

Request for approval under the clearance of the “Generic Performance Progress Report” OMB control Number: 0970-0490

TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION: Regional Partnership Grant Program Semi Annual ACF Performance Progress Report

PURPOSE: The Regional Partnership Grant (RPG) Program is administered by the Administration for Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Children’s Bureau (CB) to improve the well-being of children affected by parental substance use disorders. The projects support interagency collaborations and integration of programs, services, and activities designed to increase the well-being, improve the permanency, and enhance the safety of children who are in, or at risk of, out-of-home placements as the result of a parent or caregiver’s substance use disorder. The partnerships implement a range of activities and interventions, including peer recovery coaching, family-centered and prevention-focused services, parenting and family strengthening programs, specialized services to fathers, and pregnant and postpartum women, medication assisted treatment, in-home parenting and child safety support for families, and related evidence-based practices. RPG projects strive to reduce structural barriers and increase equitable access to services for children, parents, and families.

The RPG projects participate in a legislatively required cross site evaluation and the review of the SAPR may complement this work. Therefore, CB currently collects performance and progress data from RPG grant recipients through SAPRs approved under the RPG National Cross-Site Evaluation and Evaluation Technical Assistance information collection (OMB #0970-0527). A subset of Round 5 grant recipients received no cost extensions for a period of 6 or 12 months to continue work. Reporting for this additional year was not included under OMB #0970-0527. These recipients are also no longer participating in the cross-site evaluations. As such, this request is specific to these Round5 projects and this version of the SAPR is tailored slightly to these grant recipients based on where they are in the stage of work.

The SAPR tailors the standard ACF Performance Progress Report Appendix B (0970-0406) to request information that is specific to the RPG Program. Appendix B of the SAPR requests information on the programmatic and evaluation activities conducted by the grantee during the reporting period as well as activities planned for the next reporting period. Grantees are also invited to attach any supporting documents to provide additional insight about their project work, service delivery, information on implementation or evaluation plans and related technical assistance needs

Information from the report is used by CB to meet grants management requirements as well as inform technical assistance efforts. RPG SAPR data contributes to information shared in Reports to Congress.

The RPG program is supported by two technical assistance providers, the TA providers collaborated with CB on the development of the tailored SAPR to ensure information collected is appropriate and not duplicated in other efforts.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: RPG Round 5 grant recipients, which include state agencies, a judicial court state agency, and community-based organizations (mental health and health care community service providers).

CERTIFICATION:

I certify the following to be true:

1. The collection is in compliance with HHS regulations.
2. The collection is non-controversial and does not raise issues of concern to other federal agencies.
3. Information gathered is meant primarily for program improvement and accountability.

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To assist OMB review of your request, please provide answers to the following question:

PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION:

1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected? ☐ Yes ☒ No
2. If Yes, will any information that is collected be included in records that are subject to the Privacy Act of 1974? ☐ Yes ☐ No
3. If Yes, has an up-to-date System of Records Notice (SORN) been published? ☐ Yes ☐ No

BURDEN HOURS

CB estimates that the time to complete the SAPR is about 16.5 hours. Grantees report semi-annually. Cohort 5 includes 9 recipients. Two ended in September 2023. Two were granted a no cost extension (NCE) through March 2024 and will report one additional time. Five were granted a NCE through September 2024 and will report two additional times.

Category of Respondent	Time period of NCE	No. of Respondents	No. of Responses per Respondent per year	Burden per Response	Annual Burden Hours
Private Sector (Grant recipient)	6 months	2	1	16.5	33
	12 months	5	2	16.5	165
Total Annual Burden:					198 hours

FEDERAL COST: The estimated annual cost to the federal government is \$3,420

TYPE OF COLLECTION:

How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)

- ☒ Web-based
- ☒ E-mail
- ☐ Paper mail
- ☐ Other, Explain

Please make sure that all instruments, instructions, and scripts are submitted with the request.