National Institutes of Health

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; The Framingham Study

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), the National Institutes of Health (NIH) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register on August 23, 1996, page 43557 and allowed 60 days for public comment. No public comments were received. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment. The National Institutes of Health may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

PROPOSED COLLECTION: Title: The Framingham Study. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension of a currently approved collection (OMB No. 0925–0216). Need and Use of Information Collection: This project involves physical examination and testing of the surviving members of the original Framingham Study cohort and the surviving members of the offspring cohort. Investigators will contact doctors, hospitals, and nursing homes to ascertain participants' cardiovascular events occurring outside the study clinic. Information gathered will be used to further describe the risk factors, occurrence rates, and consequences of cardiovascular disease in middle aged and older men and women. Frequency of Response: The cohort participants respond every two years; the offspring participants respond every four years. Affected Public: Individuals or households; Businesses or other for profit; Small businesses or organizations. Type of Respondents: Middle aged and elderly adults; doctors and staff of hospitals and nursing homes. The annual reporting burden is as follows:

Type of respondents	Estimated number of respondents	Estimated number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per responses	Estimated total annual burden hours requested
Original cohort	417	1.0	1.36	566
Offspring cohort	1,300	1.0	3.9	5,100
Event information [1]	1,258	1.0	0.38	472
Total				6,138

[1] Annual burden is placed on doctors, hospitals, nursing homes, and respondent relatives/informants through requests for information which will help in the compilation of the number and nature of new fatal and nonfatal events occurring outside the Framingham examining clinic.

The cost to the respondents consists of their time and travel; time is estimated using a rate of $10.00 per hour and travel is estimated using a cost of $0.35 per mile. The annualized cost to original and offspring cohort respondents is estimated at: $56,640. The annualized cost for event information is $23,173. The Capital Costs are $229,000. The Operating and Maintenance Costs are $2,692.000.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS: Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited on one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DIRECT COMMENTS TO OMB: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for NIH. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, contact: Ms. Suzanne Anthony, Project Clearance Liaison, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, NIH, Building 31, Room 4A28, MSC 2490, 31 Center Dr., Bethesda, MD 20892–2490 or call non-toll free number (310) 496–1763, or E-mail your request, including your address, to: <AnthonySs@nih.gov>.

COMMENTS DUE DATE: Comments regarding this information collect are best assured of having their full effect if received on or before December 18, 1996.

Dated: November 7, 1996.

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National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 United States Code Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meeting:

Purpose/Agenda: To review and evaluate research grant applications.

Name of SEP: Scientific Review Group Meeting on Cartilage and Connective Tissue.

Date of Meeting: November 13, 1996.

Time: 7:30 a.m.—adjournment.

Place of Meeting: Holiday Inn-Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

Scientific Review Administrator: Theresa Lo, Ph.D., Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Rm 5AS–37B, Bethesda, Maryland 20892–6500, Telephone: 301–594–4952.

The meeting will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 United