requirements, and certification that projects have been reviewed by the IRB.

Respondents: Individuals, Business or other for-profit, Non-profit institutions, Federal, State, Local or Tribal Governments.

Section of rule and description	Annual No. of responses	Hours per response	Total burden
.103(a), .103(b) and .103(c)—assurances and underlying written policies and procedures	2,100	40	84,000
.103(b)(3)—report change in IRB membership	250	.083	20
.103(b)(5)—report problems, terminations, suspensions	42	8	336
.103(f)—certification	26,600	.083	2,208
.103(b)(4)(i) and .109(d)—IRB disclosure of actions	38,000	1	38,000
.103(b)(4)(ii)—proposed changes reported to IRB	250	.083	20
.103(b)(5)—problems disclosed to IRB and institution	15	8	120
.113—notice of suspension of IRB approval	30	8	240
.116 and .117—informed consent	140,000	.25	35,000
.115(a)—IRB recordkeeping	23,000	1	23,000
Total			182,944

Proposed Project 3. Optional Form 310: Protection of Human Subjects Assurance Identification/IRB Certification/Declaration of Exemption—This form may be used by Federal agencies to implement the requirement of the Common Rule which requires that institutions submitting applications for Federal support of research involving human subjects submit certification of appropriate Institutional Review Board review and approval (Section _.103(f) of the Common Rule). The burden associated with this form is included in the table above.

Please send comments to Cynthia Agens Bauer, OS Reports Clearance Officer, Room 503H, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington DC, 20201. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: June 13, 2001.

Kerry Weems,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Budget.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services announces the following advisory committee meeting.

Name: National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS), Subcommittee on Standards and Security.

Time and Date: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., June 26, 2001.

Place: Renaissance Hotel, 999 9th Street, NW., Washington, DC, (202) 898–9000.

Status: Open.

Purpose: At this working session, the Subcommittee on Standards and Security will complete their assessment of the modifications to transaction standards and final rules recommended by the Designated Standards Maintenance Organizations, and of general industry HIPAA readiness. Recommendations to the Secretary will be drafted for full committee review.

Contact person for more information: Substantive program information as well as summaries of meetings and a roster of committee members may be obtained from J. Michael Fitzmaurice, Ph.D., Senior Science Advisor for Information Technology, Agency for Health Care Research and Quality, 2101 East Jefferson Street, #600, Rockville, MD 20852, phone: (301) 594–3938; or Marjorie S. Greensberg, Executive Secretary, NCVHS, National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Room 1100, Presidential Building, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone (301) 458–4245. Information also is available on the NCVHS home page of the HHS website: *http://www.ncvhs.hhs.gov/* where an agenda for the meeting will be posted when available.

Dated: June 7, 2001.

James Scanlon,

Director, Division of Data Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to allow a proposed information collection project: ''Primary Care Network Survey (PRINS)''. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act as amended (see in particular 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), AHRQ invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection request to allow AHRQ to conduct research in primary care settings.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by August 20, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to: Cynthia D. McMichael, Reports Clearance Officer, AHRQ, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Suite 500, Rockville, MD 20852–4908.

All comments will become a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia D. McMichael, AHRQ, Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 594–3132.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Primary Care Network Survey (PRINS)

As directed in its reauthorization legislation, AHRQ supports activities designed to improve the capacity of practice-based research networks (PBRNs) to conduct research in primary care settings. A PBRN is a group of ambulatory practices devoted principally to the primary care of patients, affiliated with each other in order to investigate questions related to community-based practice. AHRQ has recently established cooperative agreements with 19 PBRNs who have specifically been asked to conduct network-defining surveys using the 1999–2000 version of the National Ambulatory Medicare Care Survey (NAMCS) instrument (OMB No. 0920–0234). To distinguish data collected through the survey from NAMCS data collected from the nationally representative physician sample of the National Center for Health Statistics,