

Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance for the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback” (OMB#: 0925-0648 Exp., date: 05/2021)

TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION: NINR Office of the Training Director Surveys for Current and Former Trainees and Fellows

PURPOSE: The NINR Office of the Training Director oversees programming that supports career development, training and fellowship of intramural trainees who are college graduates, graduate students, and postdoctoral fellows. These surveys will be used for program assessments and will serve as a component of a comprehensive review of the Office of the Training Director.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS:

Responses are voluntary, anonymous, and secure to the extent permitted by law. Data will be analyzed only in aggregate. Respondents will be NINR Intramural Research and Training Award Fellows (postbaccalaureate, graduate students, postdoctoral) and Research Fellows.

TYPE OF COLLECTION: (Check one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Customer Comment Card/Complaint Form | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Customer Satisfaction Survey |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Usability Testing (e.g., Website or Software) | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Discussion Group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Focus Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:_____ |

CERTIFICATION:

I certify the following to be true:

1. The collection is voluntary.
2. The collection is low-burden for respondents and low-cost for the Federal Government.
3. The collection is non-controversial and does not raise issues of concern to other federal agencies.
4. The results are not intended to be disseminated to the public
5. Information gathered will not be used for the purpose of substantially informing influential policy decisions.
6. The collection is targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the future.

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To assist review, please provide answers to the following question:

Personally Identifiable Information:

1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected? Yes No
2. If Yes, is the information that will be collected included in records that are subject to the Privacy Act of 1974? Yes No

If Applicable, has a System or Records Notice been published? Yes No

Gifts or Payments:

Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants? Yes No

ESTIMATED BURDEN HOURS and COSTS ANNUALLY

| Type of Respondent | Estimated Number of Respondents | Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent | Average Time / Response (hours) | Total Annual Burden Hours |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Viewpoint survey for current trainees | 30 | 1 | 15/60 | 8 |
| Exit survey for off-boarding trainees | 20 | 1 | 15/60 | 5 |
| Totals | 50 | 50 | | 13 |

COST TO RESPONDENT

| Type of Respondent | Total Annual Burden Hours | Hourly Respondent Wage Rate* | Burden Cost (\$) |
|--------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| NINR Trainees | 13 | 24.72 | \$321 |
| Totals | 13 | | \$321 |

* Hourly wage rates for trainees are based on the 2020 NIH IRTA Trainee Stipends (https://www.training.nih.gov/predocctoral_irta_stipend_levels)

FEDERAL COST: The estimated annual cost to the Federal government is \$4,851

| Staff | Grade/Step | Salary* | % of Effort | Fringe (if applicable) | Total Cost to Gov't |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Federal Oversight | | | | | |
| Director | GS13/S07 | \$112,930 | 1% | | \$1,129 |
| Program Analyst | GS11/S02 | \$74,431 | 5% | | \$3,722 |
| Contractor Cost | | | | | |
| Travel | | | | | |
| Other Cost | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | \$4,851 |

*the Salary in table above is cited from <https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/salaries-wages/salary-tables/20Tables/html/DCB.aspx>

If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:

The selection of your targeted respondents

1. Do you have a customer list or something similar that defines the universe of potential respondents and do you have a sampling plan for selecting from this universe?

[X] Yes [] No

If the answer is yes, please provide a description of both below (or attach the sampling plan)? If the answer is no, please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them?

The NINR Office of the Training Director maintains a list of current trainees within the intramural training program and updates the list with information from administrative staff as students on- and off-board. These trainees will be asked to complete the online survey through SurveyMonkey, a web-based survey tool that will reduce burden.

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Administration of the Instrument

1. How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)
 - Web-based or other forms of Social Media
 - Telephone
 - In-person
 - Mail
 - Other
2. Will interviewers or facilitators be used? Yes No

Please make sure that all instruments, instructions, and scripts are submitted with the request.