts the National Provider Identifier (NPI) as the standard unique health identifier for health care providers. Health care providers that are covered entities under HIPAA must apply for and use NPIs in standard transactions. The law requires that data collection standards for these measures be used, to the extent that it is practical, in all national population health surveys. It applies to self-reported optional information only. The law also requires any data standards published by HHS to comply with standards created by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

The web based optional data fields can be seen in Appendix A1: Data Collected for the Office of Minority and Appendix A2: Data collected for the 21st Century Cures Act, interoperability. The standards apply to population health surveys sponsored by HHS, where respondents either self-report information or a knowledgeable person responds for all members of a household. HHS is implementing these data standards in all new surveys. *Form Number:* CMS-10749 (OMB control number: 0938-NEW); *Frequency:* Yearly; *Affected Public:* Private Sector, Business or other for-profits, Not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 999,291; *Total Annual Responses:* 999,291; *Total Annual Hours:* 169,880. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact DaVona Boyd at 410-786-7483.)

Dated: March 4, 2021.

William N. Parham, III,

Director, Paperwork Reduction Staff, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Community Living

[OMB No. 0985-0005]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; State Annual Long-Term Care Ombudsman Report-National Ombudsman Reporting System

AGENCY: Administration for Community Living, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Community Living (ACL) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on the proposed collection of information listed above. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish a notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on a revision to the information collection requirements related to the National Ombudsman Reporting System and Older Americans Act Title VII.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information must be submitted electronically by 11:59 p.m. (EST) or postmarked by May 10, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to: louise.ryan@acl.hhs.gov. Submit written comments on the collection of information to Administration for Community Living, Washington, DC 20201, Attention: Louise Ryan.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Louise Ryan, Administration for Community Living, Washington, DC 20201, (206) 615-2299 or by email: louise.ryan@acl.hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the 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. "Collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. The PRA requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including

each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, ACL is publishing a notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

With respect to the following collection of information, ACL invites comments on our burden estimates or any other aspect of this collection of information, including:

(1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of ACL's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) the accuracy of ACL's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine burden estimates;

(3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

The report form and instructions have been in continuous use, with minor modifications, since OMB first approved them for the FY 1995 reporting period. The report underwent a substantive revision in April 2018, which included significant reduction in the number of data elements collected. This request covers minor changes and corrections to the current information collection. The data collection tool will enhance ACL's ability to understand and report on LTCO program operations, experiences of long-term care facility residents and will reflect changes in LTC Ombudsman program operations and long-term supports and services policies, research, and practices. States will continue to provide the following data and narrative information in the report:

1. Numbers and descriptions of cases filed and complaints made on behalf of long-term care facility residents to the statewide ombudsman program;

2. Major issues identified impacting on the quality of care and life of long-term care facility residents;

3. Statewide program operations; and

4. Ombudsman activities in addition to complaint investigation.

5. Organizational conflict of interest reporting as required by 45 CFR part 1324.21.

To comment on this information collection please visit the ACL website: <https://www.acl.gov/about-acl/public-input>.

Estimated Program Burden

ACL estimates the burden associated with this collection of information as

follows: Approximately 7,780 hours, with 52 state Ombudsman programs responding annually.

Respondent/data collection activity	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Hours per response	Annual burden hours
Total	52	1	149.6	7,780

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Alison Barkoff,
Acting Administrator and Assistant Secretary for Aging.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announces the following advisory committee meeting.

Name: National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS), Full Committee Meeting.

Dates and Times: Wednesday, March 31, 2021: 10:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m. EST. Thursday, April 1, 2021: 10:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m. EST.

Place: Virtual.

Status: Open.

Purpose: As outlined in its Charter, the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics assists and advises the Secretary of HHS on health data, data standards, statistics, privacy, national health information policy, and the Department’s strategy to best address those issues. At the March 31-April 1, 2021, meeting, the Committee will receive updates from HHS officials, hold discussions on current health data policy topics, and discuss its work plan for the upcoming period.

The Chair will facilitate discussion of the Committee’s draft Fourteenth Report to Congress. The Subcommittee on Standards will discuss plans for furthering work on convergence of administrative and clinical data standards. The Subcommittee on Privacy, Confidentiality, and Security will follow up on its September 2020 hearing on data collection and use with respect to privacy and security during the pandemic and discuss plans for the next topic on which the Subcommittee will develop recommendations. In addition, the Committee anticipates briefings on current projects directly relevant to the Committee’s work, such

as new standards for Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) data and a comparative analysis of ICD–10–CM with ICD–11 for morbidity coding.

The Committee will reserve time for public comment toward the end of the schedule on both days. Meeting times and topics are subject to change. Please refer to the agenda posted at the NCVHS website for this meeting, <https://ncvhs.hhs.gov/meetings/full-committee-meeting-7/>, for any updates.

Contact Person for More Information: Substantive program information may be obtained from Rebecca Hines, MHS, Executive Secretary, NCVHS, National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 3311 Toledo Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, or via electronic mail to vgh4@cdc.gov; or by telephone (301) 458–4715. You can find a list of upcoming meetings, recent past meetings, and recent reports and recommendations on the NCVHS website, <https://ncvhs.hhs.gov/>. You can review the agenda for the meeting and instructions on how to access the broadcast of the meeting by navigating to the March 31–April 1 dates on the home page or on the NCVHS Meetings page, <https://ncvhs.hhs.gov/meetings-meeting/>.

Should you require reasonable accommodation, please contact the CDC Office of Equal Employment Opportunity on (770) 488–3210 as soon as possible.

Sharon Arnold,
Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Science and Data Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Member Conflict: Neuropsychiatric Disorders.

Date: April 6, 2021.

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

Contact Person: Jenny Raye Browning, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Rm. 5207, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 402–8197, jenny.browning@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Special Topics: Emerging Imaging Technologies in Neuroscience.

Date: April 7, 2021.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

Contact Person: Sharon S. Low, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5104, MSC 5104, Bethesda, MD, 20892–5104, 301–237–1487, lowss@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; RFA–RM–20–013 and 020: NIH Transformative and Emergency Transformative Research (R01) Awards Review.

Date: April 7–8, 2021.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

Contact Person: James J. Li, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5148,