

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; Proposed Data Collection Available for Public Comment and Recommendation; Pilot Study for the Johnston County ADHD Study: Environmental, Reproductive and Familial Risk Factors for Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call the NIEHS Project Clearance Liaison, at (919) 541-5047.

Comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

This notice regards a request for emergency OMB processing for a pilot study for a proposed project: Pilot Study for the Johnston County ADHD Study: Environmental, Reproductive and Familial Risk Factors for Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.13 of the OMB guidelines. We are requesting for OMB clearance by May 29, 1997. Use of normal clearance procedures is reasonably likely to prevent or disrupt the collection of information for this pilot study. We intend to submit a regular OMB request for the full study in October 1997, in anticipation for beginning data collection for the study in February 1998.

New—Proposed Project: Pilot Study for the Johnston County ADHD Study:

Environmental, Reproductive and Familial Risk Factors for Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder. For the pretest we plan to collect data from 18 classes. Teachers will use a brief symptom checklist to screen all the children in their class; 360 children will be screened in all. We will conduct telephone interviews with the mothers of children identified as possible cases and a 15% random sample of control children. If children meet DSM-IV criteria for ADHD after both screens they will be considered cases. For the pretest, we expect there will be 15 cases and 35 controls. The primary hypotheses of the study are that preterm delivery and other reproductive risk factors increase risk of ADHD and childhood lead exposure increases risk of ADHD. The data collected in the pretest will allow us to evaluate subject recruitment procedures, evaluate data collection procedures, and provide initial estimates of the prevalence of ADHD in this population which will help us estimate the statistical power of the study more accurately and make adaptations to our design if necessary.

Type of respondents	Estimated Number of respondents	Estimated Number of responses	Average Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Estimated total burden hours
Teachers	18	522	29	.18	94
Mothers/guardians	63	189	3	.53	100

Total Yearly Burden: 194 hours.

Direct Comments to OMB: Please send written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, as soon as possible to the Office of Management, Office of Regulatory Affairs, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for NIH.

Dated: April 22, 1997.

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Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as

amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the meeting of the following Special Programs Emphasis Panel of the Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health.

The meeting will be open to the public to provide a forum in which individuals from Government, industry, and voluntary health organizations work together to prepare a report on steps to coordinate rare disease research programs within existing research funds and resources. This report will be submitted to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

A portion of the meeting on May 28 will be available for public comment. Anyone who would like to provide comments at this meeting should contact the Executive Secretary (Contact Person) of the Advisory Group on the Coordination of Rare Diseases Research.

Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should

inform the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

Name of Panel: Advisory Group on the Coordination of Rare Diseases Research
Dates of Meeting: May 27-28, 1997
Time of Meeting: May 27—1:00 p.m. May 28—8:30 a.m.

Place of Meeting: May 27—Wilson Hall, Shannon Building, National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Maryland 20892; May 28—Hyatt Regency Hotel, 1 Bethesda Metro Center, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

Agenda: To identify the following:

- Existing approaches, barriers, and novel methods of research planning, coordination, and collaboration of research initiatives;
- Strategies that will remove existing barriers to the coordination of research;
- Methods that have been particularly effective in bridging the gap between basic and applied or clinical research;
- The extent of co-funding or sharing of research resources in the public and private sectors (What mechanisms could be utilized to foster more co-funded research projects?); and
- Innovative mechanisms to stimulate the coordination of research on rare diseases.