

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Comment Request

In compliance with the requirement for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects (section 3506(c)(2)(A) of title 44, United States Code, as amended by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) publishes periodic summaries of proposed projects being developed for submission to OMB under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and draft instruments, call the HRSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443-1129. 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.

Proposed Project: Impact of Accreditation on BPHC-Supported Community Health Centers—NEW

The Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC) has contracted with the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) for a period of three years from 2002 to 2005 to conduct comprehensive evaluations for selected BPHC-supported health centers that will encompass both a full Joint Commission accreditation survey and a review of specified governmental requirements relative to the Primary Care Effectiveness Review. Incorporated into this contract, is a research study that will examine the impact of JCAHO accreditation on BPHC-supported health centers. The reasons for conducting this study are twofold. First, in a March 2000 report, the GAO recommended to HRSA that they determine the cost effectiveness of Joint Commission accreditation and its ability to improve quality and competitiveness in community health centers (GAO/HEHS-00-39 community health centers). HRSA believes that this study will build on a 2002 report by Lewin and

Associates that examined the effectiveness of accreditation on a small number of health centers. Second, although considerable anecdotal information is available regarding changes that health centers have made to prepare for or maintain accreditation, this study is designed to provide a detailed examination of the number and type of activities that health centers are engaged in relative to quality of care and patient safety subsequent to becoming accredited.

This study is a descriptive assessment of the impact of accreditation on health centers relative to changes in their approach to quality of care and patient safety. It will assess the impact in a sample of Joint Commission accredited community health centers that include migrant health centers, school based health centers, health centers for the homeless and public housing health centers. This study aims to address two key questions: (a) What do health centers do differently as a result of preparing for and maintaining accreditation? and (b) How has accreditation strengthened health centers' approach to quality, patient safety and performance improvement? The assessment will be conducted by administering two mailed questionnaires to a sample of community health centers.

ESTIMATED BURDEN HOURS

| Survey | Number of respondents | Responses per respondent | Total responses | Hours per response | Total burden hours |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Accreditation: Changes in approach to quality and safety .. | 100 | 1 | 100 | .33 | 33 |
| Accreditation: Perception of Value | 100 | 4 | 400 | .25 | 100 |
| Total | 100 | | 500 | | 133 |

Send comments to Susan G. Queen, Ph.D., HRSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 14-45, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: February 14, 2003.

Jane M. Harrison,

Director, Division of Policy Review and Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines (ACCV); Notice of Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting. The meeting will be open to the public.

Name: Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines (ACCV).

Date and Time: March 5, 2003; 9 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

Place: Audio conference call, and Ramada Inn, 1775 Rockville Pike, Georgetown

Conference Room, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

The full ACCV will meet on Wednesday, March 5, from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. The public can join the meeting in person at the address listed above or by audio conference call by dialing 1-888-928-9122 on March 5 and providing the following information:

Leader's Name: Thomas E. Balbier, Jr.

Password: ACCV.

Agenda: The agenda items for March 5 will include, but are not limited to: A presentation on the Institute of Medicine's report "Potential Role of Vaccination in Sudden Unexplained Death in Infancy"; an overview of the *Stevens v. HHS* Decision; a discussion and application of a proposed alternative standard for the adjudication of off-Table claims; and updates from the Division of Vaccine Injury Compensation, the Department of Justice, and the National Vaccine Program Office. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Public Comments: Persons interested in providing an oral presentation should submit a written request, along with a copy of their presentation to: Ms. Cheryl Lee, Principal Staff Liaison, Division of Vaccine Injury Compensation, Office of Special Programs, Health Resources and Services Administration, Room 16C-17, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857 or by e-mail at clee@hrsa.gov. Requests should contain the name, address, telephone number, and any business or professional affiliation of the person desiring to make an oral presentation. Groups having similar interests are requested to combine their comments and present them through a single representative. The allocation of time may be adjusted to accommodate the level of expressed interest. The Division of Vaccine Injury Compensation will notify each presenter by mail or telephone of his/her assigned presentation time. Persons who do not file an advance request for a presentation, but desire to make an oral statement, may announce it at the time of the comment period on the audio conference call. These persons will be allocated time as time permits.

For Further Information Contact: Anyone requiring information regarding the ACCV should contact Ms. Cheryl Lee, Principal Staff Liaison, Division of Vaccine Injury Compensation, Office of Special Programs, Health Resources and Services Administration, Room 16C-17, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857, telephone (301) 443-2124 or e-mail: clee@hrsa.gov.

Dated: February 19, 2003.

Jane M. Harrison,

Director, Division of Policy Review and Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4815-N-06]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB: Request for Termination of Multifamily Mortgage Insurance

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* March 27, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval number (2502-0416) and should be sent to: Lauren Wittenberg, OMB Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; Fax number (202) 395-6974; E-mail Lauren_Wittenberg@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, AYO, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, Southwest, Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Wayne_Eddins@HUD.gov; telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of the proposed forms and other available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department has submitted the proposal for the collection of information, as described below, to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The Notice lists the following information: (1) The title of the information collection proposal; (2) the office of the agency to collect the information; (3) the OMB approval number, if applicable; (4) the description of the need for the information and its proposed use; (5) the agency form number, if applicable; (6) what members of the public will be affected by the proposal; (7) how frequently information submissions will be required; (8) an estimate of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information submission including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response; (9) whether the proposal is new, an extension, reinstatement, or revision of an information collection requirement; and (10) the name and telephone number of an agency official familiar with the proposal and of the OMB Desk Officer for the Department.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Request for Termination of Multifamily Mortgage Insurance.

OMB Approval Number: 2502-0416.

Form Numbers: HUD-9807.

Description of the Need for the Information and Its Proposed Use: Notification from mortgagor and mortgagee to HUD of mutual agreement of termination of HUD multifamily mortgage insurance.

Respondents: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency of Submission: On occasion.

| | Number of respondents | × | Annual responses | × | Hours per response | = | Burden hours |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---|------------------|---|--------------------|---|--------------|
| Reporting Burden | 1,400 | | 1 | | 0.125 | | 175 |

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 175.

Status: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended.

Dated: February 13, 2003.

Wayne Eddins,

Departmental Reports Management Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-610-03-1220-PA]

California Desert District Advisory Council; Call for Nominations

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Call for nominations for the Bureau of Land Management's California Desert District Advisory Council.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management's California Desert District is soliciting nominations from the public for five members of its District Advisory Council to serve the 2004-2006 three-year term. Council members provide advice and recommendations to BLM on the management of public lands in southern California. Public notice begins with the publication date of this notice. Nominations will be accepted through Saturday, August 30, 2003. The three-year term would begin January 1, 2004.