

services, and aged 21–64 years for cervical cancer services; and under- or uninsured.

CDC proposes revisions to three of the previously approved information collection instruments:

**Annual NBCCEDP Survey**—This instrument collects program-level information annually to monitor recipients’ challenges, external funding sources, partnerships, and EBI implementation. The survey has been revised to include new survey questions to improve data quality for items related to partnership activities and recipients’ requirements for patients’ payments towards screening services, as well as the removal of a COVID–19 related question.

**Clinic-Level Data Collection Tool**—This instrument collects clinic-level data at baseline and annually to assess health system, clinic, and patient population characteristics; monitoring and quality improvement activities; EBI implementation; and baseline or annual

screening rates. This tool has been revised to remove COVID–19 related variables and update response options for the measures used to report breast and cervical cancer screening rates.

**QPU**—This instrument collects program-level data four times per year to monitor award spending, service delivery, staff vacancies, program challenges and successes, and TA needs. This instrument has been revised to include two optional open-ended items to allow recipients to provide context to reported service delivery and spending data only if needed.

CDC proposes continued use of the remaining two information collections; Service Delivery Project Worksheet and the MDEs, which have not been changed. To maximize consistency in our routine data collections for the current NBCCEDP funding cycle, CDC has not revised NBCCEDP information collections to align with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)’

current best practices for demographic questions related to sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI) and race and ethnicity (R/E) at this time. However, CDC plans to revise information collections that include demographic items to align with HHS’ SOGI and R/E guidelines for the next funding cycle beginning in 2027.

The proposed information collections will allow CDC to better gauge progress in meeting NBCCEDP program goals and monitor implementation activities, evaluate outcomes, and identify awardee technical assistance needs. In addition, findings will inform program improvement and help identify successful activities that need to be maintained, replicated, or expanded.

OMB approval is requested for three years. CDC requests OMB approval for an estimated 1,162 annual burden hours. Participation is required for NBCCEDP awardees. There are no costs to respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
NBCCEDP Awardees .....	Annual NBCCEDP Survey .....	71	1	46/60	54
	NBCCEDP Clinic-level Information Collection Instrument—Breast.	71	6	40/60	284
	NBCCEDP Clinic-level Information Collection Instrument—Cervical.	71	6	40/60	284
	Quarterly Program Update .....	71	4	22/60	151
	Service Delivery Projection Worksheet.	71	1	29/60	34
	MDEs .....	71	2	150/60	355
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,162

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

[60Day—24–24IW; Docket No. CDC–2024–0070]

**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 information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on a proposed information collection project titled Becton Dickinson BACTEC™ Blood Culture Media Bottles Shortage Impact Questionnaire, which will assess the impact of the Becton Dickinson (BD) BACTEC™ blood culture media bottles supply shortage on individual facilities and how CDC NHSN bloodstream infection surveillance might be affected.

**DATES:** CDC must receive written comments on or before December 2, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC–2024–0070 by either of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.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 H21–8, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket Number. CDC will post, without change, all relevant comments to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Please note:** Submit all comments through the Federal eRulemaking portal ([www.regulations.gov](http://www.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 H21-8, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; Telephone: 404-639-7570; Email: [omb@cdc.gov](mailto: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;
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; and

5. Assess information collection costs.

### Proposed Project

National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Becton Dickinson BACTEC™ Blood Culture Media Bottles Shortage Impact Questionnaire—New—National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infection Diseases (NCEZID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

#### Background and Brief Description

The Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion (DHQP), National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) collects data from healthcare facilities in the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) under OMB Control No. 0920-0666. NHSN provides facilities, health departments, states, regions, and the nation with data necessary to identify problem areas, measure the progress of prevention efforts, and ultimately eliminate healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) nationwide. NHSN also allows healthcare facilities to track blood safety errors and various HAI prevention practice methods such as healthcare personnel influenza vaccine status and corresponding infection control adherence rates. Enrollment in NHSN has continuously increased, with over 37,000 actively reporting healthcare facilities across the U.S. Of the total enrolled healthcare facilities, there are over 6,000 acute care facilities. NHSN currently has eight components, and the collection of information is authorized by the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 242b, 242k, and 242m (d)).

Data reported under NHSN's Patient Safety Component are used to determine the magnitude of the healthcare-associated adverse events and trends in the rates of the events, in the distribution of pathogens, and in the adherence to prevention practices. Data will help detect changes in the epidemiology of adverse events resulting from new medical therapies and changing patient risks. Additionally, reported data is being used to describe the epidemiology of antimicrobial use and resistance and to

better understand the relationship of antimicrobial therapy to this rising problem.

NHSN's data is used to aid in the tracking of HAIs and guide infection prevention activities/practices that protect patients. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and other payers use these data to determine incentives for performance at healthcare facilities across the US and surrounding territories, and members of the public may use some protected data to inform their selection among available providers. Each of these parties is dependent on the completeness and accuracy of the data. CDC and CMS work closely and are fully committed to ensuring complete and accurate reporting, which are critical for protecting patients and guiding national, state, and local prevention priorities.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) posted an announcement regarding interruptions in the supply of Becton Dickinson (BD) BACTEC (TM) blood culture media bottles because of recent supplier issues. The disruption in the supply is expected to impact patient diagnosis, follow-up patient management, and antimicrobial stewardship efforts. The FDA and other entities recommend that facilities, laboratories, and health care providers consider conservation strategies to prioritize the use of blood culture media bottles, preserving the supply for patients at highest risk. This information collection request includes a new data collection instrument that will assess the impact of the supply shortage on individual facilities and how CDC NHSN bloodstream infection surveillance might be affected. Facilities enrolled in the NHSN Patient Safety Component will be asked questions regarding the impact of the Becton Dickinson (BD) BACTEC (TM) blood culture media bottles for their facility. The questions will be collected electronically via the NHSN application.

CDC requests OMB approval for an estimated 2,334 annual burden hours. There are no cost to respondents other than their time to participate.

#### ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Infection Preventionist/Microbiologist	Blood Culture Bottle Shortage Questionnaire (Jul-Oct).	3,500	1	20/60	1,167
Infection Preventionist/Microbiologist	Blood Culture Bottle Shortage Questionnaire (Nov-Mar).	3,500	1	20/60	1,167

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS—Continued

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,334

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[60Day–24–24IV; Docket No. CDC–2024–0071]

**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 information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on a proposed information collection project titled “Comprehensive Evaluation of the Implementation and Uptake of the CDC Clinical Practice Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Pain”. This data collection is designed to allow CDC to evaluate the 2022 CDC Clinical Practice Guidelines for opioid prescription practices.

**DATES:** CDC must receive written comments on or before December 2, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC–2024–0071 by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* [www.regulations.gov](http://www.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 H21–8, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket Number. CDC will post, without change, all relevant comments to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

*Please note:* Submit all comments through the Federal eRulemaking portal ([www.regulations.gov](http://www.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, H 21–8, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; Telephone: 404–639–7570; Email: [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov).

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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;

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; and

5. Assess information collection costs.

**Proposed Project**

Comprehensive Evaluation of the Implementation and Uptake of the CDC Clinical Practice Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Pain—New—National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

**Background and Brief Description**

Beginning in the 1990s, opioid prescribing rates for pain management steadily increased until 2010, remained steady until 2012, and have declined since then. The increase in opioid prescribing rates corresponded with increases in opioid-involved overdose deaths, which initially primarily involved prescription opioids (natural and semi-synthetic opioids and methadone). In response to this emerging crisis, CDC issued the CDC Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain—United States, 2016 (2016 CDC Guideline). Implementing the 2016 CDC Guideline was associated with reductions in opioid prescribing and increases in use of non-opioid medications for pain. At the same time, laws and policies related to prescribing opioids were instituted that misapplied or were inconsistent with the 2016 CDC Guideline, potentially contributing to patient harm. In 2022, CDC released the CDC Clinical Practice Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Pain—United States, 2022, which provided up to date evidence regarding pain management approaches and re-emphasizes the need for prescribers to be focused on patient-centered care to provide effective pain management. CDC is comprehensively evaluating the uptake, implementation, and outcomes of the 2022 CDC Clinical Practice Guideline on evidence-based care for pain management to understand its impact.