

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request; State- and Local-Level Questionnaire for Project on Collection of Marriage and Divorce Statistics at the National, State and Local Levels**

OMB No.: New Collection.

*Description:* The Administration for Children and Families and the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation in the Department of Health and Human Services propose a study to explore options for the collection of marriage and divorce statistics at the national, state and local levels. The project will include the administering of a questionnaire to state- and local-level officials involved in the reporting and compilation of marriage and divorce vital records.

*Respondents:* State and local governments, including court officials.  
*Annual Burden Estimates:*

Instrument	No. of respondents	No. of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Marriage/Divorce Vital Statistics Data Systems State-level Survey .....	50	1	1.17	58.50
Marriage/Divorce Vital Statistics Data Systems Local-Level Survey .....	195	1	0.92	179.40

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 237.90.

*Additional Information:* Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Administration, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. E-mail address: grjohnson@acf.hhs.gov.

*OMB Comment:* OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Attn: Desk Officer for ACF, E-mail address: Katherine@T.&\_Astrich@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: July 7, 2005.

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**Notice of Correction to Availability of Funds for the Projects To Establish Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS) State Partnership Grants**

**AGENCY:** Administration for Children and Families, ACF, DHHS.

*Funding Opportunity Title:* Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS) State Partnership Grants.

**ACTION:** Notice of correction.

*Funding Opportunity Number:* HHS-2005-ACF-OA-TA-0017.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to inform interested parties of changes made to the Funding Opportunity for Projects to Establish Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS) State Partnership Grants published on Monday, April 25, 2005, with a due date for applications of June 24, 2005, which is now extended until August 8, 2005.

1. The following changes are made to Section I, "Funding Opportunity Description":

a. There will be separate grants awarded to each Member and Partner State, such that a Member State will no longer have fiduciary responsibility for its Partner State [page 21222];

b. The following paragraph is struck: "After evaluation of all grant applications, and if chosen for an award, the Member state will be awarded a grant under which it will act as a fiduciary agent to the Partner state. The Member state will be responsible for all funding that is provided to its

Partner state and will reimburse funding provided hereunder, as costs are incurred, for specific items delineated in its approved grant application budget and in accordance with HHS fiscal and grants management requirements." [page 21222]

and replaced with: "Separate applications for a partnership agreement must be submitted by both the Member State and the Partner State with separate budget requests. An application from a Partner State must identify its Member State and an application from a Member State must identify its Partner State. As costs are incurred for specific items delineated in the approved grant application budgets, States must adhere to HHS fiscal and grants management requirements.";

c. The phrase "Member State" is struck and replaced with "State" in the paragraph that reads: "This list is meant to be illustrative, not exhaustive of the type of issues the Member state should address when preparing the application." [page 21222];

2. The following changes are made to Section I, "Funding Opportunity Description," under the "parameters" list [page 21222]:

a. In the first sentence in paragraph (3), the phrase "the Member State" is replaced with "each applicant" so that the sentence reads, "Each applicant must provide a proposed budget that includes the resources and associated costs it believes are necessary to participate in the match process." The second sentence is revised to read: "The proposed budgets will be evaluated for adequacy, reasonableness, and to ensure that implementation of the partnership will be both operationally effective and successful";