

Comments regarding this application must be received by December 29, 2008.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 1, 2008.

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*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

**Proposed Projects**

*Title:* Supporting Healthy Marriage Project Baseline Data Collection Extension OMB No.: 0970-0299.

*Description:* The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is conducting an evaluation study titled Supporting Healthy Marriage (SHM). This is a largescale, multi-site, rigorous test of marriage and relationship skills education programs for low-income married couples. The baseline information collection for the study was previously approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB Number 0970-0299) and expires on of May 31, 2009. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of ACF's intent to request an extension of this clearance prior to its expiration.

The SHM project is founded on research that indicates that both adults in healthy marriages and their children do better on a host of outcomes. The evaluation study will determine the interim and long-term effectiveness of eight local programs by comparing outcomes on a range of measures for

couples and children in the program group to a comparable group of couples randomly assigned to a control group.

Baseline information is collected from couples at the time they volunteer to participate in an SHM program. The baseline data collection provides information about the characteristics of the husband and wife and information about their attitudes and beliefs about their relationship at study entry.

This information will be used to inform the public, program operators and policymakers about the characteristics of married couples who volunteer for marriage education programs and, among other uses, it will be used to define and conduct analyses of key subgroups, addressing a key study question of who benefits most from this type of marriage education service.

*Respondents:* Low-income married couples.

**ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES**

Instrument	Annual number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response (in minutes)	Estimated annual burden hours
Eligibility Checklist .....	3126	1	5	260
Informed Consent Form .....	3126	1	10	521
Baseline Information Form .....	3126	1	9	469
Self-Administered Questionnaire .....	3126	1	11	573
Contact Information Sheet .....	3126	1	10	521
Estimated Annual Burden Hours .....				2344

**Additional Information**

Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. E-mail address: [OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov).

*OMB Coment:*

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, Fax: 202-395-6974, Attn: Desk Officer for the

Administration for Children and Families.

Dated: November 26, 2008.

**Steven M. Hanmer,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request**

**Proposed Project**

*Title:* Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES).

*OMB No.:* 0970-0151.

*Description:* The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is planning to collect data on a new cohort for the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). FACES is a longitudinal study of a

nationally representative sample of Head Start programs and children that will collect information for Head Start performance measures. Data for FACES will be collected annually through interviews with Head Start parents, teachers, program directors and other Head Start staff, as well as direct child assessments and observations of Head Start classrooms.

Information will be collected on a sample of approximately 3,500 children and families from 60 Head Start programs. The methods of data collection will include assessments of Head Start children, interviews with their parents, and ratings by their Head Start teachers. Site visitors will interview Head Start teachers in approximately 350 classrooms and make observations of the types and quality of classroom activities. Interviews will also be conducted with Head Start program directors and other staff. A follow-up for children in Kindergarten will include child assessments, parent interviews, and teacher questionnaires and child ratings.

*Respondents:* Parents of Head Start Children, Head Start Children, Head Start Teachers, Head Start Program Directors and Staff, and Kindergarten Teachers of former Head Start enrollees.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Annual number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hour per response	Estimated annual burden hours
Head Start Parent Interview .....	2,589	1	0.83	2,149
Head Start Child Assessment .....	2,589	1	0.75	1,942
Head Start Teacher Interview .....	300	1	0.83	249
Head Start Teacher Child Rating .....	300	8.6	0.25	645
Head Start Program Director Interview .....	20	1	0.25	5
Head Start Center Director Interview .....	40	1	0.75	30
Head Start Education Coordinator Interview .....	40	1	0.75	30
Kindergarten Parent Interview .....	771	1	0.75	578
Kindergarten Child Assessment .....	771	1	0.75	578
Kindergarten Teacher Questionnaire and Child Rating .....	643	1.2	0.50	386
Estimated Total Burden Hours .....				6,592

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. E-mail address: [OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov). All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments 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) 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. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Dated: November 28, 2008.  
**Steven M. Hanmer**,  
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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request**

**Proposed Project**

*Title:* Building Strong Families (BSF) Demonstration and Evaluation—Impact Study Second Follow-up.

*OMB No.:* 0970-0304.

*Description:* The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), anticipates continuing data collection for the 15-month follow-

up surveys of the Building Strong Families (BSF) Demonstration and Evaluation. Data collection will continue for an additional 6 months beyond the current date of expiration (July 31, 2009).

This data collection is a part of the BSF evaluation, which is an important opportunity to learn if well-designed interventions can help low-income couples develop the knowledge and relationship skills that research has shown are associated with healthy marriages. The BSF evaluation uses an experimental design that randomly assigns couples who volunteer to participate in BSF programs to a program or control group.

Materials for the original 15-month data collection effort, previously submitted to OMB, covered impact and implementation data collections. Data collection for the impact study is complete. ACF anticipates collecting data for an additional 6 months in order to complete data collection for the entire sample of participants.

*Respondents:* Couples enrolled in the BSF evaluation, including program and control groups.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Annual number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Estimated annual burden hours
15-month telephone survey (female partner) .....	1,434	1	.91	1,305
15-month telephone survey (male partner) .....	1,434	1	.83	1,190
Total Burden Hours				2,495

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