**Non-substantive Change Request**

**OMB Control Number 0920-1402; Expiration Date 05/31/2027**

**Surveillance of HIV-Related Service Barriers Among Individuals with Early or Late HIV**

**Diagnoses (SHIELD)**

**Date Submitted: 03/12/2025**

**Summary of request:** CDC/NCHHSTP is requesting a change request to revise questions to align with EO 14168 *Defending Women From Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government.*

**Description of Changes Requested:** This request updates sex questions used in Surveillance of HIV-Related Service Barriers Among Individuals with Early or Late HIV Diagnoses (SHIELD) to be in accordance with EO 14168. Please check the boxes below if your request includes:

 [x] Revision of an existing question(s)

 [x] Deletion of an existing question(s)

The requested changes are listed in Table A below and red-lined in Attachment 6A (English survey instrument) and Attachment 6B (Spanish survey instrument).

**Description of Changes to Burden (if applicable):**

There is no change in Burden Hours associated with the modifications made to comply with EO 14168. Most of the deleted questions are only asked of participants who self-identified as transgender, estimated to be <10% of all respondents. Question revisions are minor and not expected to change burden.

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| **Table A: Description of Changes** |
| **Type of Change**  | **Question/Item**  | **Requested Change**  |
| Question Revision | What sex were you assigned at birth?1 Male2 Female 3 Intersex 99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] | What is your sex, male or female?1 Male2 Female99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] |
| Question Deletion | How do you describe your current gender identity?1 Man2 Woman3 Transgender man4 Transgender woman5 Non-Binary6 Genderqueer96 Another gender identity99 Prefer not to respond [EXCLUSIVE] [HIDE IF MODE=WB]  | N/A |
| Question Deletion | What is the other gender identity? | N/A |
| Question Revision | How do you describe your sexual orientation? 1 Bisexual2 Gay or Lesbian 3 Queer4 Same-gender-loving5 Straight or heterosexual96 Another sexual orientation99 Prefer not to respond [EXCLUSIVE] [HIDE IF MODE=WB]  | How do you describe your sexual orientation? 1 Bisexual2 Gay or Lesbian3 Straight or heterosexual96 Another sexual orientation 99 Prefer not to respond [EXCLUSIVE] [HIDE IF MODE=WB] |
| Question Revision | In the **12 months before your diagnosis**, from [HIVDX\_M] [HIVDX\_Y\_M1Y] to [HIVDX\_M] [HIVDX\_Y], who did you have sex with?1 Men2 Women3 Transgender men4 Transgender women95 People with another gender identity 0 I did not have sex with anyone in the 12 months before my diagnosis [EXCLUSIVE]98 Don’t know [EXCLUSIVE] 99 Prefer not to respond [EXCLUSIVE] [HIDE IF MODE=WB]  | In the **12 months before your diagnosis**, from [HIVDX\_M] [HIVDX\_Y\_M1Y] to [HIVDX\_M] [HIVDX\_Y], who did you have sex with?1 Men2 Women0 I did not have sex with anyone in the 12 months before my diagnosis [EXCLUSIVE]98 Don’t know [EXCLUSIVE]99 Prefer not to respond [EXCLUSIVE] [HIDE IF MODE=WB] |
| Question Revision | Did any of these **healthcare-related** reasons prevent you from getting an HIV test? 1 A healthcare worker did not offer you an HIV test or did not seem knowledgeable about HIV testing 2 A healthcare worker said you did not need an HIV test3 Not comfortable asking a healthcare worker for an HIV test 4 Had a bad experience with a healthcare worker5 A healthcare worker might share your information with others6 A healthcare worker might discriminate against you because of your gender identity or sexual orientation 7 A healthcare worker might discriminate against you because of your race or ethnicity8 A healthcare worker might share your information with immigration enforcement9 A healthcare worker might not understand your language or would not be able to provide an interpreter10 Did not have access to healthcare94 None of these [EXCLUSIVE]99 Prefer not to respond [EXCLUSIVE] [HIDE IF MODE=WB]  | Did any of these **healthcare-related** reasons prevent you from getting an HIV test? 1 A healthcare worker did not offer you an HIV test or did not seemknowledgeable about HIV testing 2 A healthcare worker said you did not need an HIV test3 Not comfortable asking a healthcare worker for an HIV test4 Had a bad experience with a healthcare worker5 A healthcare worker might share your information with others6 A healthcare worker might discriminate against you becauseof your sex or sexual orientation 7 A healthcare worker might discriminate against you because of your race or ethnicity8 A healthcare worker might share your information with immigration enforcement9 A healthcare worker might not understand your language or would not be able to provide an interpreter10 Did not have access to healthcare 94 None of these [EXCLUSIVE]99 Prefer not to respond [EXCLUSIVE] [HIDE IF MODE=WB] |
| Question Revision | **Before your diagnosis**, which of the following topics did you and a healthcare worker talk about:1 Sexual history2 How to prevent HIV or sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)3 Sexual health for gay, bisexual, or other men who have sex with men4 Sexual health for transgender or non-binary people 5 Counseling about safer sex practices or reducing number of sex partners 6 Getting tested and knowing your HIV status7 PrEP or pre-exposure prophylaxis8 PEP or post-exposure prophylaxis9 Using alcohol or drugs before or during sex10 Treatment for drug or alcohol use11 Safer injection practices94 None of these [EXCLUSIVE]  | **Before your diagnosis**, which of the following topics did you and a healthcare worker talk about:1 Sexual history2 How to prevent HIV or sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)3 Sexual health for gay, bisexual, or other men who have sex with men 4 Counseling about safer sex practices or reducing number of sex partners 5 Getting tested and knowing your HIV status6 PrEP or pre-exposure prophylaxis 7 PEP or post-exposure prophylaxis8 Using alcohol or drugs before or during sex9 Treatment for drug or alcohol use 10 Safer injection practices94 None of these [EXCLUSIVE]  |
| Question Deletion | **Before your diagnosis**, did you share your gender identity with a healthcare worker? 0 No 1 Yes 99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] | N/A |
| Question Revision | Based on your responses to the last two questions you may have experienced discrimination when getting care. Which of the following do you believe are reasons you may have experienced discrimination?1 Gender 2 Sexual orientation3 Race or ethnicity4 Income or social class5 Use of drugs6 Use of alcohol7 Weight8 Type of health insurance or because you did not have health insurance 9 Immigration status10 Disability status94 None of these [EXCLUSIVE] 99 Prefer not to respond [EXCLUSIVE] [HIDE IF MODE=WB]  | Based on your responses to the last two questions you may have experienced discrimination when getting care. Which of the following do you believe are reasons you may have experienced discrimination?1 Sex 2 Sexual orientation3 Race or ethnicity4 Income or social class5 Use of drugs6 Use of alcohol7 Weight8 Type of health insurance or because you did not have health insurance 9 Immigration status10 Disability status94 None of these [EXCLUSIVE] 99 Prefer not to respond [EXCLUSIVE] [HIDE IF MODE=WB] |
| Question Revision | Most people in [J\_INSERT] are accepting of people who are gay or bisexual or same-gender-loving. 1 Strongly disagree2 Somewhat disagree3 Neutral4 Somewhat agree5 Strongly agree98 Don’t know 99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] | Most people in [J\_INSERT] are accepting of people who are gay or bisexual. 1 Strongly disagree2 Somewhat disagree3 Neutral4 Somewhat agree5 Strongly agree98 Don’t know 99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] |
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| Question Deletion | **Before your diagnosis**, did you have trouble getting a job or keeping a job because of your gender identity?0 No1 Yes98 Don’t know99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] | N/A |
| Question Deletion | **Before your diagnosis**, were you denied access to bathrooms that matched your gender identity?0 No1 Yes98 Don’t know99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] | N/A |
| Question Deletion | **Before your diagnosis**, were you denied housing or evicted because of your gender identity?0 No1 Yes98 Don’t know99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] | N/A |
| Question Deletion | **Before your diagnosis,** were you denied or given lower quality healthcare because of your gender identity?0 No1 Yes98 Don’t know99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] | N/A |
| Question Deletion | **Before your diagnosis,** did you feel proud of your gender identity?0 No1 Yes99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] | N/A |
| Question Deletion | **Before your diagnosis,** were you comfortable sharing your gender identity with others?0 No1 Yes99 Prefer not to respond [HIDE IF MODE=WB] | N/A |