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## **Justification for Change Request for OMB 0920-0978**

This is a nonmaterial/non-substantive change request for OMB No. 0920-0978, expiration date 02/26/2026, for the Emerging Infections Programs (EIP). All requested changes represent minor modifications to already-approved instruments including revised formatting, rewording, new answer options, and the addition/subtraction of a limited number of questions.

The Emerging Infections Programs (EIPs) are population-based centers of excellence established through a network of state health departments collaborating with academic institutions, local health departments, public health and clinical laboratories, infection control professionals, and healthcare providers. EIPs assist in local, state, and national efforts to prevent, control, and monitor the public health impact of infectious diseases.

Activities of the EIPs fall into the following general categories: (1) active surveillance; (2) applied public health epidemiologic and laboratory activities; (3) implementation and evaluation of pilot prevention/intervention projects; and (4) flexible response to public health emergencies. Activities of the EIPs are designed to: (1) address issues that the EIP network is particularly suited to investigate; (2) maintain sufficient flexibility for emergency response and new problems as they arise; (3) develop and evaluate public health interventions to inform public health policy and treatment guidelines; (4) incorporate training as a key function; and (5) prioritize projects that lead directly to the prevention of disease.

Activities in the EIP Network in which all applicants must participate are:

- Active Bacterial Core surveillance (ABCs): active population-based laboratory surveillance for invasive bacterial diseases.
- Foodborne Diseases Active Surveillance Network (FoodNet): active population-based laboratory surveillance to monitor the incidence of select enteric diseases.
- Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Network (FluSurv-NET): active population-based surveillance for laboratory confirmed influenza-related hospitalizations.
- Healthcare-Associated Infections-Community Interface (HAIC) surveillance: active population-based surveillance for healthcare-associated pathogens and infections.

This non-substantive change request is for changes to the disease-specific data elements for ABCs, FoodNet, FluSurv-NET, and HAIC. The changes made to all forms under this non-substantive request will aid in improving surveillance efficiency and data quality to clarify the burden of disease and possible risk factors for disease. This information can be used to inform strategies for preventing disease and negative outcomes. Specifically, changes were made for clarification purposes, to assist data collectors in capturing data in a standardized fashion to improve accuracy. As a result of proposed changes, the estimated annualized burden is expected to increase by 35 hours, from 55,786 to 55,821. The data elements and justifications are described below.

The forms for which approval for changes are being sought include:

**ABCs:**

1. ABCs Case Report Form
2. ABCs Invasive Pneumococcal disease in Children and Adults Case Report Form

**Food Net:**

1. FoodNet Active Surveillance Data Elements List

**FluSurv-NET:**

1. FluSurv-Net Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Network Case Report Form
2. FluSurv-NET/RSV-NET Laboratory Survey
3. COVID-19 Vaccination Status on FluSurv-NET Cases (optional form) - This is an optional supplemental portion of the FluSurv-Net Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Network Case Report Form. Because this project will involve automated linkage of FluSurv-NET cases to the state immunization registry, there are no additional burden hours.
4. Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Project Vaccination Telephone Script / Consent Form (English)-*Deleted*

**HAIC:**

1. Multi-site Gram-Negative Surveillance Initiative (MuGSI) Case Report Form (CRF) - ***This form is a consolidation of the Multi-Site Gram-Negative Bacilli Case Report Form (MuGSI)-CRE/CRAB and the MuGSI Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamase-Producing Enterobacteriaceae (ESBL/iEC)***
2. Multi-site Gram-Negative Surveillance Initiative (MuGSI) Community-Associated Carbapenemase-Producing Carbapenem-Resistant *Enterobacterales* (CA CP-CRE) Health interview
3. Multi-site Gram-Negative Surveillance Initiative (MuGSI) Supplemental Surveillance Officer Survey
4. Invasive *Staphylococcus aureus* Infection Case Report Form - ***This form is a consolidation of the Invasive Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) Case Report Form and the Invasive Methicillin-sensitive Staphylococcus aureus (MSSA) Infection Case Report Form***
5. Invasive *Staphylococcus aureus* Supplemental Surveillance Officer
6. Invasive *Staphylococcus aureus* Laboratory Survey: Use of Nucleic Acid Amplification Testing (NAAT)
7. *Clostridioides difficile* Infection (CDI) Case Report and Treatment Form
8. *Clostridioides difficile* Infection (CDI) Annual Surveillance Officers Survey
9. Annual Survey of Laboratory Testing Practices for *C. difficile* Infections
10. Candidemia Case Report Form
11. Laboratory Testing Practices for Candidemia Questionnaire

**Estimated Annualized Burden Hours**

As a result of proposed changes to forms highlighted in yellow, the estimated annualized burden is expected to increase by 2,034 hours, from 53,784 to 55,818.

The following table is updated for the entire 0920-0978 burden table. The forms included in this change request are highlighted:

**2024 - Estimated Annualized Burden Hours**

*Table A.12-A1. Estimated Annualized Burden Hours*

Type of Respondent	Form Name	No. of respondents	No. of responses per respondent	Avg. burden per response (in hours)	Current Total burden (in hours)
State Health Department	ABCs Case Report Form	10	809	20/60	2697
	ABCs Invasive Pneumococcal Disease in Children and Adults Case Report Form	10	127	10/60	212
	ABCs <i>H. influenzae</i> Neonatal Sepsis Expanded Surveillance Form	10	6	10/60	10
	ABCs Severe GAS Infection Supplemental Form	10	136	20/60	453
	ABCs Neonatal Infection Expanded Tracking Form	10	37	20/60	123
	FoodNet Campylobacter	10	970	21/60	3395
	FoodNet Cyclospora	10	42	10/60	70
	FoodNet Listeria monocytogenes	10	16	20/60	53
	FoodNet Salmonella	10	855	21/60	2993
	FoodNet Shiga toxin producing <i>E. coli</i>	10	290	20/60	967
	FoodNet Shigella	10	234	10/60	390
	FoodNet Vibrio	10	46	10/60	77
	FoodNet Yersinia	10	55	10/60	92
	FoodNet Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome	10	10	1	100
	FoodNet Clinical Laboratory Practices and Testing Volume	10	70	10/60	117
	FluSurv-Net Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Network Case Report Form	15	727	25/60	4544

	COVID Vaccination Status on FluSurv-NET cases (optional)	7	727	0	0
	FluSurv-Net Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Project Vaccination Phone Script and Consent Form (English/Spanish)	14	16	10/60	37
	FluSurv-Net Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Project Provider Vaccination History Fax Form (Children/Adults)	14	126	5/60	147
	FluSurv-NET Laboratory Survey	15	16	10/60	40
	HAIC - MuGSI Case Report Form	10	4700	28/60	21933
	HAIC - Invasive <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> Infection Case Report Form	10	780	28/60	3640
	HAIC - CDI Case Report and Treatment Form	10	1650	38/60	10450
	HAIC Candidemia Case Report Form	10	170	40/60	1133
	HAIC- Annual Survey of Laboratory Testing Practices for <i>C. difficile</i> Infections	10	16	17/60	45
	HAIC- CDI Annual Surveillance Officers Survey	10	1	15/60	3
	HAIC- Emerging Infections Program <i>C. difficile</i> Surveillance Nursing Home Telephone Survey (LTCF)	10	45	5/60	38
	HAIC- Invasive <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> Laboratory Survey	10	11	20/60	37
	HAIC- Invasive <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> Supplemental Surveillance Officers Survey	10	1	10/60	2
	HAIC- Laboratory Testing Practices for Candidemia Questionnaire	10	20	14/60	47
	HAIC MuGSI CA CP-CRE Health interview	10	10	30/60	50
	HAIC MuGSI Supplemental Surveillance Officer Survey	10	1	15/60	3
	HAIC Death Ascertainment Project	10	8	1440/60	1,920
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>55,818</b>