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Information Collection Request - Privacy Narrative

Title: **Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) Program Reporting System**

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Description

National ART Surveillance System (NASS) is Congressionally mandated Public Health Surveillance System designed to collect data on all assisted reproductive technology (ART) treatments from all U.S. fertility clinics and report standardized ART success rates for each clinic annually (www.cdc.gov/art/nass). The data reported by clinics to CDC include patient demographics, obstetrical and medical history, parental infertility diagnosis, detailed parameters of the ART procedure, and information regarding resultant pregnancies and births. PII that may be collected for women or infants includes cycle identification number, patient identification number, patient date of birth, infant date of birth, and patient place of residence. Clinic key personnel are identified. A full list of NASS data elements are available in the National Summary and Clinic Dataset located at https://www.cdc.gov/art/artdata/index.html

NASS data are collected from fertility clinics with the help of a contracting company (Westat, Inc.) and are maintained at the Division of Reproductive Health (DRH). Administrator controls in place include regular backups, security training, completion of a security certification and accreditation (C&A), security plans, and policies. Access to NASS and the ART information collected is limited to contractor staff supporting the ART project and CDC staff conducting data analyses. The contractor and CDC staff follow federal security requirements and adhere to all CDC security policies and regulations. Requirements for adherence to privacy provisions and policies, as well as instructions for destruction of ART data and files when the contract ends, are specified in the contract language. CDC plans to maintain the data, including identifiers, indefinitely. NASS data are protected by an Assurance of Confidentiality under Section 308(d) of the Public Health Act and are only accessible to signatories of the Assurance of Confidentiality. No consent is obtained from patients whose medical information is recorded in the ART surveillance data files. A waiver of informed consent for the collection of data under the Fertility Clinic Success Rate and Certification Act of 1992 has been approved, based on the criteria described in Code of Federal Regulations, Title 45, Section 46.116.

Does this ICR request any PII? ☑ Yes ☐ No If yes, describe: see above

Does this ICR include a form that requires a Privacy Act Statement? ☑ Yes ☐ No

Does this ICR require a PIA? ☑ Yes ☐ No If yes, does a signed PIA already exist? ☑ Yes ☐ No

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