

## Comments in response to the Federal Register Notice


A 60-Day Notice was published in the Federal Register on August 31, 2018, Vol. 83, No. 170, pp. 44630-44631, with the title “Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS)” (**Attachment 2a**). CDC received four comments related to this notice. CDC did not provide a response to two comments because it fell outside of the scope of this information collection. Two other comments were sent to CDC by individuals outside of CDC, both of which were supportive. These two individuals commented on the importance of protecting the data provided by the women and provided suggestions as to further improve partnerships among agencies at global, federal, state, and local levels in regards to perinatal data collection and subsequent action

Standard Area/Topic	Comments	Date Received by CDC	CDC’s Response
Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility	Comment #1: Anonymous supportively commented that the information collection is a good idea as long as the information provided by women is not self-incriminating.	9/17/18	Thank you for your comment. Additional information addressing confidentiality of the data collected has been added to Supporting Statement A. A Certificate of Confidentiality provides additional protections to respondents for sensitive questions such as substance use. Section 301(d) of the Public Health Service Act (PHS) Act, which authorizes the use of Certificates, was amended by The 21st Century Cures Act amends Section 301(d) of the Public Health Service Act (PHS) Act and automatically issues Certificates to biomedical, behavioral, clinical, or other research activities in which identifiable, sensitive information is collected such as PRAMS. Individuals participating in the PRAMS are informed that they do not have to participate and that they may refuse to answer any question. It also describes the protections and limitations of the Certificate of Confidentiality.
	Comment #2: Julie Babyar, RN, MPH supportively commented that she is grateful for CDC’s surveillance and offered suggestions of collaboration at federal, state, and local levels to standardize data and further enact action from the data collection, as well as developing partnerships globally.	10/26/18	Thank you for your comment. We actively collaborate with federal, state and local health agencies to ensure quality and timely data collection that can be used to inform and evaluate programs and policy.
	Comment #3:	10/26/18	Non-substantive comment (outside of scope of project).

	An Anonymous comment stating that the information collection is a waste of taxpayer money and instead the importance of RhoGAM shot and the impact on newborns from Rh-negative mothers should be examined.		
	Comment #4: An Anonymous comment stating his/her opinion on the current administration.	10/30/18	Non-substantive comment (outside of scope of project).



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I say let Trump be Trump. If President Tiny Hands wants to act like a sexist, misogynist patriarchal fool, that's his right. Anyway Trump's denigration of women is one of the few things he's honest and consistent about. He was a sexist porker in the 80's, and he's still one today. #PresidentTinyHands #OrangeDumbSicle \*🗣️

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