

**Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance for the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback” (OMB#: 0925-0648 Exp., date: 06/30/2024)**

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**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** Genomic Epidemiology for Public Health Laboratories Workshop Assessment (FIC)

**PURPOSE:**

The COVID-19 and 2009 H1N1 pandemics and the Ebola, Zika, MERS and SARS-COV-1 outbreaks exemplify the risks the world faces from zoonotic diseases. In order to increase global capacity for surveillance of zoonotic diseases outbreaks, the Fogarty International Center (FIC) and the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory (JHU APL) have been training public health and veterinary professionals from Pakistan, Cameroon, DRC, Tunisia, Nigeria, Mali, CAR, Gabon, Colombia, Chile and Argentina in the principles of Genomic Epidemiology using the MinION portable real-time sequencing platform.

The Genomic Epidemiology for Public Health Laboratories Workshop will be offered to public health laboratorians in Pakistan from March 3-March 9, 2022, to teach laboratory and data analysis skills necessary for real-time genomic surveillance and analysis of emerging disease threats in Pakistan.

The assessment of the course content is required as part of the Department of State funding for this workshop and is very important feedback for Fogarty International Center to help us improve the training workshop. The assessment will be distributed at the end of the Workshop.

**DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS:**

The participants will be public health laboratorians involved in surveillance of infectious diseases at three public health laboratories in Pakistan. All participants speak English as well as Urdu and regional dialects. Participants have volunteered to take the course in order to build their technical expertise in a new, highly technical set of laboratory and data analytical skills. The course is being offered free of charge to participants.

**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? [ X ] 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 [ X ] No
3. If Applicable, has a System or Records Notice been published? [X] 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
Individuals	36	1	12/60	7
<b>Totals</b>		36		7

**COST TO RESPONDENT**

Category of Respondent	Total Burden Hours	Hourly Wage Rate*	Total Burden Cost
Individuals –	7	\$18	\$126
<b>Totals</b>			\$126

**FEDERAL COST:** The estimated annual cost to the Federal government is \_\_\_\$533

Staff	Grade/Step	Salary	% of Effort	Fringe (if applicable)	Total Cost to Gov't
<b>Federal Oversight</b>					
General Health Scientist	15 / 9	\$176,300	0.02%		\$353
<b>Contractor Cost</b>					
FIC Kelly Contractor Full Time Staff		\$125,000	0.1%		\$180

Travel					
Other Cost					
<b>Total</b>					\$533

\*the Salary in table above is cited from <https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/salaries-wages/salary-tables/pdf/2022/DCB.pdf>

**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?  
 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?

All participants who attend the workshop will be asked to fill out an evaluation of the workshop in order to help us improve the course.

**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, Explain
2. Will interviewers or facilitators be used?  Yes  No