

Signed at Washington, DC, this 7th day of April, 1999.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR-99-2]

Strategic Partnership for Worker Safety and Health

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice; proposed information collection request; submitted for public comment and recommendations.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, is conducting a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA 95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is soliciting comments concerning the approval for the paperwork requirements for participation in OSHA Strategic Partnerships for Worker Safety and Health.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 28, 1999.

Comments should:

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

Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including their validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

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, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

ADDRESSES: Comments are to be submitted to the Docket Office, Docket ICR-99-2, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210, (202) 693-2350. Written comments limited to 10 pages or less may be transmitted by facsimile to (202) 693-1648.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Cathy Oliver, Directorate of Federal-State Operations, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N3700, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210, (202) 693-2208. Copies of the reference information collection requests are available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office and will be mailed immediately to persons who request copies by telephoning Ms. Oliver at (202) 693-2213 or B. Bielaski at (202) 693-2444. For electronic copies of the information collection request on Strategic Partnerships for Worker Safety and Health, contact OSHA's Web Page on Internet at <http://www.osha.gov> and click on "Regulations and Compliance."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) will be requesting approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for certain information collection requirements contained in its procedures for Strategic Partnerships for Worker Safety and Health. This notice initiates the process for OSHA to request an OMB approval.

As part of OMB's and OSHA's continuing paperwork reduction effort, OSHA seeks to reduce that paperwork burden hours in the Strategic Partnerships for Worker Safety and Health based on input from parties. The purpose of this notice is to solicit public comment on OSHA's paperwork burden estimates from those interested parties and to seek public response to several questions related to the development of OSHA's estimates. Interested parties are requested to review OSHA's estimates, which are based on information from historical data, to comment on their accuracy or appropriateness in today's workplace situation.

Current Action

This notice requests public comment on OSHA's burden hour estimates prior to OSHA seeking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the information collection (paperwork) requirements of the Strategic Partnerships for Worker Safety and Health.

Type of Review: New Collection.

Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor.

Title: Strategic Partnerships for Worker Safety and Health.

OMB Number: 1218-0NEW.

Agency Number: Docket No. ICR-99-2.

Affected Public: Business.

Total Respondents: 25 partnerships per year affecting approximately 500 employers.

Frequency: On occasion.

Total Responses: 1,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 29.72 hours per year.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 14,860 hours per year.

Estimated annualized capital/startup costs: \$0

Estimated annual costs (operating and maintenance): \$0.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Signed this 21st Day of April, 1999.

Charles N. Jeffress,

Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

Medical Child Support Working Group

AGENCY: Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), notice is given of the third meeting of the Medical Child Support Working Group (MCSWG). The Medical Child Support Working Group was jointly established by the Secretaries of the Department of Labor (DOL) and the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) under section 401(a) of the Child Support Performance and Incentive Act of 1998. The purpose of the MCSWG is to identify the

impediments to the effective enforcement of medical support by State child support enforcement agencies, and to submit to the Secretaries of DOL and DHHS a report containing recommendations for appropriate measures to address those impediments.

DATES: The meeting of the MCSWG will be held on Wednesday, May 12, 1999, and Thursday, May 13, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the GSA Training Center, 490 L'Enfant Promenade North, 9th and D Streets, SW, 3rd Floor Room B, Washington, DC. All interested parties are invited to attend this public meeting. Seating may be limited and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Persons needing special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other special accommodation, should contact the Executive Director of the Medical Child Support Working Group, Office of Child Support Enforcement at the address listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Samara Weinstein, Executive Director, Medical Child Support Working Group, Office of Child Support Enforcement, Fourth Floor East, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW, Washington, DC 20447 (telephone (202) 401-6953; fax (202) 401-5559; e-mail: sweinstein@acf.dhhs.gov). These are not toll-free numbers. The date, location and time for subsequent MCSWG meetings will be announced in advance in the **Federal Register**.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2) (FACA), notice is given of a meeting of the Medical Child Support Working Group (MCSWG). The Medical Child Support Working Group was jointly established by the Secretaries of the Department of Labor (DOL) and the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) under section 401(a) of the Child Support Performance and Incentive Act of 1998 (P.L. 105-200).

The purpose of the MCSWG is to identify the impediments to the effective enforcement of medical support by State child support enforcement agencies, and to submit to the Secretaries of DOL and DHHS a report containing recommendations for appropriate measures to address those impediments. This report will include: (1) Recommendations based on assessments of the form and content of the National Medical Support Notice, as issued under interim regulations; (2) appropriate measures that establish the priority of withholding of child support

obligations, medical support obligations, arrearages in such obligations, and in the case of a medical support obligation, the employee's portion of any health care coverage premium, by such State agencies in light of the restrictions on garnishment provided under title III of the Consumer Credit Protection Act (15 U.S.C. 1671-1677); (3) appropriate procedures for coordinating the provision, enforcement, and transition of health care coverage under the State programs for child support, Medicaid and the Child Health Insurance Program; (4) appropriate measures to improve the availability of alternate types of medical support that are aside from health care coverage offered through the noncustodial parent's health plan, and unrelated to the noncustodial parent's employer, including measures that establish a noncustodial parent's responsibility to share the cost of premiums, co-payments, deductibles, or payments for services not covered under a child's existing health coverage; (5) recommendations on whether reasonable cost should remain a consideration under section 452(f) of the Social Security Act; and (6) appropriate measures for eliminating any other impediments to the effective enforcement of medical support orders that the MCSWG deems necessary.

The membership of the MCSWG was jointly appointed by the Secretaries of DOL and DHHS, and includes representatives of: (1) DOL; (2) DHHS; (3) State Child Support Enforcement Directors; (4) State Medicaid Directors; (5) employers, including owners of small businesses and their trade and industry representatives and certified human resource and payroll professionals; (6) plan administrators and plan sponsors of group health plans (as defined in section 607(1) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1167(1))); (7) children potentially eligible for medical support, such as child advocacy organizations; (8) State medical child support organizations; and (9) organizations representing State child support programs.

Agenda

The agenda for this meeting includes a discussion of the issues to be included in the MCSWG's report to the Secretaries containing recommendations for appropriate measures to address the impediments to the effective enforcement of medical child support as listed above.

Public Participation

Members of the public wishing to present oral statements to the MSCWG should forward their requests to Samara Weinstein, MCSWG Executive Director, as soon as possible and at least four days before the meeting. Such request should be made by telephone, fax machine, or mail, as shown above. Time permitting, the Chairs of the MCSWG will attempt to accommodate all such requests by reserving time for presentations. The order of persons making such presentations will be assigned in the order in which the requests are received. Members of the public are encouraged to limit oral statements to five minutes, but extended written statements may be submitted for the record. Members of the public also may submit written statements for distribution to the MCSWG membership and inclusion in the public record without presenting oral statements. Such written statements should be sent to the MCSWG Executive Director, as shown above, by mail or fax at least five business days before the meeting.

Minutes of all public meetings and other documents made available to the MCSWG will be available for public inspection and copying at both the DOL and DHHS. At DOL, these documents will be available at the Public Documents Room, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5638, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Questions regarding the availability of documents from DOL should be directed to Ms. Ellen Goodwin, Plan Benefits Security Division, Office of the Solicitor, Department of Labor (telephone (202) 219-4600, ext. 119). This is not a toll-free number. Any written comments on the minutes should be directed to Ms. Samara Weinstein, Executive Director of the Working Group, as shown above.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 21st day of April 1999.

Richard McGahey,

Assistant Secretary for Pension and Welfare Benefits.

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NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 2:00 p.m., Monday, May 3, 1999.