• *Improve Data Visibility and Accessibility:* Prioritize which data assets to make widely available first based on value to the mission and the most significant number of stakeholders.
• *Enable Advanced Data Analytics:* Ensure experts can easily combine and analyze information from various internal and external sources to gain comprehensive insights.
• *Enhance Secure Data Exchange:* Improve interoperable and secure data exchange and collaboration across FDA and its public health partners.

Goal 5: Adopt AI and Mission-Driven Innovations: Drive exploration and address impacts of emerging technologies and trends, such as AI and virtual reality, on FDA's IT portfolio and regulatory operations. Proactively identify opportunities and risks to FDA's mission and inform responsible use of technology. Enhance partnerships with external experts to leverage these technologies and promptly respond to their impact.

Objectives

• *Balance Policy and Technology Value:* Develop ethical guidance for technology use while maximizing business value, such as Guidance on AI Strategy. Ensure responsible actions by conducting comprehensive research and analysis to fully understand technological advancements' potential impacts and implications on society.
• *Ensure Responsible Use of Innovations:* Deploy technological innovations, such as AI/Machine Learning, responsibly with an understanding of regulatory impacts and effective risk response strategies. Establish appropriate guardrails where necessary.
• *Provide Proactive Thought Leadership:* Lead as a partner in creating novel use cases for emerging technologies through a deep understanding of business processes, industry, and technology. Stay at the forefront of technological advancements by harnessing industry expertise and fostering collaboration.
• *Foster Innovation:* Create an environment where innovative approaches are encouraged, identified, shared, and evaluated for use in driving operational efficiency and developing new capabilities. Apply a structured process to manage the innovation lifecycle from ideation to investment to adoption (or project shutdown) to produce usable innovations.

Goal 6: Cultivate Talent and Leadership: Mature Agency-wide IT competencies to deepen technology expertise and keep pace with the accelerated rate of change in FDA's regulated industries and technology. Develop holistic leaders equipped to lead through change and drive FDA's digital transformation journey forward. Deliver enterprise IT services with an Agency-first mindset. Given the continued competition for talent, proactively build a robust talent pipeline for targeted roles leveraging a combination of recruitment, retention, and talent development strategies.

Objectives

• *Instill OneFDA Mindset:* Cultivate an Agency-first approach to IT so that decisions promote and protect the health of the American people first and foremost.
• *Attract and Retain Talent:* Build a diverse talent pipeline through a compelling employee value proposition and total compensation approach, talent acquisition, employee engagement, and talent development strategies. Drive improvements across the employee lifecycle from recruitment to retirement.
• *Hire and Develop Resilient Leaders:* Strengthen leadership competencies required to drive holistic transformational IT initiatives in a dynamic environment successfully.
• *Develop Skills for the Future of Work:* Develop IT skills and competencies required to deliver current and future IT services through upskilling, reskilling, and continuous learning.

IV. Electronic Access

Persons with access to the internet may obtain an electronic version of the IT Strategy at *https://www.regulations.gov*.

Dated: September 13, 2023.

Lauren K. Roth,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA–2023–N–3490]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Application for Participation in Food and Drug Administration Fellowship and Traineeship Programs

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the Agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Federal Agencies are required to publish 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 ''Application for Participation in Food and Drug Administration Fellowship and Traineeship Programs.''

DATES: Either electronic or written comments on the collection of information must be submitted by November 20, 2023.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered. The *https://www.regulations.gov* electronic filing system will accept comments until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time at the end of November 20, 2023. Comments received by mail/hand delivery/courier (for written/paper submissions) will be considered timely if they are received on or before that date.

Electronic Submissions

Submit electronic comments in the following way:

• *Federal eRulemaking Portal: https://www.regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Comments submitted electronically, including attachments, to *https://www.regulations.gov* will be posted to the docket unchanged. Because your comment will be made public, you are solely responsible for ensuring that your comment does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as medical information, your or anyone else's Social Security number, or confidential business information, such as a manufacturing process. Please note that if you include your name, contact information, or other information that identifies you in the body of your comments, that information will be posted on *https://www.regulations.gov.*
• If you want to submit a comment with confidential information that you do not wish to be made available to the public, submit the comment as a written/paper submission and in the manner detailed (see ''Written/Paper Submissions'' and ''Instructions'').

Written/Paper Submissions

Submit written/paper submissions as follows:

• *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier (for written/paper submissions):* Dockets Management Staff (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

• For written/paper comments submitted to the Dockets Management Staff, FDA will post your comment, as well as any attachments, except for information submitted, marked and identified, as confidential, if submitted as detailed in ''Instructions.''

Instructions: All submissions received must include the Docket No. FDA–2023–N–3490 for ''Application for Participation in Food and Drug Administration Fellowship and Traineeship Programs.'' Received comments, those filed in a timely manner (see **ADDRESSES**), will be placed in the docket and, except for those submitted as ''Confidential Submissions,'' publicly viewable at *https://www.regulations.gov* or at the Dockets Management Staff between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, 240–402–7500.

• Confidential Submissions—To submit a comment with confidential information that you do not wish to be made publicly available, submit your comments only as a written/paper submission. You should submit two copies total. One copy will include the information you claim to be confidential with a heading or cover note that states ''THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.'' The Agency will review this copy, including the claimed confidential information, in its consideration of comments. The second copy, which will have the claimed confidential information redacted/blacked out, will be available for public viewing and posted on *https://www.regulations.gov.* Submit both copies to the Dockets Management Staff. If you do not wish your name and contact information to be made publicly available, you can provide this information on the cover sheet and not in the body of your comments and you must identify this information as ''confidential.'' Any information marked as ''confidential'' will not be disclosed except in accordance with 21 CFR 10.20 and other applicable disclosure law. For more information about FDA's posting of comments to public dockets, see 80 FR 56469, September 18, 2015, or access the information at: *https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2015-09-18/pdf/2015-23389.pdf.*

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or the electronic and written/paper comments received, go to *https://www.regulations.gov* and insert the docket number, found in brackets in the heading of this document, into the ''Search'' box and follow the prompts and/or go to the Dockets Management Staff, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852, 240–402–7500.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amber Sanford, Office of Operations, Food and Drug Administration, Three White Flint North, 10A–12M, 11601 Landsdown St., North Bethesda, MD 20852, 301–796–8867, *PRAStaff@fda.hhs.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), 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. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) 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, FDA is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

With respect to the following collection of information, FDA invites comments on these topics: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FDA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FDA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (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.

Application for Participation in FDA Fellowship and Traineeship Programs

OMB Control Number 0910–0780—Extension

This information collection supports FDA fellowship and traineeship programs. Sections 1104, 1302, 3301, 3304, 3320, 3361, 3393, and 3394 of Title 5 of the United States Code authorize Federal Agencies to rate applicants for Federal jobs. The information collection involves brief online applications completed by applicants applying to FDA's Fellowship and Traineeship programs. These voluntary online applications will allow the Agency to easily and efficiently elicit and review information from students and healthcare professionals who are interested in becoming involved in FDA-wide activities. The process will reduce the time and cost of submitting written documentation to the Agency and lessen the likelihood of applications being misrouted within the Agency mail system. It will assist the Agency in promoting and protecting the public health by encouraging outside persons to share their expertise with FDA.

FDA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

TABLE 1—ESTIMATED ANNUAL RECORDKEEPING BURDEN [1]

Activity	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total annual responses	Average burden per response	Total hours
Medical Device Fellowship Program	250	1	250	1	250
FDA Traineeship Program	1,000	1	1,000	1	1,000
Total					1,250

[1] There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.

Based on a review of the information collection since our last request for OMB approval, we have made no adjustments to our burden estimate.

Dated: September 14, 2023.

Lauren K. Roth,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA–2023–N–2286]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request; Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a proposed collection of information has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Submit written comments (including recommendations) on the collection of information by October 19, 2023.

ADDRESSES: To ensure that comments on the information collection are received, OMB recommends that written comments be submitted to *https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.* Find this particular information collection by selecting ''Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments'' or by using the search function. The OMB control number for this information collection is 0910–0621. Also include the FDA docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Domini Bean, Office of Operations, Food and Drug Administration, Three White Flint North, 10A–12M, 11601 Landsdown St., North Bethesda, MD 20852, 301–796–5733, *PRAStaff@fda.hhs.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In compliance with 44 U.S.C. 3507, FDA has submitted the following proposed collection of information to OMB for review and clearance.

Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards

OMB Control Number 0910–0621—Revision

This information collection helps support implementation of FDA's Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards (the Retail Program Standards). Regulatory Program Standards play a critical role in an integrated food safety system and serve as the foundation for mutual reliance between FDA and other regulatory agencies that work to ensure food safety. The Retail Program Standards define what constitutes a highly effective and responsive program for the regulation of foodservice and retail food establishments. The Retail Program Standards are intended to provide a foundation upon which continuous improvements can be made with the ultimate goal to reduce the occurrence of factors that cause and contribute to foodborne illness. In support of this goal, FDA works cooperatively with our State, local, Territorial, and Tribal partners using a risk-based approach to leverage limited resources. We engage in education and outreach efforts to facilitate collaboration with our partners in food safety. The Retail Program Standards represent an important component of a comprehensive strategic approach to help ensure the safety and security of the food supply at the retail level. Respondents to the information collection are State, local, Territorial, and Tribal governments.

The Retail Program Standards were revised most recently in August 2022 and include the following elements: (1) regulatory foundation; (2) trained regulatory staff; (3) inspection program based on Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point principles; (4) uniform inspection program, (5) foodborne illness and food defense preparedness and response; (6) compliance and enforcement; (7) industry and community relations; (8) program support and resources; and (9) program assessment. These elements are enumerated and discussed on our website at *https://www.fda.gov/food/voluntary-national-retail-food-regulatory-program-standards/voluntary-national-retail-food-regulatory-program-standards-august-2022* along with worksheets and assessments that allow FDA to determine conformance with the Retail Program Standards. State, local, territorial, tribal, and Federal regulatory agencies that participate in the voluntary program are required to report information demonstrating that a program self-assessment, a risk factor study of the regulated industry, and an independent outside audit (verification audit) have been completed. The information also includes Form FDA 3958, ''Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards FDA National Registry Report,'' which may be completed electronically at *https://www.fda.gov/food/voluntary-national-retail-food-regulatory-program-standards/voluntary-national-retail-food-regulatory-program-standards-august-2022.*

Finally, we are revising the information collection to include additional Agency resources. We have created a dedicated emailbox at *retailfoodprotectionteam@fda.hhs.gov* to receive requests for program documentation and have developed the following instruments to support the standardization of food safety inspection officer candidates:

- Proposed Form FDA 5017, ''Standardized Retail Food Safety Inspection Officer Waiver of Annual Maintenance Requirement Form,'' pertains to requests for waivers from maintenance requirements, referenced in section 3–403 of the ''FDA Procedures for Standardization of Retail Food Safety Inspection Officers.'' FDA uses the information submitted on Form FDA 5017 to determine a food safety inspection officer's eligibility for restandardization.
- Proposed Form FDA 5018, ''Standardized Retail Food Safety Inspection Officer Annual Maintenance Form,'' provides verification that a food safety inspection officer has met program standardization requirements in accordance with section 3–403 of the ''FDA Procedures for Standardization of Retail Food Safety Inspection Officers.''
- Proposed Form FDA 5019, ''Standardized Food Safety Inspection Officer Nomination Form,'' allows FDA to collect qualification information from food safety inspection officer candidates.

In the **Federal Register** of August 30, 2023 (88 FR 42372) FDA published a 60-day notice requesting public comment on the proposed collection of information. No comments were received.

We estimate the burden of this collection of information as follows: