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Maternal and Child Health Services; Federal Set-Aside Program; Research and Training Grants

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds.

SUMMARY: The HRSA announces that approximately \$47.9 million in fiscal year (FY) 1997 funds will be available for Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS) research and training grants. All awards are made under the program authority of section 502(a) of the Social Security Act, the MCH Federal Set-Aside Program. MCH research and training grants improve the health status of mothers and children through: development and dissemination of new knowledge; demonstration of new or improved ways of delivering care or otherwise enhancing Title V program capacity to provide or assure provision of appropriate services; and preparation of personnel in MCH-relevant specialties. Grants for SPRANS genetic services and special MCH improvement projects (MCHIP), which contribute to the health of mothers, children, and children with special health care needs (CSHCN), are being announced in a separate notice. No new SPRANS hemophilia program grants will be funded in FY 1997.

Of the approximately \$47.9 million available for SPRANS research and training activities in FY 1997, about \$8.1 million will be available to support approximately 56 new and competing renewal MCH research and training projects. About \$39.8 million will be used to support continuation of existing MCH research and training activities. The actual amounts available for awards and their allocation may vary depending on unanticipated program requirements and the volume and quality of applications. Awards are made for grant periods which generally run from 1 up to 5 years in duration. Funds for research and training grants under the MCH Federal Set-Aside Program are appropriated by Public Law 104-208.

The Public Health Service (PHS) is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of Healthy People 2000, a PHS-led national activity for setting priority areas. The MCH Block Grant Federal Set-Aside Program addresses issues related to the Healthy People 2000 objectives of improving maternal, infant, child and adolescent health and developing service systems for children with special health care needs. Potential applicants may obtain a copy of Healthy People 2000 (Full Report: Stock No. 017-001-00474-0) or Healthy People 2000 (Summary Report: Stock No. 017-001-00473-1) through the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office Washington, DC 20402-9325 (telephone: 202-512-1800).

The PHS strongly encourages all grant recipients to provide a smoke-free workplace and promote the non-use of all tobacco products. In addition, Public Law 103-227, the Pro-Children Act of 1994, prohibits smoking in certain facilities (or in some cases, any portion of a facility) in which regular or routine education, library, day care, health care or early childhood development services are provided to children.

ADDRESSES: Federal Register notices and application guidance for MCHB programs are available on the World Wide Web via the Internet at address: <http://www.os.dhhs.gov/hrsa/mchb>. Click on the file name you want to download to your computer. It will be saved as a self-extracting (Macintosh or) WordPerfect 5.1 file. To decompress the file once it is downloaded, type in the file name followed by a <return>. The file will expand to a WordPerfect 5.1 file.

For applicants for SPRANS research and training grants who are unable to access application materials electronically, a hard copy may be obtained from the HRSA Grants Application Center. Applicants for research projects will use Form PHS 398, approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under control number 0925-0001. Applicants for training projects will use Form PHS 6025-1, approved by OMB under control number 0915-0060. Requests should specify the category or categories of activities for which an application is requested so that the appropriate forms, information and materials may be provided. The Center may be contacted by: Telephone Number: 1-888-300-HRSA, FAX Number: 301-309-0579, E-mail Address: HRSA.GAC@ix.netcom.com. Completed applications should be returned to: Grants Management Officer, HRSA Grants Application Center, 40 West Gude Drive, Suite 100, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Please indicate the CFDA # [93.110(TA)-(RS)] representing the category or subcategory for which the application is being submitted (See TABLE below).

DATES: Deadlines for receipt of applications differ for the several categories of grants. These deadlines are as follows:

MCH FEDERAL SET-ASIDE COMPETITIVE RESEARCH AND TRAINING GRANTS ANTICIPATED DEADLINE, AWARD, FUNDING, AND PROJECT PERIOD INFORMATION, BY CATEGORY FY 1997

CFDA No.	Funding source/category	Application deadline	Est. number of awards	Est. amounts available	Project period
93.110(TA)	Category 1: MCH Long Term Training				
93.110(TB)	Adolescent Health	Mar. 21, 1997	Up to 6	\$2.2 million	Up to 5 years.
93.110(TC)	Behavioral Pediatrics	Mar. 21, 1997	Up to 8	1 million	Up to 5 years.
93.110(TD)	Communication Disorders	Mar. 14, 1997	Up to 3	400,000	Up to 5 years.
93.110(TE)	Pediatric Dentistry	Mar. 14, 1997	Up to 3	400,000	Up to 5 years.
93.110(TF)	Pediatric Occupational Therapy	Mar. 14, 1997	Up to 3	400,000	Up to 5 years.
93.110(TG)	Pediatric Physical Therapy	Mar. 14, 1997	Up to 3	400,000	Up to 5 years.
93.110(TH)	Public Health Social Work	Mar. 14, 1997	Up to 3	400,000	Up to 5 years.
93.110(TI)	Category 2: MCH Short Term Training				
93.110(TJ)	Continuing Education and Development.	July 1, 1997	Up to 15	1 million	Up to 3 years.
	Category 3: MCH Research				

MCH FEDERAL SET-ASIDE COMPETITIVE RESEARCH AND TRAINING GRANTS ANTICIPATED DEADLINE, AWARD, FUNDING, AND PROJECT PERIOD INFORMATION, BY CATEGORY FY 1997—Continued

CFDA No.	Funding source/category	Application deadline	Est. number of awards	Est. amounts available	Project period
93.110(RS)	MCH Research Cycle	Mar. 1, and Aug. 1, 1997 ...	Up to 12	1.9 million	Up to 5 years.

Applications will be considered to have met the deadline if they are either: (1) received on or before the deadline date; or (2) postmarked on or before the deadline date and received in time for orderly processing. Applicants should request a legibly dated receipt from a commercial carrier or the U.S. Postal Service, or obtain a legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark. Private metered postmarks will not be accepted as proof of timely mailing. Late applications will be returned to the applicant.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for technical or programmatic information should be directed to the contact persons identified below for each category covered by this notice. Requests for information concerning business management issues should be directed to: Sandra Perry, Grants Management Officer (GMO), Maternal and Child Health Bureau, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 18-12, Rockville, Maryland 20857, telephone: 301-443-1440.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Program Background and Objectives

Section 502 of the Social Security Act, as amended by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA) of 1989, requires that 12.75 percent of amounts appropriated for the Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant in excess of \$600 million are set aside by the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) for special Community Integrated Service Systems (CISS) projects authorized under Section 501(a)(3) of the Act. Of the remainder of the total appropriation, Section 502(a) of the Act requires that 15 percent of the funds be retained by the Secretary to support (through grants, contracts, or otherwise) special projects of regional and national significance, research, and training with respect to maternal and child health and children with special health care needs (including early intervention training and services development); for genetic disease testing, counseling, and information development and dissemination programs; for grants (including funding for comprehensive hemophilia diagnostic treatment centers) relating to hemophilia without regard to age; and for the screening of newborns for sickle cell anemia, and

other genetic disorders and follow-up services. The MCH SPRANS set-aside was established in 1981. Support for projects covered by this announcement will come from the SPRANS set-aside.

Availability of FY 1997 funds for MCH research and training grants is being announced separately from other SPRANS grants this year in order to help potential applicants distinguish among large numbers of SPRANS categories and subcategories.

The research and training grants covered in this notice are intended to improve the health status of mothers and children. Research programs focus on the development of new knowledge for application in health care promotion and prevention efforts directed at pregnant women, women of childbearing age, infants, children, adolescents, and children with special health care needs and their families. Findings are expected to have potential for application in health care delivery programs for mothers and children.

Training programs focus on development of professionals for leadership roles, in combination with advanced professional preparation. Training is intended to accomplish the dual objectives of developing high levels of clinical competence and developing leadership attributes which extend beyond clinical acumen and skills. To achieve the latter objective, emphasis is placed on those curriculum and practicum areas which relate to: populations rather than individuals; systems of care rather than specific services; community-based services rather than institution-based; program administration in addition to clinical expertise; public policy in addition to practice policy; and research in addition to putting new knowledge into practice. With an understanding of and appreciation for these broader issues and aspects of health care, professionals are more adequately prepared to deliver care and to provide leadership in advancing the field to better serve mothers and children.

“Continuing Education and Development”, or “CED”, includes: (1) Conduct of short-term, non-degree related courses, workshops, conferences, symposia, institutes, and distance learning strategies; and/or (2) development of curricula, guidelines,

standards of practice and educational tools/strategies intended to assure quality health care for the MCH population. Continuing Education and Development focuses on increasing leadership skills of MCH health professionals; facilitating timely transfer and application of new information, research findings, and technology related to MCH; and updating and improving the knowledge and skills of health and related professionals in programs serving mothers and children, including children with special health care needs (CSHCN). As a result of CED, professionals in MCH and related services have enhanced leadership capabilities and practices to provide for comprehensive services and to improve the systems that deliver services for mothers and children.

Eligible Applicants

MCH training grants may be made only to public or nonprofit private institutions of higher learning. Research grants may be made only to public or nonprofit private institutions of higher learning and public or nonprofit private agencies and organizations engaged in research in maternal and child health or programs for CSHCN. As noted in the FUNDING CATEGORIES section below, based on the subject matter of particular categories or subcategories, applications may be encouraged from applicants with a specified area of expertise.

Funding Categories

Three categories of SPRANS research and training grants are open for competition in FY 1997: MCH Long Term Training, MCH Short Term Training (Continuing Education and Development), and MCH Research.

Category 1: MCH Long Term Training

- Subcategory 1.1: Adolescent Health (CFDA #93.110TA)
- Narrative Description of this Competition: The purpose of this competition is to provide interdisciplinary leadership training for several professional disciplines at the graduate and postgraduate levels to prepare them for leadership roles in training for, research on, and development of organized systems for delivery of services in programs providing adolescent health care.

- Estimated Amount of this Competition: \$2.2 million.
- Number of Expected Awards: up to 6.
- Funding Priorities and/or Preferences: Applications are encouraged from Departments of Pediatrics and Internal Medicine of accredited U.S. Medical Schools, or certain pediatric teaching hospitals having formal affiliations with schools of medicine.
 - Evaluation Criteria: See CRITERIA FOR REVIEW. Application guidance materials specify final criteria.
 - Application Deadline: March 21, 1997.
 - Contact Person: Elizabeth Brannon, M.S., R.D., telephone: 301-443-2190.
- Subcategory 1.2: Behavioral Pediatrics (CFDA #93.110TB)
 - Narrative Description of this Competition: The purpose of this competition is to enhance behavioral, psychosocial and developmental aspects of general pediatric care through support for fellows in behavioral pediatrics preparing for leadership roles as teachers, investigators, and clinicians advancing the field of behavioral pediatrics and through providing pediatric practitioners, residents, and medical students with essential biopsychosocial knowledge and clinical expertise.
 - Estimated Amount of this Competition: \$ 1 million.
 - Number of Expected Awards: up to 8.
 - Funding Priorities and/or Preferences: Applications are encouraged from departments of pediatrics with an identifiable behavioral pediatrics unit/program within accredited medical schools in the United States.
 - Evaluation Criteria: See CRITERIA FOR REVIEW. Application guidance materials specify final criteria.
 - Application Deadline: March 21, 1997.
 - Contact Person: Elizabeth Brannon, M.S., R.D., telephone: 301-443-2190.
 - Subcategory 1.3: Communication Disorders (CFDA #93.110TC)
 - Narrative Description of this Competition: The purpose of this competition is to provide leadership in communication disorders education through support of: (1) Graduate training of speech/language pathologists and/or audiologists to assume leadership roles in programs providing health and related services for populations of children, particularly those with special health care needs; (2) development and dissemination of curriculum resources to enhance pediatric content in communication disorders training programs; and (3) consultation, technical assistance and continuing education in communication disorders geared to the needs of the MCH community.
 - Estimated Amount of this Competition: \$400,000.
 - Number of Expected Awards: up to 3.
 - Funding Priorities and/or Preferences: Applications are encouraged from departments or programs of audiology, communication disorders or speech and language pathology in institutions of higher learning that offer a graduate degree and are accredited for graduate education by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Council on Academic Accreditation.
 - Evaluation Criteria: See CRITERIA FOR REVIEW.
 - Application guidance materials specify final criteria.
 - Application Deadline: March 14, 1997.
 - Contact Person: Elizabeth Brannon, M.S., R.D., telephone: 301-443-2190.
 - Subcategory 1.4: Pediatric Dentistry (CFDA #93.110TG)
 - Narrative Description of this Competition: The purpose of this competition is to provide leadership in pediatric dentistry education through support of: (1) postdoctoral training of dentists in the primary care specialty of pediatric dentistry to assume leadership roles related to oral health programs for populations of children, particularly those with special health care needs; (2) development and dissemination of curriculum resources to enhance pediatric content in dentistry training programs; and (3) consultation, technical assistance and continuing education in pediatric dentistry geared to the needs of the MCH community.
 - Estimated Amount of this Competition: \$400,000.
 - Number of Expected Awards: up to 3.
 - Funding Priorities and/or Preferences: Applications are encouraged from advanced education programs in pediatric dentistry accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) at institutions which offer graduate degrees at the Master's level and above.
 - Evaluation Criteria: See CRITERIA FOR REVIEW. Application guidance materials specify final criteria.
 - Application Deadline: March 14, 1997.
 - Contact Person: Elizabeth Brannon, M.S., R.D., telephone: 301-443-2190.
 - Subcategory 1.5: Pediatric Occupational Therapy (CFDA #93.110TH)
 - Narrative Description of this Competition: The purpose of this competition is to provide leadership in pediatric occupational therapy training through support of: (1) post-professional graduate training of occupational therapists for leadership roles in programs providing health and related services for populations of mothers and children, particularly those with special health care needs; (2) development and dissemination of curriculum resources to enhance pediatric content in occupational therapy training programs; and (3) consultation, technical assistance and continuing education in occupational therapy geared to the needs of the MCH community.
 - Estimated Amount of this Competition: \$400,000.
 - Number of Expected Awards: up to 3.
 - Funding Priorities and/or Preferences: Applications are encouraged from schools or departments of occupational therapy accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE). Preference will be given to schools/departments with an established doctoral program with a pediatric focus or which are developing such a doctoral program.
 - Evaluation Criteria: See CRITERIA FOR REVIEW. Application guidance materials specify final criteria.
 - Application Deadline: March 14, 1997.
 - Contact Person: Elizabeth Brannon, M.S., R.D., telephone: 301-443-2190.
 - Subcategory 1.6: Pediatric Physical Therapy (CFDA #93.110TI)
 - Narrative Description of this Competition: The purpose of this competition is to provide leadership in pediatric physical therapy education through support of: (1) post-professional graduate training of physical therapists for leadership roles in programs providing health and related services for populations of mothers and children, particularly those with special health care needs; (2) development and dissemination of curriculum resources to enhance pediatric content in physical therapy training programs; and (3) consultation, technical assistance and continuing education in pediatric physical therapy geared to the needs of the MCH community.
 - Estimated Amount of this Competition: \$400,000.
 - Number of Expected Awards: up to 3.
 - Funding Priorities and/or Preferences: Applications are encouraged from post-professional-level graduate degree programs for physical therapists. Preference will be given to

established doctoral programs with a pediatric focus or to advanced masters programs with a pediatric focus which are developing such a doctoral program.

- Evaluation Criteria: See CRITERIA FOR REVIEW. Application guidance materials specify final criteria.

- Application Deadline: March 14, 1997.

- Contact Person: Elizabeth Brannon, M.S., R.D., telephone: 301-443-2190.

- Subcategory 1.7: Public Health Social Work (CFDA 193.110TL)

- Narrative Description of this Competition: The purpose of this competition is to provide leadership in public health social work education through support of:

- (1) graduate training of social workers for leadership roles in programs providing health and related services for populations of mothers and children, including those with special health care needs;
- (2) development and dissemination of curriculum resources to enhance MCH content in social work training programs; and
- (3) consultation, technical assistance and continuing education in public health social work geared to the needs of the MCH community. Category A programs provide a master's degree in social work, while category B programs provide a Master's degree in public health following the MSW or combined with a doctoral degree in social work.

- Estimated Amount of this

Competition: \$400,000.

- Number of Expected Awards: up to 2 in Category A; 1 in Category B.

- Funding Priorities and/or Preferences: For Category A grants, applications are encouraged from graduate programs of social work with a Master's Degree program which is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), and which have a concentration in health. For Category B grants, applications are encouraged from graduate schools of public health accredited by the Council on Education in Public Health (CEPH), or schools of social work (accredited by CSWE) offering a university-approved post-MSW program in public health social work leading to the MPH or combined MPH and PhD/DSW. The two programs must have a formal affiliation.

- Evaluation Criteria: See CRITERIA FOR REVIEW. Application guidance materials specify final criteria.

- Application Deadline: March 14, 1997.

- Contact Person: Elizabeth Brannon, M.S., R.D., telephone: 301-443-2190.

Category 2: MCH Short Term Training

- Continuing Education and Development (CFDA 193.110.TO)

- Narrative Description of this Competition: The purpose of this competition is to facilitate timely transfer and application of new information, research findings, and technology related to MCH through: (1) conduct of short-term, non-degree related courses, workshops, conferences, symposia, institutes, and distance learning strategies and/or; (2) development of curricula, guidelines, standards of practice or educational tools/strategies intended to assure quality health care for the MCH population. The goal is to improve the health status of the MCH population through enhancing the leadership capabilities and practices of professionals in MCH and related services and through modifying the systems that deliver services.

- Eligible Organizations: Applicants may be public or nonprofit private institutions of higher learning.

- Estimated Amount of this

Competition: \$1 million.

- Number of Expected Awards: Up to 15.

- Evaluation Criteria: See CRITERIA FOR REVIEW. Application guidance materials specify final criteria.

- Application Deadline: July 1, 1997.

- Contact Person: Elizabeth Brannon, M.S., R.D., telephone: 301-443-2190.

Category 3: MCH Research

- Narrative Description of this Competition: This category encourages research in maternal and child health which has the potential for ready transfer of findings to health care delivery programs. Of special interest are projects that address factors and processes that lead to disparities in health status and the use of services among minority and other disadvantaged groups as well as health promoting behaviors, quality outcome measures, and system/integration reform. Effective for the August 1, 1997, competition, a comprehensive research agenda or plan is available to guide prospective research applicants. The agenda is composed of a list of research issues or questions identified by a national advisory group in 1994 to be of critical importance for the mission of the MCHB as it enters the year 2000 and beyond. A copy of the agenda is included with the application kit for research projects.

- Estimated Amount of this

Competition: \$1.9 million.

- Number of Expected Awards: Up to 12.

- Funding Priorities and/or Preferences: Within the issues/questions comprising the research agenda, preference for funding will be given to

projects which: (1) Seek to develop measures of racism and/or study its consequences for the health of mothers and children; (2) investigate the role that fathers play in caring for and nurturing the health, growth, and development of children; and (3) address the factors and processes that enhance the quality, safety, access, and effectiveness of health care services provided to mothers and newborns, especially in light of the impact of managed care.

- Evaluation Criteria: See CRITERIA FOR REVIEW. Application guidance materials specify final criteria.

- Application Deadlines: March 1 and August 1, 1997.

- Contact Person: Gontran Lamberty, Dr. P.H., telephone: 301-553-2190.

Special Concerns

In keeping with the goals of advancing the development of human potential, strengthening the Nation's capacity to provide high quality education by broadening participation in MCHB programs of institutions that may have perspectives uniquely reflecting the Nation's cultural and linguistic diversity, and increasing opportunities for all Americans to participate in and benefit from Federal public health programs, HRSA will place a funding priority on projects from Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) or Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI) in all categories in this notice for which applications from academic institutions are encouraged. This is in conformity with the Federal Government's policies in support of White House Initiatives on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (Executive Order 12876) and Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans (Executive Order 12900). An approved proposal from a HBCU or HSI will receive a 0.5 point favorable adjustment of the priority score in a 4 point range before funding decisions are made.

Evaluation Protocol

Maternal and child health discretionary grant projects, including all projects awarded as part of the MCH Research and Training program, are expected to incorporate a carefully designed and well planned evaluation protocol capable of demonstrating and documenting measurable progress toward achieving the project's stated goals. The protocol should be based on a clear rationale relating the grant activities, the project goals, and the evaluation measures. Wherever possible, the measurements of progress toward goals should focus on health

outcome indicators, rather than on intermediate measures such as process or outputs. A project lacking a complete and well-conceived evaluation protocol as part of the planned activities may not be funded.

Project Review and Funding

Within the limit of funds determined by the Secretary to be available for the activities described in this announcement, the Secretary will review applications for funds under the specific project categories in the FUNDING CATEGORIES section above as competing applications and may award Federal funding for projects which will, in her judgment, best promote the purpose of title V of the Social Security Act; best address achievement of Healthy Children 2000 objectives related to maternal, infant, child and adolescent health and service systems for children at risk of chronic and disabling conditions; and otherwise best promote improvements in maternal and child health.

Criteria for Review

The criteria which follow are used, as pertinent, to review and evaluate applications for awards under all SPRANS grants and cooperative agreement project categories announced in this notice. Further guidance regarding review criteria is supplied in application materials, which specify final criteria.

- The quality of the project plan or methodology.
- The need for the research or training.
- The extent to which the project will contribute to the advancement of maternal and child health and/or improvement of the health of children with special health care needs;
- The extent to which the project is responsive to policy concerns applicable to MCH grants and to program objectives, requirements, priorities and/or review criteria for specific project categories, as published in program announcements or guidance materials.
- The extent to which the estimated cost to the Government of the project is reasonable, considering the anticipated results.
- The extent to which the project personnel are well qualified by training and/or experience for their roles in the project and the applicant organization has adequate facilities and personnel.
- The extent to which, insofar as practicable, the proposed activities, if well executed, are capable of attaining project objectives.

—The adherence of the project's evaluation plans to the requirements in the EVALUATION PROTOCOL.

—The extent to which the project will be integrated with the administration of the Maternal and Child Health Services block grants, State primary care plans, public health, and prevention programs, and other related programs in the respective State(s).

—The extent to which the application is responsive to the special concerns and program priorities specified in this notice.

Funding of Approved Applications

Final funding decisions for SPRANS research and training grants are the responsibility of the Director, MCHB. In considering scores for the ranking of approved applications for funding, preferences may be exercised for groups of applications, e.g., competing continuations may be funded ahead of new projects. Within any category of approved projects, the score of an individual project may be favorably adjusted if the project addresses specific priorities identified in this notice. In addition, special consideration in assigning scores may be given by reviewers to individual applications that address areas identified in this notice as special concerns.

Public Health System Reporting Requirements

This program is subject to the Public Health System Reporting Requirements (approved under OMB No. 0937-0195). Under these requirements, the community-based nongovernmental applicant must prepare and submit a Public Health System Impact Statement (PHSIS). The PHSIS is intended to provide information to State and local health officials to keep them apprised of proposed health services grant applications submitted by community-based nongovernmental organizations within their jurisdictions. Community-based nongovernmental applicants are required to submit the following information to the head of the appropriate State and local health agencies in the area(s) to be impacted no later than the Federal application receipt due date:

- (a) A copy of the face page of the application (SF 525).
- (b) A summary of the project (PHSIS), not to exceed one page, which provides:
 - (1) A description of the population to be served.
 - (2) A summary of the services to be provided.

(3) A description of the coordination planned with the appropriate State and local health agencies.

Executive Order 12372

The MCH Federal set-aside program has been determined to be a program which is not subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372 concerning intergovernmental review of Federal programs.

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Ciro V. Sumaya,
Administrator.

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National Institutes of Health

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; "Infant Sleep Position and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) Risk" Study

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), 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 was previously published in the Federal Register on January 29, 1996, page 2836 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 NIH 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: "Infant Sleep Position and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) Risk" Study. *Type of Information Collection Request:* New. *Need and Use of Information Collection:* This study is a population-based case-control study of infant sleeping position in relation to the risk of SIDS to be conducted in 11 counties of California. The primary objectives of the study are to 1) determine the risk of SIDS associated with sleeping in the prone or side positions relative to the supine position; 2) identify any factors that exacerbate the association of sleeping position with the risk of SIDS; and 3) to establish baseline information on the prevalence