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SUB AGENCY (I/C): National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

TITLE: Testing of automated self-response methods for collecting the reduced content version of NCS pregnancy status follow-up contacts

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ABSTRACT:

This plan describes a proposed test for evaluating response rates using different self-response methods (Interactive Voice Response, web, and texting) for collecting a reduced-content version of the NCS pregnancy status follow-up contacts. The current protocol uses a longer questionnaire that asks detailed questions about factors related to the probability of pregnancy (e.g., use of birth control) and is not suitable for all data collection methods (e.g., text messaging). Compared to the existing phone calls, the automated self-response methods, if successful, will result in lower costs to the Study, less burden to the participant, and the collection of data earlier in pregnancy. The primary goal of the follow-up contacts is to accurately identify women in the study locations as early in the first trimester of pregnancy as possible. With this in mind, the National Children's Study Program Office is considering an approach for the follow-up contacts that differs from the current approach.

TOTAL ANNUAL BURDEN APPROVED: 5825 hours
BURDEN USED TO DATE: 430.3 hours
BURDEN THIS REQUEST: 121 hours
IS RACE AND ETHNICITY DATA COLLECTED AS REQUIRED? XYESNON/A
OBLIGATION TO RESPOND:
X VOLUNTARY
REQUIRED TO OBTAIN OR RETAIN BENEFITS
MANDATORY
HOW WILL THIS SURVEY BE OFFERED?
X WEB SITE
X TELEPHONE INTERVIEW
MAIL RESPONSE
X IN PERSON INTERVIEW
X OTHER: Text Message
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