

**Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance for NIH Citizen Science and Crowdsourcing Projects”**

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**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** NIDCD 2022-2027 Strategic Plan: Idea Generation Template

**PURPOSE:** To crowdsource ideas for innovative, forward-thinking, and ambitious goals to advance science and improve the care and well-being of individuals with communication disorders in the mission areas of the NIDCD. The purpose of the form is to encourage visionary, broad, high-level ideas that may become objectives in the 2022-2027 NIDCD Strategic Plan.

**DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS:** We plan to solicit ideas from approximately 238 public and private experts, and federal subject matter experts. Subject matter experts stakeholders include research scientists, scientific experts in the fields (professional health care providers) related to the NIDCD mission areas of hearing, balance, taste, smell, voice, speech, and language. We will also invite Federal employees from NIH, HRSA, VA, and the CDC with expertise in the NIDCD mission areas.

**TYPE OF COLLECTION:** (Check one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Data Catalogue                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Repository of Tools and Best Practices                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendations of scientific reviewers | <input type="checkbox"/> Resources   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Call for Nominations                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Crowdsourcing ideas for strategic plan</u> |

**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. Information gathered will not be used for the purpose of substantially informing influential policy decisions.
5. 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.

Name: Laura Cole

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
3. 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 [X] No

**ESTIMATED BURDEN HOURS and COSTS**

Category of Respondent	No. of Respondents	No. of Responses per Respondent	Time per Response (in hours)	Total Burden Hours
Individual/Household	238	1	2	476
<b>Totals</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>238</b>		<b>476</b>

Category of Respondent	Total Burden Hours	Hourly Wage Rate*	Total Burden Cost
Individual/Household	476	\$43.99	\$20,939
<b>Totals</b>			<b>\$20,939</b>

\*Cite source per bls.gov if applicable

<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/life-physical-and-social-science/medical-scientists.htm>

**FEDERAL COST:** The estimated annual cost to the Federal government is \$4,788

Staff	Grade/Step	Salary*	% of Effort	Fringe (if applicable)	Total Cost to Gov't
<b>Federal Oversight</b>					
Branch Chief, Science Policy and Planning Branch	15/10	\$172,500	1%		\$1,725
Health Science Policy Analyst	14/10	\$159,286	1%		\$1,593
Health Science Policy Analyst	14/7	\$147,034	1%		\$1,470
<b>Contractor Cost</b>					
Travel					
Other Cost					
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$4,788</b>

\*the Salary in table above is cited from <https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/salaries-wages/2020/general-schedule/>

**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?

We asked the NIDCD scientific program staff to identify subject matter experts in the research areas of hearing, balance, taste, smell, voice, speech, and language to crowdsource ideas for our future strategic plan.

**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  
[ X ] Other, Explain – electronic mail
2. Will interviewers or facilitators be used? [ ] Yes [ X ] No