

**Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance for Improving Customer Experience:
OMB Circular A-11, Section 280 Implementation”
(OMB Control Number: 1601-0029)**

TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION: CERC Training Survey

PURPOSE OF COLLECTION:

What are you hoping to learn / improve? How do you plan to use what you learn? Are there artifacts (user personas, journey maps, digital roadmaps, summary of customer insights to inform service improvements, performance dashboards) the data from this collection will feed?

The Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) Risk Analysis Planning and Information Directorate (RAPID) scoped Resilience Action Partners (RAP) to develop a strategy to assess Customer Experience (CX) across communication touchpoints (e.g., Risk MAP meetings, websites, trainings, etc.). A 10-question survey designed to evaluate Community Engagement Risk Communication (CERC) trainings will be leveraged to inform this strategy. Specifically, to garner data that will allow FEMA to:

- Understand, measure, and track the Customer Experience across CERC trainings
- Baseline data to track trends in CERC training customer engagement metrics over time.
- Identify areas for improvement.

All training types will receive the same survey instrument.

TYPE OF ACTIVITY: (Check one)

- Customer Research (Interview, Focus Groups)
- Customer Feedback Survey
- User Testing

ACTIVITY DETAILS

1. If this is a survey, will the results of this survey be reported to Touchpoints as part of quarterly reporting obligations specified in OMB Circular A-11 Section 280?
 Yes
 No
 Not a survey

2. How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)
 Web-based or other forms of Social Media
 Telephone
 In-person
 Mail
 Other, Explain:

3. Who will you collect the information from?
Explain who will be interviewed and why the group is appropriate for the Federal program / service to connect with. Please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and if only a sample will be solicited for feedback, how you will select them(e.g., anyone who provided an email address to a call center rep, a representative sample of

Veterans who received outpatient services in May 2019, do you have a list of customers to reach out to (e.g., a CRM database that has the contact information, intercept interviews at a particular field office?)

The survey will be conducted among attendees to any CERC training facilitated by FEMA and/or contractor.

How will you ask a respondent to provide this information?
(e.g., after an application is submitted online, the final screen will present the opportunity to provide feedback by presenting a link to a feedback form / an actual feedback form)

Respondents will be provided with access to the survey after each training via [QR code or survey link provided at training, follow up email with survey link].

4. What will the activity look like?

Describe the information collection activity – e.g. what happens when a person agrees to participate? Will facilitators or interviewers be used? What’s the format of the interview/focus group? If a survey, describe the overall survey layout/length/other details? If User Testing, what actions will you observe / how will you have respondents interact with a product you need feedback on?

Training attendees will receive a 11 question survey; four multiple choice questions, five 5- point likert scale questions, and two free-text box. All questions will be voluntary, none are required. The survey was developed based on OMB’s A-11 guidance.

Questions will cover touchpoint satisfaction, understanding and skills gained, as well as accessibility needs such as language preferences and trainins formats

5. Please provide your question list.

Please see instrument included with this Information Collection Request package.

6. When will the activity happen?

Describe the time frame or number of events that will occur (e.g., We will conduct focus groups on May 13,14,15, We plan to conduct customer intercept interviews over the course of the Summer at the field offices identified in response to #2 based on scheduling logistics concluding by Sept. 10th, or “This survey will remain on our website in alignment with the timing of the overall clearance.”)

We plan to conduct the survey at applicable training throughout 2024 and 2025.

7. Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants?

Yes No

If Yes, describe:

Some CERC trainings offer continuing education credit from agencies like the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) and the American Planning Association (APA).

BURDEN HOURS

Category of Respondent	No. of Respondents *	Participation Time, in hours	Burden Hours
Individuals	2,000	0.08	160
Community/Government Officials	2,000	0.08	160
Totals	4,000		320

* No. of Respondents reflects an upper bound estimate of the number of respondents USCIS' Qualtrics platform can handle for this information collection. USCIS anticipates fewer respondents than is estimated.

CERTIFICATION:

I certify the following to be true:

1. The collections are voluntary;
2. The collections are low-burden for respondents (based on considerations of total burden hours or burden-hours per respondent) and are low-cost for both the respondents and the Federal Government;
3. The collections are non-controversial and do not raise issues of concern to other Federal agencies;
4. Any 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 near future;
5. Personally identifiable information (PII) is collected only to the extent necessary and is not retained;
6. Information gathered is intended to be used for general service improvement and program management purposes
7. Upon agreement between OMB and the agency aggregated data may be released as part of A-11, Section 280 requirements only on performance.gov. Summaries of customer research and user testing activities may be included in public-facing customer journey maps.
8. Additional release of data will be coordinated with OMB.

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All instruments used to collect information must include:

OMB Control No. 1601-0029

Expiration Date: 12/31/2026

HELP SHEET
(OMB Control Number: XXXX-XXXX)

TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION: Provide the name of the collection that is the subject of the request. (e.g. Comment card for soliciting feedback on xxxx)

PURPOSE: Provide a brief description of the purpose of this collection and how it will be used. If this is part of a larger study or effort, please include this in your explanation.

TYPE OF COLLECTION: Check one box. If you are requesting approval of other instruments under the generic, you must complete a form for each instrument.

CERTIFICATION: Please read the certification carefully. If you incorrectly certify, the collection will be returned as improperly submitted or it will be disapproved.

Personally Identifiable Information: Agencies should only collect PII to the extent necessary, and they should only retain PII for the period of time that is necessary to achieve a specific objective.

BURDEN HOURS:

Category of Respondents: Identify who you expect the respondents to be in terms of the following categories: (1) Individuals or Households;(2) Private Sector; (3) State, local, or tribal governments; or (4) Federal Government. Only one type of respondent can be selected per row.

No. of Respondents: Provide an estimate of the Number of respondents.

Participation Time: Provide an estimate of the amount of time required for a respondent to participate (e.g. fill out a survey or participate in a focus group)

Burden: Provide the Annual burden hours: Multiply the Number of responses and the participation time and divide by 60.