

- BB. Public Health Nutrition: Masters level only.
- CC. Radiologic Technology: Certificate, Associate, and B.S.
- DD. Respiratory Therapy: Associate.
- EE. X-Ray/Ultrasonography.

Interested individuals are reminded that the list of eligible health and allied health professions is effective for applicants for the 2002–2003 academic year. These priorities will remain in effect until superseded. Applicants for health and allied health professions not on the above priority list will be considered pending the availability of funds and dependent upon the availability of qualified applicants in the priority areas.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Periodically, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) will publish a list of information collection requests under OMB review, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of these documents, call the SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443–7978.

National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Clinical Validation Study of the Substance Dependence and Abuse Measures—(New)—The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s (SAMHSA) National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH), formerly the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse, is a survey of the civilian, noninstitutionalized population of the United States 12 years old and older. The data are used to determine the prevalence of use of tobacco products, alcohol, illicit substances, and illicit use of prescription drugs. The results are used by SAMHSA, the Office of National Drug Control Policy, other Federal government agencies, and other organizations and researchers to establish policy, direct program activities, and better allocate resources.

From 2001–2003, the NSDUH plans a two-phase Clinical Validation Study of Substance Dependence and Abuse Measures. Specific aims are to achieve the best overarching format, and the best wording and ordering for the assessment questions. The goal is quicker administration time, improved validity, and reduced respondent burden.

Half of all subject will be between 12 and 17, and half 18 years of age or older; subjects will be recruited from the Research Triangle and the Triad areas of North Carolina. In Phase 1, subjects, recruited through fliers and newspaper ads, will be asked (1) demographic information and (2) questions from two self-administered sections of the NSDUH questionnaire: questions about the quantity and frequency of use of drugs and alcohol, and questions about symptoms of substance dependence and abuse. A semi-structured clinical

interview will then be administered to these same subjects by a trained clinician to determine the presence or absence of substance dependence and abuse. The clinical instruments used to assess subjects will be the substance abuse modules from the Structured Clinical Interview for DSM–IV (SCID) (for adults) and the Kiddie Schedule for Affective Disorders and Schizophrenia (K–SADS) (for those between 12 and 17 years of age). The correspondence of the diagnosis of substance dependence and abuse between the clinical and survey interview will then be compared.

Information from Phase 1 will then be used to assess if a lack of correspondence exists between the clinical and survey measures. If there is a lack of sufficient correspondence, we will then examine reasons for any lack of correspondence, and make decisions about how to modify the NSDUH questions on substance dependence and abuse to achieve better correspondence. This information will then be used to develop a revised NSDUH substance dependence and abuse module.

In Phase 2, a second clinical validation study will be conducted using the same procedures as Phase 1. This will allow a determination of the correspondence (kappa) between the revised diagnosis obtained from the NSDUH substance dependence and abuse module and the diagnosis from the structured clinical interviews. Final revisions to the survey instrument will be made based on findings from Phase 2. All decisions about final revisions to the module will balance the need for correspondence across different groups. The following table summarizes the total burden associated with this two-year project.

	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Hours per response	Total burden hours
Phase I:				
Screener only	150	1	.08	12
Screener and Interview	345	1	1.5	518
Phase II:				
Screener only	300	1	.08	24
Screener and Interview	595	1	1.5	892
Total	1,390	1,446
Annual Average	695	723

Written comments and recommendations concerning the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of this notice to: Lauren Wittenberg, Human Resources and Housing Branch, Office of Management and Budget, New

Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

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