

SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION COLLECTION
UNDER GENERIC CLEARANCES

DATE OF REQUEST: October 29, 2008 _____

SUB AGENCY (I/C): NIH/NIAID/Division of AIDS _____

TITLE: Focus Group Discussions for Message and Materials Pretesting _____

GENERIC CLEARANCE UNDER OMB# 0925-0585-02 _____ **EXP. DATE:** 02/28/2011 _____

ABSTRACT:

The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases' (NIAID) Division of AIDS funds HIV vaccine research. In an effort to educate US populations most affected by HIV about HIV vaccine research, NIAID has created the NIAID HIV Vaccine Research Education Initiative (NHVREI) to foster knowledge of and support for HIV vaccine research. As part of NHVREI, local and national non-governmental partner organizations have committed to share information and educational materials about HIV vaccine research. NIAID developed educational materials in 2006 to meet this need; however, major events in vaccine research have since occurred. NIAID does not know the extent to which these materials remain effective with the target audiences. As a result, NIAID plans to conduct formative research with populations highly affected by HIV/AIDS: African Americans, Hispanics, men from all racial and ethnic groups who have sex with men (MSM), and transgender individuals (male to female only). This formative research includes a total of 24 groups, across four geographically dispersed U.S. cities, that will gather information about existing HIV vaccine research knowledge, attitudes, and intentions. In addition to gathering this information, NIAID also plans to ask respondents: what questions they have about HIV vaccine research; what would encourage them to be more supportive of these efforts; and what type of materials they would find useful for increasing knowledge of and support for HIV vaccine research.

TOTAL ANNUAL BURDEN APPROVED: 3689.0 hours _____

BURDEN USED TO DATE: 0 hours _____

BURDEN THIS REQUEST: 432.0 hours _____

IS RACE AND ETHNICITY DATA COLLECTED AS REQUIRED?

 X YES NO N/A

OBLIGATION TO RESPOND:

 X VOLUNTARY

 REQUIRED TO OBTAIN OR RETAIN BENEFITS

 MANDATORY

HOW WILL THIS SURVEY BE OFFERED?

 WEB SITE

 TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

 MAIL RESPONSE

 X IN PERSON INTERVIEW

 OTHER: _____

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