

**Draft Supporting Statement B for the Revision of  
Office of Adolescent Health  
Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF) Performance Measures  
Collection, FY2018 cohort**

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## INTRODUCTION

This is a request for a revision of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of annual collection of performance data from Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF) grantees (0990-0460). PAF is a competitive grant program authorized by the Affordable Care Act (ACA) (Public Law 111-148) and administered by the Office of Adolescent Health (OAH). The Act appropriates \$25 million for each of fiscal years 2010 through 2019. A new cohort of grants has been awarded in July 2018, and additional measures are requested to be added to the measures approved under OMB 0990-0460.

PAF grants are awarded to States and Tribes so that they may provide expectant and parenting teens, women, and fathers, and their families, with a seamless network of supportive services to help them complete high school or postsecondary degrees and gain access to health care, child care, family housing, and other critical supports. PAF grantees may use funds to carry out activities to (1) Support expectant and parenting students at institutions of higher education (IHE); (2) Support expectant and parenting teens and young adults at high schools and community service centers; (3) Improve services for pregnant women who are victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and (4) Increase public awareness and education efforts about services available to expectant and parenting teens and women.

In September 2010, OAH awarded the first 3-year PAF grants to 17 entities (cohort 1). Each grantee in the first PAF cohort was required to identify performance measures for their project and report data in their Progress Reports. Thus, during cohort 1, OAH did not collect uniform performance data from its PAF grantees, limiting OAH's ability to report on the performance of the grant program as a whole. Based on the experience from the first PAF cohort, OAH developed a uniform set of performance measures and required all PAF grantees in the second cohort to collect and report data annually to OAH using an online database (OMB #0990-0416). In August 2013, OAH awarded 4-year grants to the second cohort of 17 state agencies and tribal entities. In August 2015, OAH awarded 3 year grants to 3 states.

The newest PAF Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), released in the winter 2017. OAH awarded \$21.3 million to 23 State and Tribes for a 2-year period of performance, with a start date of July 1, 2018. The request for revision of the new cohort's measures will update items and burden.

## **B1. Respondent Universe and Sampling Methods**

All 23 Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF) grantees will be reporting data. There will not be sampling of grantees.

## **B2. Procedures for the Collection of Information**

Grantees either directly enter data into answer fields on the website or upload a spreadsheet that gets processed by the programming team.

## **B3. Methods to Maximize Response Rates and Deal with Non-response**

Because completion of performance measures is a funding requirement for these grants, we have had nearly a 100% grantee response rate. This requirement was stipulated in the FY 2018 Funding Opportunity Announcement. In addition, all funded grantees will be trained and given technical assistance in the web based data collection procedures to facilitate their reporting.

To maximize response rates, OAH will send out periodic email reminders to grantees who have not reported data as the data collection period approaches and follow-up communications to grantees who are later reporting their data.

## **B4. Tests of Procedures or Methods to be Undertaken**

Several measures included in the package were been reported successfully over the past three years by the second cohort of PAF grantees as part of the cohort 2 performance measures Data Collection (OMB # 0990-0416).

## **B5. Individuals Consulted on Statistical Aspects and Individuals Collecting and/or Analyzing Data**

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