

Prevention (NCHSTP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background

CDC, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention proposes to continue data collection for the Resources and Services Database on CDC National Prevention Information Network (formerly known as the National AIDS Clearinghouse), previously approved under OMB No. 0920-0255. This request is for a 3-year reinstatement of clearance.

NCHSTP has the primary responsibility within the CDC and the U.S. Public Health Service for the prevention and control of HIV infection, sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), and tuberculosis (TB), including community-based HIV prevention activities and syphilis and TB elimination programs. To support NCHSTP's mission and to link Americans to prevention, education, and care services, the CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN) serves as the U.S. reference, referral, and distribution service for information on HIV/AIDS, STDs, and TB. NPIN is a critical member of the network of government agencies, community organizations, businesses, health professionals, educators, and human services providers that educate the American public about the grave threat to public health posed by HIV/AIDS, STDs, and TB, and provides services for persons infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

Established in 1988, the NPIN Resources and Services Database contains entries on approximately 19,000 organizations and is the most comprehensive listing of HIV/AIDS, STD and TB resources and services available throughout the country. This database describes national, state and local organizations that provide services related to HIV/AIDS, STDs, and TB such as counseling and testing, prevention, education and support services. The NPIN reference staff rely on the Resources and Services Database to respond to nearly 63,000 requests each year for information or referral from community based organizations, state and local health departments, and health professionals working in HIV/AIDS, STD and TB prevention. The CDC National AIDS and STD Hotline staff also use the NPIN Resources and Services Database to refer approximately one million callers yearly to local programs for information, services, and treatment. The American public can also access the NPIN Resources and Services database through the NPIN Web site. More than 12 million visits by the public to the Web site are recorded annually.

To accomplish CDC's goal of continuing efforts to maintain an up-to-date, comprehensive database, NPIN plans each year to add 100 newly identified organizations and to verify those organizations currently described in the NPIN Resources and Services Database each year. NPIN staff learn

about new organizations through exhibiting at health and professional meetings, searching the Internet, and perusing newsletter announcements and press releases. Once a new organization is identified as providing HIV/AIDS, STD or TB-related services, NPIN staff will mail the Resource Organization Questionnaire along with a cover letter. The purpose of the questionnaire is to gather information about the HIV/AIDS, STD or TB-related services available from the organization, what geographic area the organization serves, and the target audiences for these services. Each organization will also receive a stamped, self-addressed envelope for the return of the questionnaire. Organizations with access to the Internet, will be given the option to complete and submit an electronic version of the questionnaire by visiting the CDC NPIN Web site. If NPIN receives no response to the initial mailing of the questionnaire, a follow-up telephone call will be made to the organization requesting the organization to complete and return the questionnaire.

As part of the verification process for the Resources and Services Database, 40 percent of the organizations will receive a copy of their current database entry by electronic mail, including a cover letter and a list of instructions. The remaining 60 percent will receive a telephone call to review their database record. There is no cost to respondents.

Survey	Number of respondents	Number of responses/respondent	Avg. burden/response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Questionnaire Resource Organization	100	1	30/60	50
Questionnaire Telephone Follow-up	33	1	15/60	8.25
Email Verification	7,600	1	15/60	1900
Telephone verification	11,400	1	10/60	1900
Total	3858

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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 proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer on (404) 498-1210.

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. Send comments to Anne O'Connor, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D24, Atlanta, GA 30333. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project: Automated Management Information System (MIS) for Diabetes Control Programs—Extension—National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background

The National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has implemented a Management Information System (MIS) and federally sponsored data collection requirement from all CDC funded diabetes control programs. Diabetes is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States contributing to more than 200,000 deaths each year. An estimated 11.1 million people in the United States have been diagnosed with diabetes and an estimated 5.9 million people have undiagnosed diabetes. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Division of Diabetes Translation (DDT) provides funding to health departments of States and territories to develop, implement, and evaluate systems-based Diabetes Control Programs (DCPs). DCPs are population-

based, public health programs that design, implement and evaluate public health prevention and control strategies that improve access to and quality of care for all, and reach communities most impacted by the burden of diabetes (e.g., racial/ethnic populations, the elderly, rural dwellers and the economically disadvantaged). Support for these programs is a cornerstone of the DDT's strategy for reducing the burden of diabetes throughout the nation. The Diabetes Control Program is authorized under sections 301 and 317(k) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. sections 241 and 247b(k)).

In accordance with the original OMB approval (July 20, 2002), this extension will continue to expand and enhance the technical reporting capacity of the MIS. The MIS is a web-based, password access protected repository/technical reporting system that replaced an archaic paper reporting system. The MIS allows the accurate, uniform, and complete collection of diabetes program progress information using the Internet. The MIS has improved upon the old data collection system by:

- Improving accountability;
- Shortening the information cycle;
- Eliminating non-standard reporting;
- Minimizing unnecessary duplication of data collection and entry;
- Reducing the reporting burden on small state organizations;
- Using plain, coherent, and unambiguous terminology that is understandable to respondents;
- Implementing a consistent system for progress reporting and record-keeping processes;

- Identifying the retention periods for recordkeeping requirements;
- Utilizing modern information technology for data collection and transfer;
- Significantly reducing the amount of paper reports that diabetes control programs are required to submit.

The MIS has allowed CDC to more rapidly respond to outside inquiries concerning a specific diabetes control activity occurring in the state diabetes control programs. The data collection requirement has formalized the format and contents of diabetes data reported from the DCPs and provides an electronic means for efficient collection and transmission to the CDC headquarters.

The MIS has facilitated the staff's ability at CDC to fulfill its obligations under the cooperative agreements; to monitor, evaluate, and compare individual programs; and to assess and report aggregate information regarding the overall effectiveness of the DCP program. It has also supported DDT's broader mission of reducing the burden of diabetes by enabling DDT staff to more effectively identify the strengths and weaknesses of individual DCPs and to disseminate information related to successful public health interventions implemented by these organizations to prevent and control diabetes. Implementation of the MIS has provided for efficient collection of state-level diabetes program data. The cost to respondents is \$7,080.

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses/respondent	Average burden/response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
State Program Control Officers	59*	1	4	236
Total				236

*Respondents reside in each of the 50 States, 8 Territories, and the District of Columbia and provide progress reporting on an annual frequency.

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Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) publishes a list of information collection requests under review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with the

Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35). To request a copy of these requests, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer at (404) 498-1210. Send written comments to CDC, Desk Officer, Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

Proposed Project: Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) Program Reporting System. (OMB No. 0920-0556)—Extension—National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention