

APPENDIX B
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: **Head Start** Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).

OMB No.: New Collection.

Description: The Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Administration for Children and Families (ACF) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is requesting Office of Management and Budget (OMB) clearance for interview instruments to be used in the **Head Start** Family and Child Experience Survey (FACES). This study is being conducted under contracts with Abt Associates Inc.

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(with The CDM Group, Inc. as their subcontractor (#105-96-1930)) to collect descriptive information on **Head Start** families, and Westat, Inc. (with Ellsworth Associates as their subcontractor (#105-96-1912)) to collect information on **Head Start** performance measures. The design calls for three rounds of data collection. A nationally representative group of 2,400 families with children enrolled in approximately 160 centers in 40 **Head Start** programs will be identified in Spring, 1997. At that time, **Head Start** staff and parents will be interviewed, classroom observations will be completed, and children will be assessed. The second data collection period will occur in Fall, 1997. Again, staff and parents will be interviewed, and children will be assessed and observed in their classrooms. At that time children from the Spring, 1997 sample that left **Head Start** to enter kindergarten following the 1996-97 **Head Start** year will be replaced by a representative sample of children just entering **Head Start**. All families, including those whose children entered kindergarten in Fall, 1997 will be tracked through the school year. The final data collection effort will occur in Spring, 1998 and involve all families and children identified in the earlier two data collection periods.

A subgroup of 120 families will be identified from the Spring and Fall, 1997 samples for participation in the Validation Substudy. The Validation Substudy data collection will require home visits to participating families at each major data collection point and a series of monthly contacts between data collections periods. The monthly contacts will begin with the Spring, 1997 data collection and continue through December, 1998.

This schedule of data collection is necessitated by the mandates of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993 (Public Law 103-62), which requires that the **Head Start** Bureau move expeditiously toward development and testing of **Head Start** Performance Measures, and by the 1994 reauthorization of **Head Start** (**Head Start** Act, as amended, May 18, 1994, Section 649 (d)), which requires assessment of **Head Start**'s quality and effectiveness.

Respondents: Federal Government, Individuals or Households, and Not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Estimates

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Spring, 1997.....	7,840	1	0.652	5,110
Fall, 1997.....	8,400	1	0.648	5,440
Spring, 1998.....	11,460	1	0.654	7,500

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 9,025.

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, Division of Information Resource Management Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments 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 practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) 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 automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Dated: November 20, 1996.

Bob Sargis,

Acting Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Administration for Children and Families

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Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 9,025.

Note: The 9,025 annual hours is based on an average of 1997 and 1998 estimated burden hours.

Additional Information: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, Division of Information Resource Management Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer.

OMB Comment: OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the Federal Register. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attn: Ms. Wendy Taylor.

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 Bob Sargis,
 Acting Reports Clearance Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Project

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).

OMB No.: Revision of a currently approved collection (OMB No. 0970-0151).

Description: The Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Administration for Children and Families (ACF) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is requesting comments on plans to extend the Head Start Family and Child Experience Survey (FACES). This study is being conducted under contract with Westat, Inc. (with Elsworth Associates and the CDM Group as their subcontractors) (#105-96-1912) to collect information on Head Start performance measures. This revision is intended to extend the current design to a national probability sample of 43 additional Head Start programs in order to ascertain what progress has been made since 1997 in meeting Head Start program performance goals.

FACES currently involves seven phases of data collection. The first phase was a Spring 1997 Field test in which approximately 2400 parents and children were studied in a nationally stratified random sample of 40 Head Start programs. The second and third phases occurred in Fall 1997 (Wave 1) and Spring 1998 (Wave 2) when data were collected on a sample of 3200 children and families in the same 40 programs. Spring 1998 data collection included assessments of both Head Start children completing kindergarten (kindergarten field test) as well as interviews with their parents and ratings by their kindergarten teachers. In the fourth and fifth phases, follow-up continued for a second program year, plus a kindergarten follow-up. The sixth and seventh waves of data collection involve data collection in spring of the first-grade year

for both cohorts of children, those completing kindergarten in spring 1999, and those completing kindergarten in spring 2000. The current plan is to extend data collection to a new cohort of 2825 children and families in a new sample of 43 Head Start programs.

This schedule of data collection is necessitated by the mandates of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993 (Pub. L. 103-62), which requires that the Head Start Bureau move expeditiously toward development and testing of Head Start Performance Measures, and by the 1994 reauthorization of Head Start (Head Start Act, as amended, May 18, 1994, Section 649 (d)), which requires periodic assessments of Head Start's quality and effectiveness.

Respondents: Federal Government, Individuals or Households, and Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Response Burden for Respondents to the Head Start Family
and Child Experience Survey (FACES 2000)--Fall 2000, Spring 2001,
Spring 2002, Spring 2003.

Annual Burden Estimates

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Year 1 (2000):				
Head Start Parents.....	2825	1	1.00	2825
Head Start Children.....	2825	1	0.66	1865
Head Start Teachers (child ratings)	195	14	0.25	706
Center Directors.....	172	1	1.00	172
Education Coordinators.....	172	1	0.75	129
Classroom Teachers.....	195	1	1.00	195
Year 2 (2001):				
Head Start Parents.....	2400	1	0.75	1800
Head Start Children.....	2400	1	0.66	1584
Head Start Teachers (child ratings)	195	12	0.25	600
Family Services Coordinators.....	172	1	0.75	129
Year 3 (2002):				
Head Start Parents.....	800	1	0.75	600
Head Start Children.....	800	1	0.66	528
Head Start Teachers (child ratings)	65	12	0.25	200
Kindergarten Parents.....	1600	1	0.75	1200
Kindergarten Children.....	1600	1	0.75	1200
Kindergarten Teachers.....	1600	1	0.50	800
Year 4 (2003):				
Kindergarten Parents.....	800	1	0.75	600
Kindergarten Children.....	800	1	0.75	600
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Kindergarten Teachers.....	800	1	0.50	400

Annualized Totals: Year 1, 5892				

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES)/
Quality Research Center Consortium.

OMB No.: Revision of a currently approved collection (#0970-0151).

Description: The Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Administration for Children and Families (ACF) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is requesting comments on plans to amend the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES) data collection. This study is being conducted under contract with Westat, Inc. (with Ellsworth Associates and the CDM Group as their subcontractors) (#105-96-1912) to collect information on Head Start performance measures. The current revision is intended to include 8 additional sites participating in the Head Start Quality Research Center Consortium. These Head Start program-university researcher partnerships, funded under cooperative agreements with ACYF, will be conducting evaluations of interventions designed to enhance the school readiness of Head Start children in such areas as literacy and social-emotional development, through improvements in curriculum, training, and assessment practices. This amendment will include use of subsections of the FACES instrument battery to obtain information about classroom quality and child performance both before and after the implementation of the interventions. Data from local sites can then be compared to the data available from the FACES national sample.

Respondents: Federal Government, Individuals or Households, and Not-for-profit institutions.

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Estimated Response Burden for Respondents to the Quality Research Center Consortium
FACES Data Collection, 2001, 2002, 2003

Annual Burden Estimates

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Year 1 (Fall 2001):				
Head Start Children.....	520	1	0.66	343
Head Start Teachers (child ratings).	40	13	0.25	130
Center Directors.....	8	1	1.00	8
Education Coordinators.....	8	1	0.75	6
Classroom Teachers.....	40	1	1.00	40
Year 2 (Spring 2002):				
Head Start Children.....	520	1	0.66	343
Head Start Teachers (child ratings).	40	13	0.25	130
Classroom Teachers.....	40	1	1.00	40
(Fall 2002):				
Head Start Children.....	800	1	0.66	528
Head Start Teachers (child ratings).	80	13	0.25	260
Center Directors.....	16	1	1.00	16
Education Coordinators.....	16	1	0.75	13
Classroom Teachers.....	80	1	1.00	80
Year 3 (Spring 2003):				
Head Start Children.....	800	1	0.66	528
Head Start Teachers (child ratings).	80	13	0.25	260
Classroom Teachers.....	80	1	1.0	80
Annualized Totals:				
Year 1.....	.....	.....	.....	527
Year 2.....	.....	.....	.....	1410
Year 3.....	.....	.....	.....	868

Estimated Average Annual Burden Hours: 935.

Note: The 935 Estimated Average Burden Hours is based on an average of 2001, 2002, and 2003 estimated burden hours:

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The Department specifically requests comments 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 practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects:

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES) and Quality Research Centers.

OMB No.: Revision of a currently approved collection (OMB No. 0970-0151).

Description: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is requesting comments on plans to collect data on a new cohort for the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). This study is being conducted under contract with Westat, Inc. (with Xtria, LCC and the CDM Group as their subcontractors) (contract GS23F8144H; order 03Y00318101D) to collect information on Head Start performance measures.

FACES will involve four waves of data collection. The first wave will occur in Fall 2003. Data will be collected on a sample of approximately 2,600 children and families from about 260 classrooms

across 70 programs. Data collection will include assessments of Head Start children, interviews with their parents, and ratings by their Head Start teachers. Further, site visitors will interview Head Start teachers and make observations of the types and quality of classroom activities.

The second wave, which will be a repeat of the Fall 2003 data collection, will occur in Spring 2004 when the sample children are at the end of their first year of Head Start.

The third wave will occur in Spring 2005, and will involve follow-up with children who at this time are either completing a second year in Head Start, or completing kindergarten. For those children who are still attending Head Start, data collection will follow the same procedures as in Spring 2004. For those children attending kindergarten, data collection will include assessments of Head Start children, an “update” survey of the information collected from the parent interview, and ratings of the children's academic progress and school adjustment by kindergarten teachers.

The fourth wave of data collection will occur in Spring 2006. Children who attended kindergarten the previous year will not be included in this wave. The procedures for this effort will be the same as for kindergartners in Spring 2005.

For the Head Start Quality Research Centers, 100 children in eight sites will be followed during each of two program years, 2003-2004 and 2004-2005. FACES procedures will be carried out, including child assessments, parent and teacher interviews, and observations of types and quality of classroom activities.

This schedule of data collection is necessitated by the mandates of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993 (Pub. L. 103-62), which requires that the Head Start Bureau move expeditiously toward development and testing of Head Start Performance Measures, and by the 1994 reauthorization of Head Start (Head Start Act, as amended, May 18, 1994, Section 649 (d)), which requires periodic assessments of Head Start's quality and effectiveness.

Respondents: Federal Government, Individuals or Households, and Not-for-profit institutions.

**Estimated Response Burden for Respondents to the Head Start Family
and Child Experiences Survey (FACES 2003)--Fall 2003, Spring 2004,
Spring 2005, Spring 2006.**

Annual Burden Estimates

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Year 1 (2003)				
Head Start Parent Interview.....	2,600	1	1.00	2,600
Head Start Child Assessment.....	2,600	1	0.66	1,716
Teacher Child Rating.....	260	10	0.25	650
Program Director Interview.....	70	1	1.00	70
Center Director Interview.....	130	1	1.00	130
Education Coordinator Interview.....	130	1	0.75	98
Teacher Interview.....	260	1	1.00	260
Year 2 (2004)				
Head Start Parent Interview.....	2,210	1	0.75	1,658
Head Start Child Assessment.....	2,210	1	0.66	1,459
Teacher Child Rating.....	260	8	0.25	520
Family Service Coordinator Interview	130	1	0.75	173
Year 3 (2005)				
Head Start Parent Interview.....	730	1	0.75	548
Head Start Child Assessment.....	730	1	0.66	482

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects:

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES)

OMB No. Revision of a currently approved collection (OMB No. 0970-0151).

Description: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is requesting comments on plans to collect data on a new cohort for the Head Start Family and Child Experience Survey (FACES). This study is being conducted to collect information on Head Start performance measures under contract with Mathematica Policy Research, Inc. (with Juarez and Associates and Educational Testing Service as their subcontractors) (contract #HHSP23320052905YC).

FACES will involve four waves of data collection. The first wave will occur in Fall 2006. Data will be collected on a sample of approximately 2,800 children and families from about 350 classrooms across 60 Head Start programs. Data collection will include assessments of Head Start children, interviews with their parents, and ratings by their Head Start teachers. Further, site visitors will interview Head Start teachers and make observations of the types and quality of classroom activities.

The second wave in spring 2007, will be very similar to the Fall 2006 data collection, except that we will not repeat interviews with the Head Start staff interviewed in the fall, and will add an interview of the family services coordinator. The children in the second wave will be at the end of their first year of Head Start.

The third wave will occur in Spring 2008, and will involve follow-ups with children who at this time are either completing a second year in Head Start, or completing kindergarten. For those children who are still attending Head Start, data collection will follow the same procedures as in Spring 2007. For those children attending kindergarten, data collection will include assessments of children, an "update" survey of the information collected from the parent interview, and ratings of the children's academic progress and school adjustment by kindergarten teachers.

The fourth wave of data collection will occur in Spring 2009. Children who attended kindergarten the previous year will not be included in this wave. The procedures for this effort will be the same as for kindergartners in Spring 2008.

This schedule of data collection is necessitated by the mandates of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993 (Pub. L. 103-62), which requires that the Head Start Bureau move expeditiously toward development and testing of Head Start Performance Measures, and by the 1994 reauthorization of Head Start (Head Start Act, as amended, May 18, 1994, Section 649 (d)), which requires periodic assessments of Head Start's quality and effectiveness.

Respondents: Federal Government, Individuals or Households, and Not-for-profit institutions.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Estimated Response Burden for Respondents to the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES 2006)--Fall 2006, Spring 2007, Spring 2008, Spring 2009.

Instrument	Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hours per Response	Total Burden Hours
Year 1 (2006)				
Head Start Parent Interview	2,800	1	1.00	2,800
Head Start Child Assessment	2,800	1	0.66	1,848
Teacher Child Rating	350	8	0.25	700
Program Director Interview	60	1	1.00	60
Center Director Interview	120	1	1.00	120
Education Coordinator Interview	120	1	0.75	90
Teacher Interview	350	1	1.00	350
Year 1 Total	6,600			5,968
Year 2 (2007)				
Head Start Parent Interview	2,400	1	0.75	1,800
Head Start Child Assessment	2,400	1	0.66	1,584
Teacher Child Rating	350	6.75	0.25	591
Family Service Coordinator Interview	120	1	0.75	90
Year 2 Total	5,270			4,065
Year 3 (2008)				
Head Start Parent Interview	850	1	0.75	638
Head Start Child Assessment	850	1	0.66	561
Teacher Child Rating	175	4.5	0.25	197
Kindergarten Parent Interview	1,110	1	0.75	832
Kindergarten Child Assessment	1,110	1	0.75	832
Kindergarten Teacher Questionnaire	1,110	1	0.50	555
Year 3 Total	5,205			3,615
Year 4 (2009)				
Kindergarten Parent Interview	725	1	0.75	544
Kindergarten Child Assessment	725	1	0.75	544
Kindergarten Teacher Questionnaire	725	1	0.50	362
Year 4 Total	2,175			1,450
Estimated Total Burden Hours:				15,098
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours (average of 4 years)				3,775

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DATED: _____

Robert Sargis
Reports Clearance Officer

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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OMB No.: 0970-0151

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FACES will involve five waves of data collection. The first wave will occur in fall 2006. Data will be collected on a sample of approximately 3,650 3- and 4-year-old children and their families from about 350 classrooms across 60 Head Start programs. Data collection will include assessments of Head Start children, interviews with their parents, and ratings by their Head Start teachers. Furthermore, site visitors will interview Head Start teachers and management staff.

The second wave in spring 2007 will be very similar to the fall 2006 data collection, except that we will not repeat interviews with the Head Start staff interviewed in the fall. The children in the second wave will be at the end of their first year of Head Start. Trained staff will also do observations of children's Head Start classrooms.

The third wave will occur in fall 2007 and will involve follow-ups with children who at this time are starting their second year in Head Start. Data collection will follow the same procedures as in fall 2006.

The fourth wave will occur in spring 2008 and will involve follow-ups with children who at this time are either completing a second year in Head Start or completing kindergarten. For those children who are still attending Head Start, data collection will follow the same procedures as in spring 2007. For those children attending kindergarten, data collection will include assessments of children, an "update" survey of the information collected from the parent interview, and ratings of the children's academic progress and school adjustment by kindergarten teachers.

The fifth wave of data collection will occur in spring 2009. Children who attended kindergarten the previous year will not be included in this wave. The procedures for this effort will be the same as for kindergartners in spring 2008.

This schedule of data collection is necessitated by the mandates of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993 (Pub. L. 103-62), which requires that the Head Start Bureau move expeditiously toward development and testing of Head Start Performance Measures and, by the 1994 reauthorization of Head Start (Head Start Act, as amended, May 18, 1994, Section 649 (d)), which requires periodic assessments of Head Start's quality and effectiveness.

Respondents: Federal Government, Individuals or Households, and Not-for-Profit Institutions.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Estimated Response Burden for Respondents to the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES 2006)—Fall 2006, Spring 2007, Fall 2007, Spring 2008, Spring 2009.

Instrument	Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hours per Response	Total Burden Hours
Year 1				
Fall 2006				
Head Start Parent Interview	3,464	1	1.00	3,464
Head Start Child Assessment	3,464	1	0.66	2,286
Teacher Child Rating	350	9.4	0.25	823
Program Director Interview	60	1	0.25	15
Center Director Interview	120	1	0.80	96
Education Coordinator Interview	120	1	0.75	90
Teacher Interview	350	1	1.00	350
Spring 2007				
Head Start Parent Interview	2,789	1	0.75	2,092
Head Start Child Assessment	2,882	1	0.66	1,902
Teacher Child Rating	370	8.2	0.25	759
Head Start Teacher-new	70	1	1.00	70
Head Start Teacher-continuing	300	1	0.50	150
Year 2				
Fall 2007				
Head Start Parent Interview	1,333	1	0.40	533
Head Start Child Assessment	1,425	1	0.66	941
Teacher Child Rating	200	7.5	0.25	375
Spring 2008				
Head Start Parent Interview	1,172	1	0.75	879
Head Start Child Assessment	1,282	1	0.66	846
Teacher Child Rating	200	6.7	0.25	335
Head Start Teacher Interview	200	1	200	200
Kindergarten Parent Interview	1,171	1	0.75	878
Kindergarten Child Assessment	1,102	1	0.75	827
Kindergarten Teacher Questionnaire and Child Rating	964	1	0.50	482

Instrument	Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hours per Response	Total Burden Hours
Year 3				
Spring 2009				
Kindergarten Parent Interview	1,172	1	0.75	879
Kindergarten Child Assessment	1,103	1	0.75	827
Kindergarten Teacher Questionnaire and Child Rating	965	1	0.50	483
Estimated Total Burden Hours:				20,582
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours (average of 3 years)				6,861

Additional Information:

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OMB Comment:

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Project:

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES)

OMB No.: 0970-0151

Description: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is planning to collect data on a new cohort for the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). FACES is a longitudinal study of a nationally representative sample of Head Start programs and children that will collect information for Head Start performance measures. Data for FACES will be collected annually through interviews with Head Start parents, teachers, program directors and other Head Start staff, as well as direct child assessments and observations of Head Start classrooms.

Information will be collected on a sample of approximately 3,500 children and families from 60 Head Start programs. The methods of data collection will include assessments of Head Start children, interviews with their parents, and ratings by their Head Start teachers. Site visitors will interview Head Start teachers in approximately 350 classrooms and make observations of the types and quality of classroom activities. Interviews will also be conducted with Head Start program directors and other staff. A follow-up for children in Kindergarten will include child assessments, parent interviews, and teacher questionnaires and child ratings.

Respondents: Parents of Head Start Children, Head Start Children, Head Start Teachers, Head Start Program Directors and Staff, and Kindergarten Teachers of former Head Start enrollees.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Annual Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hour per Response	Estimated Annual Burden Hours
Head Start Parent Interview	2,589	1	0.83	2,149
Head Start Child Assessment	2,589	1	0.75	1,942
Head Start Teacher Interview	300	1	0.83	249
Head Start Teacher Child Rating	300	8.6	0.25	645
Head Start Program Director Interview	20	1	0.25	5
Head Start Center Director Interview	40	1	0.75	30
Head Start Education Coordinator Interview	40	1	0.75	30
Kindergarten Parent Interview	771	1	0.75	578
Kindergarten Child Assessment	771	1	0.75	578
Kindergarten Teacher Questionnaire and Child Rating	643	1.2	0.50	386

ESTIMATED TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 6,592

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DATED: _____

 Steven M. Hanmer
 OPRE Reports Clearance Officer

4184-01

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Proposed Project:

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES 2009)

OMB No.: 0970-0151

Description: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is planning to collect data on a new cohort for the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). FACES is a longitudinal study of a nationally representative sample of Head Start programs and children that will collect information for Head Start performance measures. Data for FACES will be collected annually through interviews with Head Start parents, teachers, program directors and other Head Start staff, as well as direct child assessments and observations of Head Start classrooms.

Data will be collected on a sample of approximately 3,400 children and families from 60 Head Start programs. Data collection will include assessments of Head Start children, interviews with their parents, and ratings by their Head Start teachers. Site visitors will interview Head Start teachers in approximately 405 classrooms and make observations of the types and quality of classroom activities. Interviews will also be conducted with Head Start program directors and other staff. A follow-up for children in Kindergarten will include child assessments, parent interviews, and teacher questionnaires and child ratings.

The purpose of this data collection is to fulfill the requirements of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993 (Public Law 103-62), and by the 1994 reauthorization of the Head Start program(Head Start Act, as amended, May 18, 1994, Section 649 (d)), which call for periodic assessments of Head Start’s quality and effectiveness.

Respondents: Parents of Head Start Children, Head Start Children, Head Start Teachers, Head Start Program Directors and Staff, and Kindergarten Teachers of former Head Start enrollees.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Annual Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hour per Response	Estimated Annual Burden Hours
Parent Interview	3,185	1.0	0.81	2,564
Child Assessment	3,245	1.0	0.75	2,434
Head Start Teacher Interview	405	1.0	0.50	203
Head Start Teacher Child Rating	405	9.0	0.17	620
Program Director Interview	20	1.0	0.50	10
Center Director Interview	40	1.0	0.50	20
Education Coordinator Interview	20	1.0	0.50	10
Kindergarten Teacher Questionnaire	1,128	1.3	0.50	733
Kindergarten Teacher Child Rating	1,128	1.3	0.17	249

TOTAL ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS: 6,843

Additional Information:

Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L’Enfant Promenade, SW.,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Administration for Children and Families
Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).
OMB No.: 0970–0151.

Description: The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is proposing to collect data for a new round of the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). Featuring a new “Core Plus” Study design, FACES 2014–2018 will provide data on a set of key indicators, including information for performance measures, more rapidly and with greater frequency (Core Studies) and serve as a vehicle for studying more complex issues and topics in greater detail and with increased efficiency (Plus Studies). In fall 2014 and spring 2015, FACES will assess the school readiness skills of 2,400 Head Start children, survey their parents, and ask their Head Start teachers to rate children’s social and emotional skills. In spring 2015 and again in spring 2017, the number of programs in the FACES sample will increase from the 60 that are used to collect data on children’s school readiness outcomes to 180 for the purpose of conducting observations in 720 Head Start classrooms. Program director, center director, and teacher surveys will also be conducted in the spring. Plus features include additional survey content of policy or programmatic interest, which may include more programs being sampled. This notice is specific to the data collection activities needed to recruit Head Start programs and centers into FACES 2014–2018. A future notice will provide information about data collection for the Core and Plus studies.

A total of 230 Head Start programs and 460 Head Start centers will be selected to participate in FACES 2014–2018. The Core Study will include a nationally representative sample of 180 programs, with up to 50 additional programs potentially selected for Plus studies. For the Core, the 60 programs participating in the Core child-level data collection will be contacted and recruited for the study in spring 2014. In fall 2014, the remaining 120 programs will be contacted. All 180 programs will be contacted a second time in fall 2016 to confirm their continued participation in the Core spring 2017 data collection. The 50 Plus study programs would be recruited at a similar time as the Core study programs (i.e., spring 2014 or fall 2014/2016) depending on the nature of the study being conducted.

The method of data collection for recruitment of all programs will include telephone conversations with program directors and on-site coordinators who serve as liaisons between the FACES study team and the Head Start centers. These calls will inform program staff about the purpose of the study and will gather lists of centers in each program in order to compile the center sampling frame.

The purpose of this data collection is to support the 2007 reauthorization of the Head Start program (Pub. L. 110–134), which calls for periodic assessments of Head Start’s quality and effectiveness.

Respondents: Head Start Program Directors and Staff.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hour per Response	Estimated Total Burden Hours	Estimated Annual Burden Hours
Telephone script for program directors	230	2	1	460	153
Telephone script for on-site coordinators	230	2	.75	345	115
Total				1491	497

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Karl Koerper,

OPRE Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Administration for Children and Families
Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES)
OMB No.: 0970–0151

Description: The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is proposing to collect data for a new round of the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). Featuring a new “Core Plus” study design, FACES will provide data on a set of key indicators, including information for performance measures. The design allows for more rapid and frequent data reporting (Core studies) and serves as a vehicle for studying more complex issues and topics in greater detail and with increased efficiency (Plus studies).

In fall 2014 and spring 2015, the FACES Core study will assess the school readiness skills of Head Start children, survey their parents, and ask their Head Start teachers to rate children’s social and emotional skills. In spring 2015 and again in spring 2017, the number of programs in the FACES Core study sample will increase from the 60 that are used to collect data on children’s school readiness outcomes to 180 for the purpose of conducting observations in 720 Head Start classrooms. Program director, center director, and teacher surveys will also be conducted at these time points. FACES Plus studies include additional survey content of policy or programmatic interest, and may involve more programs being sampled. This notice is specific to the data collection activities needed to recruit Head Start programs and centers into FACES. A future notice will provide information about data collection for the Core and Plus studies.

The method of data collection for recruitment of all programs (180 for the FACES Core and up to 50 additional programs for FACES Plus studies) will include telephone conversations with program directors and on-site coordinators who serve as liaisons between the FACES study team and the Head Start centers. These calls will inform program staff about the purpose of the study and will be used to identify the number of centers in each program in order to compile the center sampling frame.

The purpose of this data collection is to support the 2007 reauthorization of the Head Start program (Pub.L. 110–134), which calls for periodic assessments of Head Start’s quality and effectiveness.

Respondents: Head Start Program Directors and Staff.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total Number of Respondents	Annual Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hour per Response	Estimated Annual Burden Hours
Telephone script for program directors	230	77	2	1	154
Telephone script for on-site coordinators	230	77	2	.75	116
Total					270

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Karl Koerper

OPRE Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Administration for Children and Families
Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).
OMB No.: 0970-0151.

Description: The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is proposing to collect data for the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). Featuring a new “Core Plus” study design, FACES will provide data on a set of key indicators, including information for performance measures. This design also allows for more rapid and frequent data reporting (Core study) and serves as a vehicle for studying more complex issues and topics in greater detail and with increased efficiency (Plus studies).

The FACES Core study will assess the school readiness skills of Head Start children, survey their parents, and ask their Head Start teachers to rate children’s social and emotional skills. In addition, FACES will include observations in Head Start classrooms, and program director, center director, and teacher surveys. FACES Plus studies include additional survey content of policy or programmatic interest, and may include additional programs or respondents beyond those participating in the Core FACES study.

Previous notices provided the opportunity for public comment on the proposed Head Start program recruitment and center selection process (FR V.78, pg. 75569 12/12/2013; FR V.79, pg. 8461 02/12/2014). This notice describes the planned data collection activities for the FACES Core study and Plus studies. Direct child assessments, parent surveys, and teacher child reports for the Core study are included in this clearance package. Additionally, we describe instruments to support the Core study at the program and classroom levels and the Plus studies anticipated for future submission. Since these instruments will be informed by initial findings of FACES and emerging policy needs, they cannot be fully specified at this time. However, we describe the respondents and data collection methods, estimated respondent burden, and how the information will be used to the extent possible at this time. Subsequently, when fully developed in a manner consistent with the description provided in this 60-day notice and prior to use, we will submit these materials for a 30-day public comment period under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Methods for Core data collection start with site visits in fall 2014 to 60 Head Start programs to directly assess the school readiness skills of 2,400 children sampled to participate in FACES. Parents of sampled children will complete surveys on the Web or by telephone about their children and family background. Head Start teachers will rate each sampled child (approximately 10 children per classroom) using the Web or paper-and pencil forms. These activities will occur a second time in spring 2015. Additionally, the program sample size will increase to 180 programs in the spring to collect program- and classroom-level data. The methods of data collection for this phase will feature site visitors conducting observations of the types and quality of classroom activities. Head Start program directors, center directors, and teachers will complete surveys about themselves and the services and instruction at Head Start. The program- and classroom-level data collection will occur a second time in spring 2017.

Plus study data collection will parallel the Core design in many ways, including recruitment and data collection procedures, to add new respondents, include new populations, or expand on the

information gathered in the Core study. Additional early care and education administrators or providers (such as Education Coordinators or Family Service Staff) may be sampled. Plus studies may involve data collection in additional programs, such as programs serving different populations or programs implementing specific interventions. Data collection for these Plus studies may include child assessments, parent surveys, teacher child reports, and staff surveys. Plus studies may also feature topical modules to gather information in greater depth on particular topics (for example, parent engagement or program functioning). The methods of data collection will involve new methodologies such as qualitative interviews and supplemental surveys with expanded content.

The purpose of the Core data collection is to support the 2007 reauthorization of the Head Start program (P.L. 110–134), which calls for periodic assessments of Head Start’s quality and effectiveness. Plus data collection will further support understanding Head Start functioning for a broader set of programs or in more depth for particular topics.

Annual Burden Estimates

Respondents: Head Start children, parents of Head Start children, and Head Start teachers, directors, and other early care and education program staff.

Instrument	Total Number of Respondents	Annual Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hour per Response	Estimated Annual Burden Hours
Core Study					
Head Start core child assessment	2,400	800	2	0.75	1,200
Head Start core parent survey	2,400	800	2	0.25	400
Head Start fall parent supplemental survey	2,400	800	1	0.08	64
Head Start spring parent supplemental survey	2,400	800	1	0.08	64
Head Start core teacher child report	240	80	20	0.17	272
Head Start core teacher survey	720	240	2	0.50	240
Head Start core program director survey	180	60	2	0.25	30
Head Start core center director survey	360	120	2	0.25	60
Plus Studies					
Head Start parent qualitative interview	400	133	2	1.00	267
Head Start staff qualitative interview	300	100	2	1.00	200
Head Start child assessment for plus study	1,350	450	2	0.75	675
Head Start parent survey for plus study	1,350	450	2	0.25	225
Head Start parent supplemental survey for plus study	1,350	450	2	0.08	72

Instrument	Total Number of Respondents	Annual Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hour per Response	Estimated Annual Burden Hours
Head Start teacher child report for plus study	150	50	20	0.17	170
Head Start teacher survey for plus study	150	50	2	0.50	50
Head Start program director survey for plus study	50	17	2	0.25	8
Head Start center director survey for plus study	100	33	2	0.25	17
Early care and education administrators plus survey	600	200	2	0.50	200
Early care and education providers plus survey	900	300	2	0.50	300
Total					4,514

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HHS' determination of a State Agency's need to acquire requested ADP equipment or services is authorized at

sections 602(a(5)), 652(a)(1), 1396(a)(4) and 1302 of United States Code.
Respondents: States.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
RFP and Contract	4	1.5	4	24
Emergency Funding Request	5	.1	2	1
Biennial Reports	54	1	1.50	81
Advance Planning Document	34	1.2	120	4,896
Operational Advance Planning Document	20	1	30	600
Independent Verification and Validation (ongoing)	3	4	10	120
Independent Verification and Validation (semiannually)	1	2	16	32
Independent Verification and Validation (quarterly)	1	4	30	120
System Certification	1	1	240	240

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 6,414.

Additional Information:

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Robert Sargis,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).

OMB No.: 0970-0151.

Description: The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is proposing to collect data for a new round of the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). Featuring a new "Core Plus" study design, FACES will provide data on a set of key indicators, including information for performance measures. The design allows for more rapid and frequent data reporting (Core studies) and serves as a vehicle for studying more complex issues and topics in greater detail and with increased efficiency (Plus studies).

The FACES Core study will assess the school readiness skills of Head Start children, survey their parents, and ask their Head Start teachers to rate children's social and emotional skills. In addition, FACES will include observations in Head Start classrooms, and program director, center director, and teacher surveys. FACES Plus studies include additional survey content of policy or programmatic interest, and may include additional programs or respondents beyond those participating in the Core FACES study.

Previous notices provided the opportunity for public comment on the proposed Head Start program recruitment and center selection process (FR V.78, pg. 75569 12/12/2013; FR V.79, pg. 8461 02/12/2014) and the data collection (FR V. 79, pg. 11445 02/28/2014). This 30-day notice describes the first set of planned data collection activities for the FACES Core study. Classroom and child sampling information collection, direct child assessments, parent surveys, and

teacher child reports for the Core study are included in this clearance package.

Methods for Core data collection start with site visits to 120 centers in 60 Head Start programs to sample classrooms and children for participation in the study. Field enrollment specialists (FES) will request a list of all Head Start-funded classrooms from Head Start staff and will ask for the teacher's first and last names, the session type (morning, afternoon, full day, or home visitor), and the number of Head Start children enrolled. Then for each selected classroom the FES will request the names and dates of birth of each child enrolled. Approximately two weeks later, assessors will go to the 60 Head Start programs to directly assess the school readiness skills of 2,400 children sampled to participate in FACES. Parents of sampled children will complete surveys on the Web or by telephone about their children, activities they engage in, and family background. Head Start teachers will rate each sampled child's social and emotional skills (approximately 10 children per classroom) using the Web or paper-and-pencil forms.

The purpose of the Core data collection is to support the 2007 reauthorization of the Head Start program (Pub. L. 110-134), which calls for periodic assessments of Head Start's quality and effectiveness. As additional information collection activities are fully developed, in a manner consistent with the description provided in the 60-day notice (79 FR 11445) and prior to use, we will submit these materials for a 30-day public comment period under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Respondents: Head Start children, parents of Head Start children, Head Start teachers and Head Start staff.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Annual number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hour per response	Estimated annual burden hours
Classroom sampling form from Head Start staff	120	40	1	0.17	7
Child roster form from Head Start staff	120	40	1	0.33	13
Head Start core parent consent form	2,400	800	1	0.17	136
Head Start core child assessment	2,400	800	2	0.75	1,200
Head Start core parent survey	2,400	800	2	0.33	528
Head Start fall parent supplemental survey	2,400	800	1	0.08	64
Head Start core teacher child report	240	80	20	0.17	272
Total					2,220

Additional Information: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. Email address: OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

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Karl Koerper,

OPRE Reports Clearance, Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Title: Head Start Impact Study Participants Beyond 8th Grade.
OMB No.: 0970-0229.

Description: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) will collect follow-up information from children and families in the Head Start Impact Study. In anticipation of conducting a future follow-up for the study, ACF will collect information necessary to identify respondent's current location and follow-up with respondents in the future.

The Head Start Impact Study is a longitudinal study involving 4,667 first-time enrolled three- and four-year-old preschool children across 84 nationally representative grantee/delegate agencies (in communities where there were more eligible children and families than can be served by the program). Participants were randomly assigned to either a Head Start group (that could enroll in Head Start services) or a control group

(that could not enroll in Head Start services but could enroll in other available services selected by their parents). Data collection for the study began in fall of 2002 and continued through late spring 2008 to include the participants' 3rd grade year. Location and contact information for participants has been collected every spring beginning in 2009 and continued through spring 2014.

ACF will continue to collect a small amount of information for the sample through the spring of the participant's 12th grade year. To maintain adequate sample size, telephone interviews (with in-person follow-up as necessary) will be conducted in order to update the children's status and their location and contact information. This information will be collected from parents or guardians in the spring of 2015 and 2016. Updates will take about 20 minutes to complete.

Respondents: The original sample of 4,667 treatment and control group members in the Head Start Impact Study, less 432 families that have given a "hard" refusal to participate in the study (e.g., adamantly refused to participate or threatened interviewers if they were contacted again). The number of respondents for this requested data collection is 4,235.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Annual burden hours
Parent Tracking Interview	4235	1	1/3	1412

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1412.

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the

information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade SW., Washington, DC 20447,

Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. Email address: OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary

ACTION: Notice of request for comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Regulatory Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a previously approved information collection requirement and the reinstatement of GSA Form 1142, Release of Claims, regarding final payment under construction and building services contract. GSA Form 1142 was inadvertently deleted as part of the rewrite of GSAR regulations on Contract Financing. GSA Contracting Officers have used this form to achieve uniformity and consistency in the release of claims process. A notice published in the **Federal Register** at 80 FR 10648 on February 27, 2015. No comments were received.

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Dated: May 20, 2015.

Jeffrey A. Koses,

Director, Office of Acquisition Policy, Office of Government-wide Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).

OMB No.: 0970-0151.

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Karl Koerper,

OPRE Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Correction

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects: Native Employment Works (NEW) Program

Plan Guidance and Native Employment Works (NEW) Program Report.

Title: Native Employment Works (NEW) Program Plan Guidance and Report Requirements.

OMB No.: 0970–0174.

Description: The Native Employment Works (NEW) program plan is the application for NEW program funding. As approved by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), it documents how the grantee will carry out its NEW program. The NEW program plan guidance provides instructions for preparing a NEW program plan and explains the process for plan submission every third year. There are two versions of this plan guidance: One for tribes that include their NEW program in a Public Law 102–477 project, and one for tribes that do not. The primary difference between the guidance documents is in the instructions for how to submit the plan. The NEW program report provides information on the activities and accomplishments of grantees' NEW programs. The NEW program report and instructions specify the program data that NEW grantees report annually.

Respondents: Federally recognized Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations that are NEW program grantees.

Darius Taylor,

Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Findings of Misconduct in Science

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) has taken final action in the following case:

Kaushik Deb, Ph.D., University of Missouri-Columbia: Based upon the evidence and findings of an investigation report by the University of Missouri-Columbia (UM) transmitted to the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Research Integrity (ORI) and additional analysis conducted by ORI in its oversight review, ORI found that Dr. Kaushik Deb, former Postdoctoral Fellow, Life Sciences Center, UM, engaged in misconduct in science in research that was supported by National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), National Institutes of Health (NIH), grants 2 R01 HD021896 and 5 R01 HD042201-05 and National Center for Research Resources (NCRR), NIH, grant 5 R01 RR013438-07. ORI found that the Respondent intentionally, knowingly, and recklessly fabricated and falsified data reported in the following published paper:

- Deb, K., Sivarguru, M., Yong, H., & Roberts, R.M. "Cdx2 gene expression and trophoblast lineage specification in mouse embryos." *Science* 311:992-996, 2006 (hereafter referred to as "Science 311"); this paper was retracted on July 27, 2007

An earlier version of *Science* 311 had been previously submitted to *Nature* on or about June 24, 2005 (hereafter referred to as "Nature #1"). It was revised and resubmitted to *Nature* on or about August 24, 2005, and ultimately was rejected by *Nature* on September 14, 2005 (hereafter referred to as "Nature #2").

Specifically, ORI finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the Respondent engaged in misconduct in science by intentionally, knowingly, and recklessly:

1. Falsifying and/or fabricating three panels of data in Figure 1 (Figures 1C, 1D, and 1E) in *Science* 311 and in

Nature #1 and *Nature* #2, by photo-manipulating confocal fluorescent images to falsely represent three-, four-, and six-cell embryos, thereby supporting the paper's central premise that cells derived from a late-dividing blastomere would be positive for a transcription factor, Cdx2, while the cells derived from a leading blastomere would be Cdx2 negative

2. using photo-manipulation to falsify and fabricate at least 13 panels of confocal image data in Figures 2, 3, and S2, including Figures 2K, 2L, 2Q, 2R, 2V, 2X, 3G, 3H, 3I, S2s, S2t, S2u, and 2W, in *Science* 311 and in corresponding figures in *Nature* #1 and *Nature* #2 so that these images falsely supported the central premise in *Science* 311 that Cdx2-expressing cells were peripherally located in the embryo

3. falsifying Figures 2G, 3J, 3L, S2V, S2X, S6I, S6J, and S6K in *Science* 311, Figures 2A, 2C, S4v, and S4x in *Nature* #1, and Figures 2G, 3I, 3J, and 3K in *Nature* #2 by reusing and re-labelling the same image to represent different embryos and different experimental conditions

4. falsifying Figure 4 in *Science* 311 and corresponding figures submitted in *Nature* #1 and *Nature* #2 to falsely illustrate that the first dividing cell of a two-cell mouse embryo will ultimately differentiate into the trophoblast; specifically, Respondent:

- Falsely colored and photomanipulated a single bright-phase image of a three-cell embryo to make it appear as four separate embryos that had been differentially injected with TRD

- falsely colored and photomanipulated a four-cell embryo to make TRD appear distinctly located in the lagging cell and in its descendent cell, when the actual embryo contained diffuse staining within the sub-zonal, extracellular space

- photomanipulated a damaged, non-viable two-cell embryo to make it appear viable

- re-used, falsely colored, and relabeled seven images from an unrelated experiment to falsely represent a time lapse course of eight different images

5. falsifying Figures 5K, 5L, 5N, and 5O in *Science* 311 by photo-manipulating a single confocal image to falsely represent four different images at two different stages of embryonic development. The images also were presented as Figures 4k, 4l, 4n, and 4o in *Nature* #1.

The Respondent failed to take responsibility for the fabrication and falsification described in ORI's findings.

The following administrative actions have been implemented for a period of three (3) years, beginning on November 17, 2014:

- (1) Respondent is debarred from any contracting or subcontracting with any agency of the United States Government and from eligibility for, or involvement in, nonprocurement programs of the United States Government referred to as "covered transactions" pursuant to HHS' Implementation (2 CFR part 376 *et seq*) of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension, 2 CFR part 180 (collectively the "Debarment Regulations"); and

- (2) Respondent is prohibited from serving in any advisory capacity to PHS including, but not limited to, service on any PHS advisory committee, board, and/or peer review committee, or as a consultant.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Acting Director, Office of Research Integrity, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 750, Rockville, MD 20852, (240) 453-8800.

Donald Wright,

Acting Director, Office of Research Integrity.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).

OMB No.: 0970-0151.

Description: The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is proposing to collect data for a new round of the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). Featuring a new "Core Plus" study design, FACES will provide data on a set of key indicators, including information for performance measures. The design allows for more rapid and frequent data reporting (Core studies) and serves as a vehicle for studying more complex issues and topics in greater detail and with increased efficiency (Plus studies).

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interviews are included for FACES Plus studies.

Methods for Core data collection involve returning to 60 programs visited in fall 2014, where we will conduct previously approved activities of child assessments, parent surveys, and Teacher Child Reports. An additional 240 Head Start centers in 120 Head Start programs will be visited to sample classrooms. Field enrollment specialists (FES) will request a list of all Head Start-funded classrooms from Head Start staff. Across all 180 programs, 720 teachers, 180 program directors, and 360 center directors will complete surveys about the Head Start classroom or program and their own background using the Web or paper-and-pencil forms.

Two Plus studies are also planned in spring 2015. First, a topical module on family engagement will be conducted in the 60 programs participating in child-level data collection. All parents will complete a 5-minute spring supplement to the parent survey about parent-staff relationship and communication and community support. All teachers will complete a 5-minute Plus survey about parent-staff relationships (FPTRQ) as

part of the core teacher survey. A subsample of Head Start parents (n=360) and Family Service Staff (n=180) will be interviewed on parent involvement in Head Start and program outreach and engagement practices. Interviews will take about one-hour and will be conducted by phone using paper-and-pencil guides. Second, within the 120 programs participating in classroom-only-level data collection, 480 classroom teachers will complete a new measure of program functioning (5E-Early Ed) to examine its reliability and validity for future FACES use.

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Respondents: Parents of Head Start children, Head Start teachers and Head Start staff.

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Head Start spring parent supplement survey	2,400	800	1	0.08	64
Head Start core teacher survey	720	240	1	0.50	120
Head Start core program director survey	180	60	1	0.50	30
Head Start core center director survey	360	120	1	0.42	50
Head Start parent qualitative interview (Family Engagement)	360	120	1	1.00	120
Head Start staff qualitative interview (FSS Engagement) ...	180	60	1	1.00	60
Head Start staff (FSS) roster form	60	20	1	0.17	3
Head Start parent engagement interview consent form	360	120	1	0.17	20
Head Start staff engagement interview consent form	180	60	1	0.17	10
Early care and education providers survey for Plus study (5E-Early Ed Pilot)	480	160	1	0.33	53
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Total					556

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Desk Officer for the Administration for Children and Families.

Naomi Goldstein,
Director, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation; Administration for Children and Families.

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Karl Koerper,

OPRE Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

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Title: Native Employment Works (NEW) Program Plan Guidance and Report Requirements.

OMB No.: 0970–0174.

Description: The Native Employment Works (NEW) program plan is the application for NEW program funding. As approved by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), it documents how the grantee will carry out its NEW program. The NEW program plan guidance provides instructions for preparing a NEW program plan and explains the process for plan submission every third year. There are two versions of this plan guidance: One for tribes that include their NEW program in a Public Law 102–477 project, and one for tribes that do not. The primary difference between the guidance documents is in the instructions for how to submit the plan. The NEW program report provides information on the activities and accomplishments of grantees' NEW programs. The NEW program report and instructions specify the program data that NEW grantees report annually.

Respondents: Federally recognized Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations that are NEW program grantees.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).

OMB No.: 0970-0151.

Description: The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is proposing to collect data for a new round of the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). Featuring a new “Core Plus” study design, FACES will provide data on a set of key indicators, including information for performance measures. The design allows for more rapid and frequent data reporting (Core studies) and serves as a vehicle for studying more complex issues and topics in greater detail and with increased efficiency (Plus studies).

The FACES Core study will assess the school readiness skills of Head Start children, survey their parents, and ask their Head Start teachers to rate children’s social and emotional skills. In addition, FACES will include observations in Head Start classrooms, and program director, center director, and teacher surveys. FACES Plus studies include additional survey content of policy or programmatic interest, and may include additional programs or respondents beyond those participating in the Core FACES study.

Previous notices provided the opportunity for public comment on the proposed Head Start program recruitment and center selection process (FR V.78, pg. 75569 12/12/2013; FR V.79, pg. 8461 02/12/2014), the child-level data collection in fall 2014 and spring 2015 (FR V. 79, pg. 11445 02/28/2014; FR V. 79; pg. 27620 5/14/2014), the program- and classroom-level spring 2015 data collection activities (FR v.79; pg. 73077 12/09/2014), and the American Indian and Alaska Native Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (AI/AN FACES) child-level data collection activities in fall 2015 and spring 2016 (FR V. 80, pg. 30250 08/07/2015). This 30-day notice describes the planned additional data collection activities for AI/AN FACES in

spring 2016, including surveys with parents, teachers, program directors, and center directors.

AI/AN FACES spring 2016 data collection includes site visits to 37 centers in 22 Head Start programs. As in fall 2015, parents of sampled children will complete surveys on the Web or by telephone (or in person if needed) about their children, activities family members engage in with their children, and family and household background characteristics. Head Start teachers, program directors, and center directors will complete surveys about the Head Start classroom or program and their own background using the Web or paper-and-pencil forms.

The purpose of the Core data collection is to support the 2007 reauthorization of the Head Start program (Pub. L. 110-134), which calls for periodic assessments of Head Start’s quality and effectiveness. As additional information collection activities are fully developed, in a manner consistent with the description provided in the 60-day notice (79 FR 11445) and prior to use, we will submit these materials for a 30-day public comment period under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Respondents: Parents of Head Start children, Head Start teachers and Head Start staff.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES—CURRENT INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Annual number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hour per response	Estimated annual burden hours
Head Start core parent survey for plus study (AI/AN FACES Spring 2016)	800	267	1	0.50	134
Head Start core teacher survey for plus study (AI/AN FACES)	80	27	1	0.58	16
Head Start program director core survey for plus study (AI/AN FACES)	22	7	1	0.33	2
Head Start center director core survey for plus study (AI/AN FACES)	37	12	1	0.33	4
Total					156

Additional Information: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L’Enfant Promenade SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. Email address: OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

OMB Comment: OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**.

Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Fax: [OIRA SUBMISSION@OMB.EOP.GOV](mailto:OIRA.SUBMISSION@OMB.EOP.GOV), Attn: Desk Officer for the Administration for Children and Families.

Robert Sargis,
ACF Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: State Self-Assessment Review and Report.

OMB No.: 0970-0223.

Description: Section 454(15)(A) of the Social Security Act, as amended by the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, requires each State to annually assess

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 Office of Scientific Integrity, Office of the
 Associate Director for Science, Office of the
 Director, Centers for Disease Control and
 Prevention.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[CDC–2016–0090; Docket Number NIOSH 288–A]

A Performance Test Protocol for Closed System Transfer Devices Used During Pharmacy Compounding and Administration of Hazardous Drugs; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice and extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On September 15, 2016 the Director of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), published a notice in the **Federal Register** [81 FR 63482] announcing a public meeting and request for public comment on a draft testing protocol. Written comments were to be received by December 7, 2016. In response to a request from interested parties, NIOSH has extended the comment period until June 7, 2017. The longer timeframe will allow companies to acquire the proposed challenge agents and test their CSTDs with the proposed universal CSTD performance test protocol.

DATES: NIOSH is extending the comment period on the document published September 15, 2016 [81 FR 63482]. Electronic or written comments must be received by June 7, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah V. Hirst, NIOSH, Alice Hamilton Laboratories, 1090 Tusculum Avenue, MS–R–5, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226, telephone (513) 841–4141 (not a toll free number), Email: DHirst@cdc.gov.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by CDC–2016–0090 and Docket Number NIOSH 288–A, by either of the following two methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- **Mail:** National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, NIOSH Docket Office, 1090 Tusculum Avenue, MS C–34, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226–1998.

Dated: December 5, 2016.

Frank Hearl,
Chief of Staff, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).

OMB No.: 0970–0151.

Description: The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is proposing to collect data for a new round of the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). Featuring a new “Core Plus” study design, FACES will provide data on a set of key indicators, including information for performance measures. The design allows for more rapid and frequent data reporting (Core studies) and serves as a vehicle for studying more complex issues and topics in greater detail and with increased efficiency (Plus studies).

The FACES Core study will assess the school readiness skills of Head Start children, survey their parents, and ask their Head Start teachers to rate children’s social and emotional skills.

In addition, FACES will include observations in Head Start classrooms, and program director, center director, and teacher surveys. FACES Plus studies include additional survey content of policy or programmatic interest, and may include additional

programs or respondents beyond those participating in the Core FACES study.

Previous notices provided the opportunity for public comment on the proposed Head Start program recruitment and center selection process (FR V.78, pg.75569 12/12/2013; FR V.79, pg.8461 02/12/2014), the child-level data collection in fall 2014 and spring 2015 (FR V. 79, pg. 11445 02/28/2014; FR V. 79; pg. 27620 5/14/2014), the program- and classroom-level spring 2015 data collection activities (FR v.79; pg. 73077 12/09/2014), the American Indian and Alaska Native Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (AI/AN FACES) child-level data collection activities in fall 2015 and spring 2016 (FR V. 80, pg. 30250 08/07/2015) and AI/AN FACES program- and classroom-level spring 2016 data collection activities (FR V. 80, pg 70231 11/13/2015).

This 30-day notice describes the planned additional data collection activities for FACES program- and classroom-level data collection in spring 2017. Spring 2017 data collection includes site visits to 360 centers in 180 Head Start programs. As in spring 2015, for the Core study teachers, program directors, and center directors will each complete surveys, approximately 25 to 30 minutes in length. Two Plus studies are planned related to program functioning for spring 2017. First, program and center directors in all 180 programs (and 360 centers) will complete a 5-minute survey on how programs are planning for implementing the new Head Start program performance standards. Second, all 720 teachers will complete a survey on program functioning, initially piloted in spring 2015.

The purpose of the Core data collection is to support the 2007 reauthorization of the Head Start program (Pub. L. 110–134), which calls for periodic assessments of Head Start’s quality and effectiveness. As additional information collection activities are fully developed, in a manner consistent with the description provided in the 60-day notice (79 FR 11445) and prior to use, we will submit these materials for a 30-day public comment period under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Respondents: Head Start teachers and Head Start directors.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES—CURRENT INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Annual number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hour per response	Estimated annual burden hours
Classroom sampling form from Head Start staff	360	120	1	0.17	20
Head Start core teacher survey	720	240	1	0.50	120
Head Start core program director survey	180	60	1	0.50	30
Head Start core center director survey	360	120	1	0.42	50
Early care and education administrators survey for Plus study (Head Start Program Performance Standards)	540	180	1	0.08	14
Early care and education providers survey for Plus study (5E—Early Ed)	720	240	1	0.17	41
Total					275

Additional Information: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 330 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20201, Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. Email address: OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

OMB Comment: OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Fax: [OIRA SUBMISSION@OMB.EOP.GOV](mailto:OIRA_SUBMISSION@OMB.EOP.GOV), Attn: Desk Officer for the Administration for Children and Families.

Mary Jones,

ACF/OPRE Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Requested

Title: RPG National Cross-Site Evaluation and Evaluation Technical Assistance.

OMB No.: 0970-0444.

Description: The Children’s Bureau within the Administration for Children and Families of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services seeks a renewal of clearance to collect

information for the Regional Partnership Grants to Increase the Well-being of and to Improve Permanency Outcomes for Children Affected by Substance Abuse Cross-Site Evaluation and Evaluation-Related Technical Assistance and Data Collection Support for Regional Partnership Grant Program Round Three Sites or “RPG” projects. Under RPG, the Children’s Bureau has issued 21 grants to organizations such as child welfare or substance abuse treatment providers or family court systems to develop interagency collaborations and integration of programs, activities, and services designed to increase well-being, improve permanency, and enhance the safety of children who are in an out-of-home placement or are at risk of being placed in out-of-home care as a result of a parent’s or caretaker’s substance use dependence. The Child and Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act (Pub. L. 112-34) includes a targeted grants program (section 437(f) of the Social Security Act) that directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to reserve a specified portion of the appropriation for these Regional Partnership Grants, to be used to improve the well-being of children affected by substance abuse. The overall objective of the Cross-Site Evaluation and Technical Assistance projects (the RPG Cross-Site Evaluation) is to plan, develop, and implement a rigorous national cross-site evaluation of the RPG Grant Program, provide legislatively-mandated performance measurement, furnish evaluation-related technical assistance to the grantees in order to improve the quality and rigor of their local evaluations, and support their participation in the cross-site evaluation. The project will evaluate the programs and activities conducted through the RPG Program. The evaluation is being undertaken by the Children’s Bureau and its contractor Mathematica Policy Research. The evaluation is being implemented by

Mathematica Policy Research and its subcontractors, WRMA, Inc., and Synergy Enterprises.

The RPG Cross-Site Evaluation includes the following components:

1. *Implementation and Partnership Study.* The RPG cross-site implementation and partnership study will contribute to building the knowledge base about effective implementation strategies by examining the process of implementation in the 21 RPG projects, with a focus on factors shown in the research literature to be associated with quality implementation of evidence-based programs. This component of the study describes the RPG projects’ target populations, selected interventions and their fit with the target populations, inputs to implementation, and actual services provided (including dosage, duration, content, adherence to curricula, and participant responsiveness). It examines the key attributes of the regional partnerships that grantees develop (for example, partnerships among child welfare and substance abuse treatment providers, social services, and family courts). It describes the characteristics and roles of the partner organizations, the extent of coordination and collaboration, and their potential to sustain the partnerships after the grant ends. Key data collection activities of the implementation and partnership study are: (1) Conducting site visits during which researchers interview RPG program directors, managers, supervisors, and frontline staff who work directly with families; (2) administering a survey to frontline staff involved in providing direct services to children, adults, and families; (3) asking grantees to provide information about implementation and their partnerships as part of their federally required semi-annual progress reports; (4) obtaining service use data from grantees, enrollment date and demographics of enrollees, exit date and reason, and

document procedures as well as challenges faced and lessons learned to inform the field of practice as well as policy makers, program administrators, and funders at various levels.

The proposed information collection activities consist of semi-structured interviews and surveys conducted at 28

child welfare agency sites. Focus groups conducted at 8 of the 28 sites will gather information on needs, challenges, and strategies to support children with prenatal substance exposures and their families within the child welfare system.

Respondents: State and child welfare agency directors, child welfare staff and supervisors; agency partners and service providers; and family members and caregivers of children who may have been prenatally exposed to substances.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Interview Protocol for Local Agency Staff—Frontline Only	28	1	1	28
Interview Protocol for Local Agency Staff—Ongoing Only	28	1	1	28
Interview Protocol for Local Agency Staff—Frontline and Ongoing	15	1	1.25	19
Interview Protocol for Local Agency Medical Staff	14	1	1	14
Interview Protocol for Local Agency Director	14	1	1	14
Focus Group of Caregivers	32	1	1.5	48
Survey Instrument for Local Agency Staff—Form A General	140	1	.5	70
Survey Instrument for Local Agency—Form B General	90	1	.5	45
Survey Instrument for Local Agency Form B Differential Response	50	1	.5	25
Survey Instrument for Service Providers	12	1	.5	6
Interview Protocol for Data Staff	6	1	1.5	9
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours				305

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, 330 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20201, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. Email address: infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments 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 practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) 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 automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to

comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Mary Jones,

ACF/OPRE Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Title: Head Start Child and Family Experiences Survey (FACES).

OMB No.: 0970-0151.

Description: The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is proposing to collect data for a new round of the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). Featuring a “Modified Core Plus” Study design, FACES 2019 will provide data on a set of key indicators in Head Start Regions I–XI. While data collection for FACES 2019 will occur in Regions I–XI, there is a slightly different sample design and recruitment strategy for Regions I–X and Region XI (whose grants are awarded to tribal governments or consortiums of tribes). In fall 2019 and spring 2020, FACES will assess the school readiness skills of 2,400 Head Start children in Regions I–

X and 800 children in Region XI, survey their parents, and ask their Head Start teachers to rate children's social and emotional skills. This sample will be drawn from 60 programs in Regions I–X and 22 programs in Region XI. In spring 2020 classroom observations of sampled programs will occur. In Regions I–X, the number of programs will increase from the 60 that are used to collect data on children's school readiness outcomes to 180 for the purpose of conducting observations in 720 Head Start classrooms. In Region XI, the program sample will remain at 22, and approximately 80 Head Start classroom observations will take place. Program director, center director, and teacher surveys will also be conducted in spring 2020 in Regions I–XI. In spring 2022, program level data collection will be repeated in Regions I–X only. If any plus studies are conducted, they will be conducted within the Core sample.

This notice is specific to the data collection activities needed to recruit Head Start programs and centers into FACES 2019. A future notice will provide information about data collection for the study. A nationally representative sample of Head Start programs and centers from Regions I–X and a representative sample of Head Start programs and centers from Region XI will be selected to participate in FACES 2019. From Regions I–X, the programs participating in the Core child-level data collection will be contacted and recruited for the study in spring 2019. In fall 2019, the remaining

programs participating in classroom-level data collection will be contacted. All programs will be contacted a second time in fall 2021 to confirm their continued participation in the Core spring 2022 data collection. The programs from Region XI would be recruited a year earlier (*i.e.*, spring 2018) given the increased amount of time to recruit programs in tribal communities and to obtain tribal council and/or tribal leadership approval.

The method of data collection for recruitment of all programs will include telephone conversations with program directors and on-site coordinators who serve as liaisons between the FACES study team and the Head Start centers. In Region XI, an additional recruitment telephone call with tribal leadership/tribal council will be required. All of these calls will inform program staff about the purpose of the study and will gather lists of centers in each program

in order to compile the center sampling frame. The purpose of this data collection is to support the 2007 reauthorization of the Head Start program (Pub. L.110–134), which calls for periodic assessments of Head Start’s quality and effectiveness.

Respondents: Head Start Program Directors and Staff, as well as tribal leadership.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Annual number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Annual burden hours
Telephone script and recruitment information collection for program directors, Regions I–X	230	77	3	1	231
Telephone script and recruitment information collection for program directors, Region XI	30	10	2	1	20
Telephone script and recruitment information collection for on-site coordinators, Regions I–X	230	77	3	.75	173
Telephone script and recruitment information collection for on-site coordinators, Regions XI	30	10	2	.75	15

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 439.

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, 330 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20201, Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. Email address: OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments 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 practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) 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 automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to

comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Mary Jones,
ACF/OPRE Certifying Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Title: Pre-testing of Evaluation Data Collection Activities.
OMB No.: 0970–0355.
Description: The Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE), in the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) intends to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to renew a generic clearance to pre-test data collection instruments with more than nine participants to identify and resolve any question or procedural problems in survey administration.

OPRE studies ACF programs, and the populations they serve, through rigorous research and evaluation projects. These include evaluations of existing programs, evaluations of innovative approaches to helping low-income children and families, research syntheses and descriptive and exploratory studies. To improve the

development of its research and evaluation surveys, OPRE uses the pre-testing of evaluation surveys generic clearance to employ a variety of techniques including cognitive and usability laboratory and field techniques, behavior coding, exploratory interviews, respondent debriefing questionnaires, split sample experiments, focus groups, and pilot studies/pre-tests. These activities allow OPRE to identify if and when a survey may be simplified for respondents, respondent burden may be reduced, and other possible improvements.

Following standard OMB requirements, OPRE will submit a change request for each individual data collection activity under this generic clearance. Each request will include the individual instrument(s), a justification specific to the individual information collection, and any supplementary documents. OMB should review within 10 days of receiving each change request.

The information collected in this effort will not be the primary subject of any published ACF reports; however, information may be made public through methodological appendices or footnotes, reports on instrument development, instrument user guides, descriptions of respondent behavior, and other publications or presentations describing findings of methodological interest. When necessary, results will be labeled as exploratory in nature. The results of this pre-testing research may be prepared for presentation at