

SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION COLLECTION
UNDER GENERIC CLEARANCES

DATE OF REQUEST: 12/9/2011

SUB AGENCY (I/C): OER/IMOD

TITLE: NIH EXTERNAL CONSTITUENCY SURVEYS

GENERIC CLEARANCE UNDER OMB# 0925-0627 **EXP. DATE:** 2/28/2014

ABSTRACT:

In June 2007 the NIH Director established working groups to examine peer review at NIH as part of a broad [Enhancing Peer Review initiative](#). The Enhancing Peer Review implementation plan was developed to accomplish three priority goals: 1) engage the best reviewers, 2) improve the quality and transparency of review and 3) ensure balanced and fair reviews across different scientific fields and career stages. As implementation proceeds, a process of assessment and continuous improvement was also established. Peer review process changes were first implemented in January 2009 and assessed in January –May 2010. Changes to shorten the NIH grant application were effective in January 2010. The NIH is committed to a quality control and improvement process for peer review. It is crucial to get ongoing information about satisfaction from NIH's constituents to inform the Enhancing Peer Review initiative.

TOTAL ANNUAL BURDEN APPROVED: 74,010

BURDEN USED TO DATE: 75

BURDEN THIS REQUEST: 2,292.5

IS RACE AND ETHNICITY DATA COLLECTED AS REQUIRED?

YES NO N/A

OBLIGATION TO RESPOND:

VOLUNTARY

REQUIRED TO OBTAIN OR RETAIN BENEFITS

MANDATORY

HOW WILL THIS SURVEY BE OFFERED?

WEB SITE

TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

MAIL RESPONSE

IN PERSON INTERVIEW

OTHER: _____

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