

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Labs .....	660	2	10/60	220
Labs .....	330	1	30/60	165
Total .....				385

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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 clarify 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**

Model Performance Evaluation Program for *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* and Non-tuberculous Mycobacterium Drug Susceptibility Testing (OMB Control No. 0920-0600, expiration date 03/31/2010)—Revision—National Center for Preparedness, Detection, and Control of Infectious Diseases (NCPDCID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

**Background and Brief Description**

As part of the continuing effort to support both domestic and global public health objectives for treatment of tuberculosis (TB), prevention of multi-drug resistance, and surveillance programs, CDC is requesting approval from the Office of Management and Budget to continue data collection from participants in the Model Performance Evaluation Program for *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* and Non-tuberculous Mycobacterium Drug Susceptibility Testing. This request includes changes to the Results Form and re-introduction of the Laboratory Practices Questionnaire.

While the overall number of cases of TB in the U.S. has decreased, rates still remain high among foreign-born persons, prisoners, homeless populations, and individuals infected with HIV in major metropolitan areas. The rate of TB cases detected in foreign-born persons has been reported to be more than nine times higher than the rate among the U.S. born population. CDC's goal to eliminate TB will be virtually impossible without considerable effort in assisting heavy disease burden countries in the reduction of tuberculosis. The Model Performance Evaluation Program for *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* and Non-tuberculous Mycobacterium Drug Susceptibility Testing program supports this role by monitoring and evaluating the level of performance and practices among national and international

laboratories performing *M. tuberculosis* susceptibility testing. Participation in this program is one way laboratories can ensure high-quality laboratory testing, resulting in accurate and reliable testing results.

By providing an evaluation program to assess the ability of the laboratories to test for drug resistant *M. tuberculosis* and selected strains of Non-tuberculous *Mycobacteria* (NTM), laboratories also have a self-assessment tool to aid in optimizing their skills in susceptibility testing. The information obtained from laboratories on susceptibility testing practices and procedures is used to establish variables related to good performance, assessing training needs, and aid with the development of practice standards.

Participants in this program include domestic clinical and public health laboratories and international laboratories. Data collection from domestic laboratory participants occurs twice per year. Data collection from international laboratories is limited to those that have public health responsibilities for tuberculosis drug susceptibility testing and have obtained approval to participate by their national tuberculosis program. The data collected in this program will include the susceptibility test results of primary and secondary drugs, drug concentrations, and test methods performed by laboratories on a set of performance evaluation (PE) samples. The PE samples are sent to participants twice a year. Participants also report demographic data such as laboratory type and the number of tests performed annually. Participants report this data every two years. The burden for the Laboratory Practices Questionnaire has been adjusted for the average per year, since responses are received every other year.

There is no cost to respondents to participate other than their time.

ESTIMATE OF ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Form	Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Susceptibility Testing Results Form .....	Labs .....	262	2	30/60	262
Laboratory Practices Questionnaire .....	Labs .....	132	1	30/60	66
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	328

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration**

**Delegation of Authority**

Notice is hereby given that I have delegated to the Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), with authority to redelegate, the authorities vested in the Secretary of Health and Human Services under section 3990 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280g-3), as amended hereafter, insofar as these authorities pertain to the functions assigned to SAMHSA.

These authorities shall be exercised under the Department's Policy on regulations and the existing delegation of authority to approve and issue regulations.

In addition, I have affirmed and ratified any actions taken by the SAMHSA Administrator or by any other SAMHSA officials, which, in effect, involved the exercise of this authority prior to the effective date of this delegation.

This delegation is effective upon date of signature.

Dated: June 5, 2009.  
**Kathleen Sebelius,**  
*Secretary.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

[Docket No. DHS-2009-0086]

**Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate; Submission for Review; Information Collection Request for the DHS S&T SAFETY Act Program**

**AGENCY:** Science and Technology Directorate, DHS.

**ACTION:** 60-day Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) invites the general public to comment on the following data collection forms for the DHS Science and Technology Directorate's Support Anti-Terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies (SAFETY) Act Program: Registration of a Seller of an Anti-Terrorism Technology (DHS Form 10010), Request for a Pre-Application Consultation (DHS Form 10009), Notice of License of Qualified Anti-Terrorism Technology (DHS Form 10003), Application for Modification of SAFETY Act Benefits (DHS Form 10002), Request for Transfer of SAFETY Act Benefits (DHS Form 10001), Application for SAFETY Act Renewal, Application for SAFETY Act Developmental Testing and Evaluation (DT&E) Designation (DHS Form 10006), Application for SAFETY Act Designation (DHS Form 10008), Application for SAFETY Act Certification (DHS Form 10007), Application for SAFETY Act Block Designation (DHS Form 10005), and Application for SAFETY Act Block Certification (DHS Form 10004).

In 2002, The Support Anti-Terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies (SAFETY) Act (6 CFR Part 25) was enacted as part of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, Public Law 107-296. The SAFETY Act program promotes the development and use of anti-terrorism technologies that will enhance the protection of the nation and provides risk management and litigation management protections for sellers of Qualified Anti-Terrorism Technology (QATT) and others in the supply and distribution chain.

The Department of Homeland Security Science & Technology Directorate (DHS S&T) currently has approval to collect information for the implementation of the SAFETY Act program until January 31, 2010. With this notice, DHS S&T seeks approval to renew this information collection for continued use after this date. The SAFETY Act program requires the collection of this information in order to evaluate and qualify Anti-Terrorism Technologies, based on the economic and technical criteria contained in the SAFETY Act Final Rule, for protection in accordance with the Act, and therefore encourage the development and deployment of new and innovative anti-terrorism products and services.

This notice and request for comments is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until August 17, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to Desk Officer for the Department of Homeland Security, Science & Technology Directorate, and sent via electronic mail to *oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov* or faxed to (202) 395-6974. Please include the docket number [DHS-2009-0086] in the subject line of the message.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Bowerbank, 202-254-6895.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DHS S&T provides a secure website, accessible through *http://www.SAFETYAct.gov*, through which the public can learn about the program, submit applications for SAFETY Act protections, submit questions to the Office of SAFETY Act Implementation (OSAI), and provide feedback. The data collection forms have standardized the collection of information that is both necessary and essential for the DHS OSAI.