**OMB Justification for Change**

Project Title: Hemophilia and AIDS/HIV Network for the Dissemination of Information (HANDI) Evaluation Support

Project Number: ICR 0920-0858

Reason for Change Request: Attempts to recruit sufficient numbers of people from the four originally selected cities to participate in the in-person focus groups were unsuccessful despite extending recruitment over a four-month time period. By casting a wider net and recruiting nationwide we will be able to reach more potential participants. Further, we believe that by changing to a telephone focus group methodology we can boost recruitment rates by eliminating the barrier of participants needing to travel to a focus group facility, which for some may require a two hour drive and precipitate the need to make and pay for childcare arrangements.

Estimates of Annualized Burden Hours and Costs: There is no change to the estimated annualized burden hours and cost estimates since the design has not changed with the exception of conducting the focus groups by telephone instead of in-person. The number of groups planned to be held and number of participants per groups has not changed. It is estimated that 120 respondents will have to be screened in order to recruit 108 focus group participants. Each screening will take approximately 12 minutes. The estimated response burden for the screening process is 24 hours. The focus groups will have an average of nine participants each. Twelve focus groups will be conducted, with a total of 108 participants. Each focus group will take 90 minutes, for a total burden of 162 hours. The informed consent will take approximately 6 minutes to complete, for a total burden of 11 hours.

1. ***Estimated Annualized Burden Hours***

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| **Type of Respondents** | **Form Name** | **No. of Respondents** | **No. Responses per Respondent** | **Average Burden per Response (in hours)** | **Total Burden**  **Hours** |
| Parents of adolescents (aged 5–12) and parents of teens/young adults (aged 16–19) living with hemophilia | Participant Screener and Recruitment Script | 120 | 1 | 12/60 | 24 |
| Young adults aged 16–19 living with hemophilia |
| Parents of adolescents (aged 5–12) and parents of teens/young adults (aged 16–19) living with hemophilia | Moderator’s Guide | 108  (12 groups x 9 participants per group) | 1 | 1.5 | 162 |
| Young adults aged 16–19 living with hemophilia |
| Parents of adolescents (aged 5–12) and parents of teens/young adults (aged 16–19) living with hemophilia | Informed Consent | 108  (12 groups x 9 participants per group) | 1 | 6/60 | 11 |
| Young adults aged 16–19 living with hemophilia |
| **TOTAL** |  | **336** | **—** | **—** | **197** |

1. ***Estimated Annualized Burden Costs***

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| **Type of Respondents** | **Form Name** | **No. of Respondents** | **No. Responses per Respondent** | **Average Burden per Response (in hours)** | **Total Burden**  **Hours** | **Hourly Wage Rate ($)** | **Total Respondent**  **Costs ($)** |
| Parents of adolescents (aged 5–12) and parents of teens/young adults (aged 16–19) living with hemophilia | Participant Screener and Recruitment Script | 120 | 1 | 12/60 | 24 | 20.32 | 488 |
| Young adults aged 16–19 living with hemophilia |
| Parents of adolescents (aged 5–12) and parents of teens/young adults (aged 16–19) living with hemophilia | Moderator’s Guide | 108  (12 groups x 9 participants per group) | 1 | 1.5 | 162 | 20.32 | 3,292 |
| Young adults aged 16–19 living with hemophilia |
| Parents of adolescents (aged 5–12) and parents of teens/young adults (aged 16–19) living with hemophilia | Informed Consent | 108  (12 groups x 9 participants per group) | 1 | 6/60 | 11 | 20.32 | 224 |
| Young adults aged 16–19 living with hemophilia |
| **TOTAL** |  | **336** |  | **—** | **197** | **—** | **$4,004** |

The hourly wage cost is based on the U.S. Department of Labor’s “May 2008 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates,” which lists the mean hourly wage for all occupations as $20.32. See <http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes_nat.htm#b00-0000>

Methodology: The originally approved methodology will remain the same with the exception of conducting the focus groups by telephone (using a toll-free number) instead of conducting the groups in-person. Additionally, participants will be recruited from throughout the U.S. instead of the four cities originally targeted (Atlanta, GA; Detroit, MI; Philadelphia, PA; San Francisco, CA). Each of the 12 focus groups will still have an average of 9 participants, for an approximate total of 108 human subjects. The two target audiences remain the same:

1. Young adults aged 16–19 living with hemophilia
2. Parents of adolescents aged 5–12 and parents of teens/young adults aged 16–19 living with hemophilia.

Groups will still be led by a professionally trained focus group moderator and last approximately 90 minutes as originally proposed.

Instruments: The moderator guides for the focus groups will contain only minor changes. For example, any references to posting ground rules or discussion points on a flip chart will be eliminated. Also, the group exercise will be modified so that participants can conduct the exercise independently rather than as part of a group. Lastly, the false close will be modified.