

TABLE 1—ESTIMATED HOUR AND COST BURDEN OF THE DATA COLLECTION

Grant program	No. of respondents	Responses per respondent	Total responses	Average hours per response	Total hour burden	Wage rate	Total hour cost
LEND .....	39	6	234	.75	175.5	\$39.36	\$6,907.68
DBP .....	6	6	36	.75	27	39.36	1,062.72
State Implementation Program .....	9	6	54	.75	40.5	38.22	1,547.91
Research Program .....	9	6	54	.75	40.5	39.36	1,594.08
Total .....	63	.....	378	.....	283.5	.....	11,112.39

The estimated response burden is shown in Table 1.

E-mail comments to [paperwork@hrsa.gov](mailto:paperwork@hrsa.gov) or mail the HRSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 10-33, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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#### Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

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 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. Alternatively, to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instrument, call 404-639-5960 and send comments to Maryam I. Daneshvar, CDC Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road NE., MS-D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30333; comments may also be sent by e-mail to [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov).

Comments are invited on (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance

of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have a practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection 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 on respondents, including through the use of information technology. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

#### Proposed Project

School Dismissal Monitoring System—New—National Center for Preparedness, Detection, and Control of Infectious Diseases (NCPDCID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

#### Background and Brief Description

During the spring 2009 H1N1 outbreak, the U.S. Department of Education (ED) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) received numerous daily requests about the overall number of school dismissals nationwide including the number of students and teachers impacted by the outbreak. Illness among school-aged students (K-12) in many states and cities resulted in at least 1351 school dismissals due to rapidly increasing absenteeism among students or staff that impacted at least 824,966 students and 53,217 teachers.

Although a system was put in place to track school closures in conjunction with the Department of Education (ED), no formal monitoring system was established, making it difficult to monitor reports of school dismissal and to gauge the impact of the outbreak.

CDC has recently issued guidance for school closure for the 2009-2010 school

year. To address the need to monitor reports of school closure, CDC and ED have established a School Dismissal Monitoring System to report on novel influenza A (H1N1)-related school or school district dismissals in the United States. Although the School Dismissal Monitoring System is currently approved to collect data under OMB Control Number 0920-0008, Emergency Epidemic Investigations, CDC would like to continue the data collection long term. Thus, CDC is requesting a separate OMB Control Number for this data collection.

The purpose of the School Dismissal Monitoring System is to generate accurate, real-time, national summary data daily on the number of school dismissals and the number of students and teachers impacted by the school dismissals. CDC will use the summary data to fully understand how schools are responding to CDC community mitigation guidance among schools, students, household contacts and for overall awareness of the impact of influenza outbreaks on school systems and communities.

Respondents are schools, school districts, and local public health agencies. Respondents will use a common reporting form to submit data to CDC. The reporting form includes the following data elements: Name of school district; zip code of school district; date the school or school district was dismissed; and the date school or school district is projected to reopen. Optional data elements include: name of person submitting information; the organization/agency; phone number of the organization/agency; and e-mail address. There is no cost to respondents other than their time to complete the data collection.

## ESTIMATE OF ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Respondent	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Average burden per respondent (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
School, school district or public health department .....	100	1	5/60	8
Total .....				8

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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#### Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) publishes a list of information collection requests under review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of these requests, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer at (404) 639-5960 or send an e-mail to [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov). Send written comments to CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC or by fax to (202) 395-5806. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

#### Proposed Project

Field Evaluation of Prototype Kneel-assist Devices in Low-seam Mining—New—National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

#### Background and Brief Description

NIOSH, under Public Law 91-596, Sections 20 and 22 (Section 20-22, Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970) has the responsibility to conduct research relating to innovative methods, techniques, and approaches dealing with occupational safety and health problems.

According to the Mining Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) injury database, 227 knee injuries were

reported in underground coal mining in 2007. With data from the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), it can be estimated that the financial burden of knee injuries was nearly three million dollars in 2007.

Typically, mine workers utilize kneepads to better distribute the pressures at the knee. The effectiveness of these kneepads was only recently investigated in a study by NIOSH that has not yet been published. The results of this study demonstrated that kneepads do decrease the maximum stress applied to the knee albeit not drastically. Additionally, the average pressure across the knee remains similar to the case where subjects wore no kneepads at all. Thus, the injury data and the results of this study suggest the need for the improved design of kneel-assist devices such as kneepads. NIOSH is currently undertaking the task of designing more effective kneel-assist devices such as a kneepad and a padded support worn at the ankle where mine workers can comfortably rest their body weight.

These devices must also be field tested to verify they do not result in body discomfort or inadvertent accidents. It is also important to determine how usable and durable these devices are in the harsh mining environment. In order to quantitatively demonstrate that these prototype devices are superior to their predecessors, mine workers using these prototypes must be interviewed. Their feedback will identify any necessary changes to the design of the devices such that NIOSH can ensure the prototypes will be well-accepted by the mining community.

To collect this type of information, a field study must be conducted where kneel-assist devices currently used in the mining industry (i.e. kneepads) are compared to the new prototype designs. The study suggested here would take approximately 13 months.

Phase I of this study will evaluate the prototype kneel-assist device by mine

workers after being used for one month. Iterative changes will be made to the design based on the feedback obtained during Phase I. Data will be collected via interviews with individual mine workers and through a focus group where all mine workers come together to express their opinions about the devices. If the prototype kneel-assist devices do not appear to be successful, the data collected will be used to adequately redesign them and the above described process will begin again. If the prototype kneel-assist devices appear to be successful, Phase II of the study will commence.

Once Phase II of the study is ready to commence, cooperating mines will be identified. Every month, the section foreman at the cooperating mines will be asked to supply some information regarding the current mine environment.

Initially, the mine workers will be given a control kneel-assist device. Currently, mine workers only utilize kneepads as a kneel-assist device. Therefore, only a control kneepad will be provided. They will then be asked some basic demographics information such as their age and time in the mining industry. Additional data will then be collected at 1, 3, and 6 months after the study commences. The mine workers will be asked to provide their feedback regarding factors such as body part discomfort, usability, durability, and ease of movement with respect to the control kneepad. After evaluating the control kneepad, mine workers will then be given the prototype kneel-assist device that was finalized in Phase I of the study. The same questions that were asked about the control kneepad will again be asked at 1, 3, and 6 months after usage begins of the prototype. Thus, Phase II of the study will last 12 months.

There will be no cost to the respondents/subjects other than their time. The total burden hours are estimated to be 182.