

that are considered in acting on the applications are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The public portions of the applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, if any, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank(s) indicated below and at the offices of the Board of Governors. This information may also be obtained on an expedited basis, upon request, by contacting the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank and from the Board's Freedom of Information Office at <https://www.federalreserve.gov/foia/request.htm>. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in paragraph 7 of the Act.

Comments received are subject to public disclosure. In general, comments received will be made available without change and will not be modified to remove personal or business information including confidential, contact, or other identifying information. Comments should not include any information such as confidential information that would not be appropriate for public disclosure.

Comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors, Ann E. Misback, Secretary of the Board, 20th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20551-0001, not later than November 1, 2024.

A. *Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis* (Holly A. Rieser, Senior Manager) P.O. Box 442, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034. Comments can also be sent electronically to

Comments.applications@stls.frb.org:

1. *Teresa Grindstaff and Greg Allen, as co-trustees of the Justin W. Gilliam 2016 Irrevocable Family Trust U/A DTD 11/14/2016, the Paul Grindstaff III 2020 Irrevocable Trust U/A DTD 12/30/2020, the Teresa A. Grindstaff 2021 Irrevocable Trust U/A DTD 12/09/2021, and the Paul Grindstaff Jr 2021 Irrevocable Family Trust U/A DTD 12/27/2021, Paul Grindstaff III and Greg Allen, as co-trustees of the Teresa A. Grindstaff 2021 Irrevocable Family Trust U/A DTD 12/16/2021 and the Paul Grindstaff III 2021 Irrevocable Trust U/A DTD 12/16/2021, Paul Grindstaff III and Ashley L. Grindstaff, as co-trustees of the Paul Grindstaff III and Ashley L. Grindstaff Revocable Trust DTD 01/19/2016, Paul Grindstaff III, as co-trustee of the Teresa A. Grindstaff 2012 Family Trust, and Bryant C. Allen and Alta C. Allen, as co-trustees of the Bryant C. Allen and Alta C. Allen Revocable Trust DTD 08/27/2019, all of Farmington,*

Missouri; Bryana M. Martin, Fort Worth, Texas; and Finian C. Boesch, Cape Girardeau, Missouri; to join the Grindstaff/Allen Control Group, a group acting in concert, to retain voting shares of First State Bancshares, Inc., and thereby indirectly retain voting shares of First State Community Bank, both of Farmington, Missouri. The Grindstaff/Allen Control Group was previously permitted by the Federal Reserve System to acquire control of the voting shares of First State Bancshares, Inc.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (Karen Smith, Director, Mergers & Acquisitions) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272. Comments can also be sent electronically to Comments.applications@dal.frb.org:

1. *The Amy K. Brown 2010 Trust, the Molly A. Knight 2010 Trust, the David A. Knight 2010 Trust, and the Patrick J Doss 2021 Trust, Billy Francis Knight, as trustee, all of Fort Worth, Texas; to become members of the Doss/Knight Family Group, a group acting in concert, to acquire voting shares of Texas Banc Financial Corp, Fort Worth, Texas, and indirectly acquire voting shares of TexasBank, Brownwood, Texas.*

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Michele Taylor Fennell,
Associate Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approve extension without change of the currently approved information collection "Surveys on Patient Safety Culture (SOPS) Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Survey Database," OMB No. 0935-0242. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on August 13, 2024 and allowed 60 days for public comment. AHRQ received no substantive comments from members of the public. The purpose of this notice is

to allow an additional 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by November 18, 2024.

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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris Lefkowitz, AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 427-1477, or by email REPORTSCLEARANCEOFFICER@ahrq.hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Proposed Project

Surveys on Patient Safety Culture® (SOPS®) Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Survey Database

In 1999, the Institute of Medicine called for healthcare organizations to develop a "culture of safety" such that their workforce and processes focus on improving the reliability and safety of care for patients (IOM, 1999; "To Err is Human: Building a Safer Health System"). To respond to the need for tools to assess patient safety culture in healthcare, AHRQ developed and pilot tested the Surveys on Patient Safety Culture® (SOPS®) Ambulatory Surgery Centers (ASC) Survey with OMB approval (OMB No. 0935-0216; approved October 31, 2013).

The SOPS-ASC is designed to enable ASCs to assess provider and staff perspectives about patient safety issues, medical error, and error reporting. The survey includes 27 items that measure 8 composites of patient safety culture. In addition to the composite items, the survey includes one item measuring how often ASCs document near-misses; one item asking whether the respondent is in the room during surgeries, procedures, or treatments; and three items about communication before and after surgeries, procedures, or treatments. The survey also includes an overall rating item on patient safety, two items about respondent characteristics, and a section for open-ended comments. AHRQ made the survey publicly available along with a Survey User's Guide and other toolkit materials in May 2015 on the AHRQ website.

The AHRQ SOPS-ASC Database consists of data from the AHRQ ASC Survey on Patient Safety Culture. Ambulatory surgery centers in the U.S. can voluntarily submit data from the

survey to AHRQ, through its contractor, Westat. The SOPS ASC Database (OMB No. 0935–0242; last approved on October 7, 2021; expiration date October 31, 2024) was developed by AHRQ in 2019 in response to requests from ASCs interested in tracking their own survey results. Organizations submitting data receive a feedback report, as well as a report of the aggregated, de-identified findings of the other ASCs submitting data. These reports are used to assist ASC staff in their efforts to improve patient safety culture in their organizations.

The SOPS ASC Survey and the SOPS ASC Database support AHRQ’s goals of promoting improvements in the quality and safety of healthcare in ASCs. The survey, toolkit materials, and database results are all made publicly available on AHRQ’s website. Technical assistance is provided by AHRQ through its contractor at no charge to ASCs, to facilitate the use of these materials for ASC patient safety and quality improvement.

The goals of the SOPS–ASC database are:

- (1) Presents results from ASCs that voluntarily submit their data;
- (2) Provides data to ASCs to facilitate internal assessment and learning in the patient safety improvement process; and
- (3) Provides supplemental information to help ASCs identify their strengths and areas with potential for improvement in patient safety culture.

To achieve these goals, the following activities and data collections will be implemented:

(1) **Eligibility and Registration Form**—The point-of-contact (POC), often the manager of the ASC, completes a number of data submission steps and forms, beginning with completion of an

online Eligibility and Registration Form. The purpose of this form is to collect basic demographic information about the ASC and initiate the registration process.

(2) **ASC Site Information**—The purpose of the site information form, completed by the ASC POC, is to collect background characteristics of the ASC. This information will be used to analyze data collected with the SOPS ASC Survey.

(3) **Data Use Agreement**—The purpose of the data use agreement, completed by the ASC manager, is to state how data submitted by ASCs will be used and provides confidentiality assurances.

(4) **SOPS ASC Survey Data File(s) Submission**—POCs upload their data file(s), using the SOPS ASC Survey data file specifications, to ensure that users submit their data in a standardized way (e.g., variable names, order, coding, formatting). The number of submissions to the database is likely to vary from submission period to submission period because ASCs do not administer the survey and submit data every year. Data submission is typically handled by one POC who is either an ASC administrative manager or a survey vendor who contracts with an ASC to collect and submit its data.

This study is being conducted by AHRQ through its contractor, Westat, pursuant to AHRQ’s statutory authority to conduct and support research on healthcare and on systems for the delivery of such care, including activities with respect to: the quality, effectiveness, efficiency, appropriateness and value of healthcare services; quality measurement and improvement; and database development. 42 U.S.C. 299a(a)(1), (2), and (8).

Method of Collection

All information collection for the SOPS ASC Database is done electronically, except the Data Use Agreement (DUA), which ASCs will print, sign, and return (either via fax, by scanning and emailing or uploading to a secure website, or by mailing back). Registration, submission of ASC information, and data upload is handled online through a secure website. Customized feedback reports will be delivered electronically (the person submitting the data will enter a username and password and will have access to a secure website from which to download their reports).

Estimated Annual Respondent Burden

Exhibit 1 shows the estimated annualized burden hours for the respondents’ time to participate in the database. The total burden is estimated to be 86 hours.

(1) *Eligibility and Registration Form*—Completed once by 60 ASC POCs. The form takes about 3 minutes to complete.

(2) *ASC Site Information*—Completed an average of 4 times by the 60 ASC POCs. The form takes 5 minutes to complete.

(3) *Data Use Agreement*—Completed once by 60 ASC POCs. The form takes about 3 minutes to complete.

(4) *SOPS ASC Survey Data File(s) Submission*—Each of the 60 POCs will submit their SOPS ASC Survey data. The data submission requires an hour on average to complete.

Exhibit 2 shows the estimated annualized cost burden based on the respondents’ time to submit their data. The cost burden is estimated to be \$4,386 annually.

EXHIBIT 1—ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Form name	Number of respondents/POCs	Number of responses per POC	Hours per response	Total burden hours
1. Eligibility and Registration Form	60	1	3/60	3
2. ASC Site Information	60	4	5/60	20
3. Data Use Agreement	60	1	3/60	3
4. SOPS ASC Survey Data Files Submission	60	1	1	60
Total	NA	NA	NA	86

EXHIBIT 2—ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST BURDEN

Form name	Total burden hours	Average hourly wage rate *	Total cost burden
1. Eligibility and Registration Form	3	\$50.99	\$153
2. ASC Site Information	20	50.99	1,020
3. Data Use Agreement	3	50.99	153

EXHIBIT 2—ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST BURDEN—Continued

Form name	Total burden hours	Average hourly wage rate *	Total cost burden
4. SOPS ASC Survey Data Files Submission	60	50.99	3,060
Total	86	NA	4,386

*Based on the mean hourly wage for 60 ASC Administrative Services Managers (11–3010; \$50.99) obtained from the May 2023 National Industry-Specific Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates: NAICS 621400—Outpatient Care Centers (located at https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics4_621400.htm#11-00000).

Request for Comments

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520, comments on AHRQ’s information collection are requested with regard to any of the following: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of AHRQ’s health care research and health care information dissemination functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of AHRQ’s estimate of burden (including hours and costs) of the proposed collection(s) of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information upon the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the Agency’s subsequent request for OMB approval of the proposed information collection. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: October 11, 2024.

Marquita Cullom,
Associate Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in person.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jaime Zimmerman, Designated Federal Official, at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 5600 Fishers Lane, Mail Stop 06E37A, Rockville, Maryland, 20857, (301) 427–1456. For press-related information, please contact Bruce Seeman at (301) 427–1998 or Bruce.Seeman@AHRQ.hhs.gov.

Closed captioning will be provided during the meeting. If another reasonable accommodation for a disability is needed, please contact the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Office of Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity Management on (301) 827–4840, no later than Friday, November 1, 2024. The agenda, roster, and minutes will be available from Jenny Griffith, Committee Management Officer, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland, 20857. Jenny Griffith’s phone number is (240) 446–6799.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Purpose

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality (the Council). 5 U.S.C. 1009. The Council is authorized by Section 941 of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 299c. In accordance with its statutory mandate, the Council is to advise the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Director of AHRQ on matters related to AHRQ’s conduct of its mission including providing guidance on (A) priorities for health care research, (B) the field of health care research including training needs and information dissemination on health care quality and (C) the role of the Agency in light of private sector activity and opportunities for public private partnerships. The Council is composed

of members of the public, appointed by the Secretary, and Federal ex-officio members specified in the authorizing legislation.

II. Agenda

On Wednesday, November 20, 2024, NAC members will meet to conduct preparatory work prior to convening the Council meeting at 9:30 a.m., with the call to order by the Council Chair, an introduction of NAC members, and approval of previous Council summary notes. The NAC members will then receive an update from the AHRQ Director. The agenda will also include an update on the AHRQ’s Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Trust Fund (PCORTF) Healthcare Extension Service, as well as an update on the Subcommittee of the National Advisory Council (SNAC) on National Action Alliance to Advance Patient Safety. The meeting will also include a discussion about the Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and System (CAHPS) and opportunities for modernizing the measurement of consumer experience. The meeting is open to the public and will adjourn at 3:30 p.m. For information regarding how to access the meeting as well as other meeting details, including information on how to make a public comment, please go to <https://www.ahrq.gov/news/events/nac/>. The final agenda will be available on the AHRQ website no later than Wednesday, November 13, 2024.

Dated: October 10, 2024.

Marquita Cullom,
Associate Director.

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