

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: February 11, 1999.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Associate Secretary of the Board.*

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## GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Center of Excellence for Information Technology (CEIT)

**AGENCY:** Office of Information Technology, GSA.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for approval of a new information collection entitled Center of Excellence for Information Technology (CEIT).

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Office of Acquisition Policy has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve a new information collection concerning Center of Excellence for Information Technology (CEIT).

**DATES:** Comment Due Date: April 19, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: Marjorie Ashby, General Services Administration (MVP), 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pat Smith, Office of Information Technology, (202) 501-0837.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Purpose.

The GSA is requesting the Office of Management and Budget to approve a new information collection concerning Center of Excellence for Information Technology (CEIT). The Center of

Excellence in Information Technology (CEIT) will serve as a clearinghouse for best practices in information technology applications in both the public and private sectors. Current plans are to partner with leading Information Technology (IT) industry companies to establish a Center that provides innovative demonstrations of technology at work. Initial IT applications featured in the CEIT will focus on the use of web-enabled technologies to perform administrative functions and to deliver interagency transaction-based services through an Access America Seniors website.

##### B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 400; annual responses: 400; average hours per response: .15; burden hours: 60

##### Copy of Proposal

A copy of this proposal may be obtained from the GSA Acquisition Policy Division (MVP), Room 4011, GSA Building, 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405, or by telephoning (202) 501-3822, or by faxing your request to (202) 501-3341.

Dated: February 5, 1999.

**Edward C. Loeb,**

*Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy.*

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## GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Access Certificates for Electronic Services (ACES) Program

**AGENCY:** Federal Technology Service, GSA.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for approval of a new information collection entitled Access Certificates for Electronic Services (ACES) Program.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Technology Service (FTS) is publishing a summary of a proposed new information collection activity for public and agency comment. The proposed information collection activity is designed to support a new FTS program entitled Access Certificates for Electronic Services (ACES). The ACES Program is intended to facilitate and promote secure electronic communications between on-line automated information technology application systems authorized by law to participate in the

ACES Program and users who elect to participate in the program, through the implementation and operation of digital signature certificate technologies. Individual digital signature certificates will be issued at no cost to individuals based upon their presentation of verifiable proof of identity to an authorized ACES Registration Authority. Business Representative digital signature certificates will be issued to individuals based upon their presentation of verifiable proof of identity and verifiable proof of authority from the claimed entity to an authorized ACES Registration Authority. If authorized by law, a fee may be charged for issuance of a Business Representative certificate. The information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on December 7, 1999 at 63 FR 67484, allowing for a 60-day comment period. No comments were received.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before March 18, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: Edward Springer, GSA Desk Officer, Room 3235, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and may also be addressed to Stanley Choffrey, General Services Administration, Federal Technology Service, Office of Information Security, Room 5060, 7th and D Streets, SW, Washington, DC 20407.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stanley Choffrey, General Services Administration, Federal Technology Service, Office of Information Security at (202) 708-7943, or by e-mail to [stanley.choffrey@gsa.gov](mailto:stanley.choffrey@gsa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Purpose

The purpose of this Notice is to consult with and solicit comments from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information under the ACES Program in order to:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of GSA, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate 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) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond.

Comments relating to any additional aspects and features of the ACES Program are also welcomed, and will be carefully considered.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Respondents: 1,000,000; annual responses: 1,000,000; average hours per response: .15; burden hours: 250,000.

**Copy of Proposal**

A copy of this proposal may be obtained by contacting Stanley Choffrey at the above address.

Dated: February 9, 1999.  
**Edward C. Loeb,**  
*Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Notice of a Meeting of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC)**

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

amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is given of a meeting of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission. The Commission will address (1) research involving human embryonic stem cells and (2) the use of human biological materials in research. Some Commission members may participate by telephone conference. The meeting is open to the public and opportunities for statements by the public will be provided on March 2, 1999 from 11:30 am to 12 noon.

Dates/times	Location
March 2, 1999, 8:00 am-5:30 pm .....	Junior Ballroom, Sheraton Premiere at Tyson's Corner, Virginia, 8661 Leesburg Pike, Vienna, Virginia 22182.
March 3, 1999, 8:00 am-12 noon .....	Same Location as Above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The President established the National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) on October 3, 1995 by Executive Order 12975 as amended. The mission of the NBAC is to advise and make recommendations to the National Science and Technology Council, its Chair, the President, and other entities on bioethical issues arising from the research on human biology and behavior, and from the applications of that research.

**Public Participation**

The meeting is open to the public with attendance limited by the availability of space on a first come, first serve basis. Members of the public who wish to present oral statements should contact Ms. Patricia Norris by telephone, fax machine, or mail as shown below and as soon as possible at least 4 days before the meeting. The Chair will reserve time for presentations by persons requesting to speak and asks that oral statements be limited to five minutes. The order of persons wanting to make a statement will be assigned in the order in which requests are received. Individuals unable to make oral presentations can mail or fax their written comments to the NBAC staff office at least five business days prior to the meeting for distribution to the Commission and inclusion in the public record. The Commission also accepts general comments at its website at bioethics.gov. Persons needing special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other special accommodations, should contact NBAC staff at the address or telephone number listed below as soon as possible.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Patricia Norris, National Bioethics Advisory Commission, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Suite 5B01, Rockville, Maryland 20892-7508, telephone 301-402-4242, fax number 301-480-6900.

Dated: February 9, 1999.  
**Eric M. Meslin,**  
*Executive Director, National Bioethics Advisory Commission.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Agency for Health Care Policy and Research Special Emphasis Panel Meeting**

In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), announcement is made of the following special emphasis panel scheduled to meet during the month of March 1999:

*Name:* Health Care Policy and Research Special Emphasis Panel.  
*Date and Time:* March 19, 1999, 2:00 p.m.  
*Place:* Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, 2101 E. Jefferson Street, Suite 400, Rockville, MD 20852.  
 Open March 19, 1999, 2:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.  
 Closed for remainder of meeting.  
*Purpose:* to review and evaluate grant applications.  
*Agenda:* the open session of the meeting will be devoted to a business meeting covering administrative matters. During the closed session, the panel will be reviewing and discussing grant applications dealing with health services research issues. In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, section 10(d) of 5 U.S.C.,

Appendix 2 and 5 U.S.C., 552b(c)(6), the Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR), has made a formal determination that this latter session will be closed because the discussions are likely to reveal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications. This information is exempt from mandatory disclosure.

Anyone wishing to obtain a roster of members or other relevant information should contact Jenny Griffith, Committee Management Officer, Office of Research Review, Education, and Policy, AHCPR, Suite 400, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Rockville, Maryland 20852, Telephone (301) 594-1847.

Agenda items for this meeting are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Dated: February 8, 1999.  
**John M. Eisenberg,**  
*Administrator.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

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**Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations**

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 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the