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Subject: Change Request – ORR Refugee Career Pathways Program Performance Data Form (OMB #0970-0490)

This memo requests approval of changes to the approved generic information collection (GenIC), ORR Refugee Career Pathways Program Performance Data Form, approved under the ACF Generic Performance Progress Report (OMB #0970-0490).

Background

The ORR Refugee Career Pathways program performance data collection form was most recently re-approved in FY 2020. The form is completed by program grantees semi-annually along with the standard ACF Performance Progress Report (OMB Approval Number 0970-0406) to allow ORR to monitor grantee progress and collect information required for ORR's annual report to Congress and other purposes.

This form revises required indicators to add collection of information on gender of enrolled participants. Proposed changes are in response to agency-wide focus on equity and an effort to standardize information collected by ORR for performance reporting. Information collected on participant gender will inform ORR on the extent to which program services are available and accessible to all eligible participants and be used to inform program changes and provide support as required.

Additionally, ORR expects to issue 25 new Refugee Career Pathways awards in September 2022, which is in addition to the currently reporting grantees.

Overview of Requested Changes

The revised form adds fields for funding recipients to report on gender breakdown for the following indicators: enrolled participants, participants obtaining new or recognized credentials, and participants attaining skilled/professional employment. No individual information is requested, all information is reported by grantees in the aggregate.

To reflect new awards in September 2022, the total number of respondents has been increased from 25 to 42.