

have been made to the guidance. The guidance announced in this notice finalizes the draft guidance dated October 2005.

The guidance is being issued consistent with FDA's good guidance practices regulation (21 CFR 10.115). The guidance represents FDA's current thinking on this topic. It does not create or confer any rights for or on any person and does not operate to bind FDA or the public. An alternative approach may be used if such approach satisfies the requirement of the applicable statutes and regulations.

II. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This guidance refers to previously approved collections of information found in FDA regulations. These collections of information are subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520). The collections of information in § 601.12(d) and (f)(2) have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0338.

III. Comments

Interested persons may, at any time, submit written or electronic comments to the Division of Dockets Management (see **ADDRESSES**) regarding this guidance. Submit a single copy of electronic comments or two paper copies of any mailed comments, except that individuals may submit one paper copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in the brackets in the heading of this document. A copy of the guidance and received comments are available for public examination in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

IV. Electronic Access

Persons with access to the Internet may obtain the guidance at either <http://www.fda.gov/cber/guidelines.htm> or <http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets/default.htm>.

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Jeffrey Shuren,

Assistant Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Proposed Collection: Comment Request; National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Information Clearinghouses Customer Satisfaction Survey

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 to provide opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), is giving public notice that the agency proposes to request reinstatement of an information collection activity for which approval has expired.

Proposed Collection: Title: NIDDK Information Clearinghouses Customer Satisfaction Survey. *Type of Information Requested:* Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired. The OMB control number 0925–0480 expired on July 31, 2003. *Need and Use of Information Collection:* NIDDK is conducting a survey to access the efficiency and effectiveness of services provided by NIDDK's three clearinghouses: the National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse (NDIC); the National Digestive Diseases Information Clearinghouse (NDDIC); and the National Kidney and Urologic Diseases Information Clearinghouse (NKUDRIC). The survey responds to Executive Order 12821, "Setting Customer Service Standards," which requires agencies and departments to identify and survey their "customers to determine the kind and quality of service they want and their level of satisfaction with existing services." *Frequency of Response:* On occasion. *Affected Public:* Individuals or households; business and for profit organizations; not-for-profit agencies. *Type of Respondents:* Physicians, healthcare professionals, patients, family and friends of patients.

The annual reporting burden is as follows: estimated number of respondents: 5,112; estimated number of responses per respondent: 1; estimated average burden hours per response: 0.025; and estimated total annual burden hours requested: 128. The annualized costs to respondents are estimated at \$6,400. There are no capital costs to report. There are no operating or maintenance costs to report.

Request for Comments: Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited

on one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) 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) 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 the information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection reports and instrument, contact Kathy Kranzfelder, Project Officer, NIDDK Information Clearinghouses, NIH, Building 31, Room 9A06, MSC2560, Bethesda, MD 20892. You may also submit comment and data by electronic mail (e-mail) at KranzfelderK@mail.nih.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Pre-Testing of NCI Communication Messages

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Cancer Institute (NCI), the National Institutes of Health (NIH) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval.

Proposed Collection: Title: Pretesting of NCI Communication Messages. *Type of Information Collection Request:* EXTENSION (OMB# 0925–0046, expires 10/31/06). *Need and Use of Information Collection:* In order to carry out NCI's legislative mandate to educate and disseminate information about cancer prevention, detection, diagnosis, and treatment to a wide variety of audiences

and organizations (e.g. cancer patients, their families, the general public, health providers, the media, voluntary groups, scientific and medical organizations), it is beneficial for NCI to pretest their communications strategies, concepts, and messages while they are under development. The primary purpose of this pretesting, or formative evaluation, is to ensure that the messages, communication materials, and information services created by NCI have the greatest capacity of being received, understood, and accepted by their target audiences. By utilizing appropriate qualitative and quantitative

methodologies, NCI is able to (1) understand characteristics of the intended target audience—their attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors—and use this information in the development of effective communication tools and strategies; (2) produce or refine messages that have the greatest potential to influence target audience attitudes and behavior in a positive manner; and (3) expend limited program resource dollars wisely and effectively. *Frequency of Response:* On occasion. *Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Businesses or other for profit; Not-for-profit institutions;

Federal Government; State, Local, or Tribal Government. *Type of Respondents:* Adult cancer patients; members of the public; health care professionals; organizational representatives. The annual reporting burden is as follows: *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 13,780; *Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 1; *Average Burden Hours Per Response:* .1458; and *Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested:* 2,010. The annualized cost to respondents is estimated at: \$34,155. There are no Capital Costs, Operating Costs, and/or Maintenance Costs to report.

ESTIMATE HOURS OF BURDEN

| Type of respondents | No. of respondents | Frequency of response | Average time per response | Annual hour burden |
|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Adults 18+ | 13,780 | 1 | .1458 | 2009.12 |
| Total | 13,780 | | | 2009.12 |

Request For Comments: Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited on one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) 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) 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 those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, contact Nina Goodman, Senior Analyst, Operations Research Office, OESI, NCI, NIH, 6116 Executive Blvd., Suite 400, Rockville, MD 20892, call non-toll-free number 301-435-7789 or e-mail your request, including your address to: goodmann@mail.nih.gov.

Comments Due Date: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 60 days of the date of this publication.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Government-Owned Inventions; Availability for Licensing

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, Public Health Service, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are owned by an agency of the U.S. Government and are available for licensing in the U.S. in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally-funded research and development. Foreign patent applications are filed on selected inventions to extend market coverage for companies and may also be available for licensing.

ADDRESSES: Licensing information and copies of the U.S. patent applications listed below may be obtained by writing to the indicated licensing contact at the Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health, 6011 Executive Boulevard, Suite 325, Rockville, Maryland 20852-3804; telephone: 301/496-7057; fax: 301/402-0220. A signed Confidential Disclosure Agreement will

be required to receive copies of the patent applications.

Real-Time Correction of Magnetic Field Fluctuations in MIR

Description of Technology: Available for licensing is a new MRI technique that will markedly improve the diagnostic potential of the rendered images. This is a method for applying real-time corrections to prevent image distortions caused by field variations that are due to the patient's respiratory cycle or instrument instability. These field variations reduce the B₀ homogeneity in a non-uniform and spatially-dependent manner. They may lead to a variety of image artifacts such as ghosting and blurring. This method provides a way of calculating the correct electrical currents that must be applied to a set of gradients and shims, smaller magnets that are used to make fine-tune adjustments to the magnetic field in a spatially-dependent manner. As the MRI subject breathes, changes in the B₀ field occur. During a brief training session, the amplitude of these changes as a function of chest motion is recorded in a phase map. Similarly, changes in B₀ as a function of chest motion is recorded in a phase map. Similarly, changes in B₀ as a function of current intensity is available from calibration data containing B₀ as a function of coil current. As the subject undergoes a scan, compensatory currents are applied to the x, y, or z axis of the gradients and the shims coils in order to correct for the effect of respiration on the B₀ homogeneity. The shim values can be updated every 10 to 80 milliseconds