DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

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Federal Acquisition Regulation; Information Collection; Travel Costs

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for comments regarding the extension of a previously existing OMB clearance.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Regulatory Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a previously approved information collection requirement concerning Travel Costs.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary; whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Submit comments on or before January 8, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments identified by Information Collection 9000–0088, Travel Costs by any of the following methods:

- Regulations.gov: http://www.regulations.gov. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching the OMB control number. Select the link “Submit a Comment” that corresponds with “Information Collection 9000–0088, Travel Costs”. Follow the instructions provided at the “Submit a Comment” screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and “Information Collection 9000–0088, Travel Costs” on your attached document.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 9000–0088, Travel Costs, in all correspondence related to this collection. All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov. Including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Edward Chambers, Procurement Analyst, Office of Acquisition Policy, GSA, (202) 501–3221 or via email at Edward.chambers@gsa.gov.

A. Purpose

FAR 31.205–46, Travel Costs, requires that, except in extraordinary and temporary situations, costs incurred by a contractor for lodging, meals, and incidental expenses shall be considered to be reasonable and allowable only to the extent that they do not exceed on a daily basis the per diem rates in effect as of the time of travel as set forth in the Federal Travel Regulations for travel in the conterminous 48 United States, the Joint Travel Regulations, Volume 2, Appendix A, for travel is Alaska, Hawaii, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and territories and possessions of the United States, and the Department of State Standardized Regulations, section 925, “Maximum Travel Per Diem Allowances for Foreign Areas.” The burden generated by this coverage is in the form of the contractor preparing a justification whenever a higher actual expense reimbursement method is used.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 3,598.
Responses per Respondent: 10.
Total Responses: 35,980.
Hours per response: 25.
Total Burden Hours: 8,995.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals: Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), 1275 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20417, telephone (202) 501–4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000–0088, Travel Costs, in all correspondence.

Dated: November 1, 2012.

William Clark,
Acting Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, Office of Governmentwide Acquisition Policy, Office of Acquisition Policy, Office of Governmentwide Policy.
searching the OMB control number. Select the link “Submit a Comment” that corresponds with “Information Collection 9000–0077, Quality Assurance Requirements”. Follow the instructions provided at the “Submit a Comment” screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and “Information Collection 9000–0077, Quality Assurance Requirements” on your attached document.

- Mail: General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), 1275 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20417. ATTN: Hada Flowers/IC 9000–0077, Quality Assurance Requirements.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 9000–0077, Quality Assurance Requirements, in all correspondence related to this collection. All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Curtis E. Glover, Sr., Procurement Analyst, Contract Policy Division, GSA (202) 501–1448 or email Curtis.glover@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

Supplies and services acquired under Government contracts must conform to the contract’s quality and quantity requirements. FAR Part 46 prescribes inspection, acceptance, warranty, and other measures associated with quality requirements. Standard clauses related to inspection require the contractor to provide and maintain an inspection system that is acceptable to the Government; give the Government the right to make inspections and test while work is in process; and require the contractor to keep complete, and make available to the Government, records of its inspection work. The

B. Annual Reporting Burden

An upward adjustment is being made to the previously approved estimated annual burden. The change is based on calculating the burden for each clause in FAR Part 46 associated with this information collection requirement. In addition, the Government considered the information collected under this requirement to be records kept as part of a contractor’s normal business operations, and the Government will only request to see the records a limited number of times per year for each contractor.

Responses per Respondent: 1.0186344.
Total Responses: 179,571.
Hours per Response: 82246.
Total Burden Hours: 147,690.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals:
Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), 1275 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20417, telephone (202) 501–4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000–0077, Quality Assurance Requirements, in all correspondence.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Announcement of Physical Activity Guidelines Mid-Course Report Availability and Public Comment Period

AGENCY: Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.


SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announces the availability of the Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans (PAG) Mid-course Report and solicits written comments on the draft report. A subcommittee of the President’s Council on Fitness, Sports and Nutrition (PCFSN) was convened to complete the PAG Mid-course Report. The subcommittee was tasked with reviewing the evidence on intervention strategies that have been shown to be effective in increasing physical activity among youth ages 3–17. The report is a review-of-reviews which highlights research from a variety of settings in which physical activity can successfully be implemented for youth, including school, community, preschool/childcare, home/family, and primary care settings. In addition, the report identifies areas for future research. The intent of this report is to serve as a complement to the Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans, 2008 which recommends that youth ages 6–17 engage in at least 60 minutes of physical activity each day and provides strategies for increasing physical activity in youth toward meeting the PAG. Although the PAG did not include specific recommendations for youth younger than age 6, the PAG Mid-course Report includes intervention strategies in the preschool/childcare setting. This is a response to new science on physical activity among young children and supports HHS’ efforts through Healthy People 2020 to promote physical activity in childcare settings. The subcommittee has completed its draft report and is soliciting public comment before the report is presented to PCFSN for deliberation, and subsequent submission to the Secretary, HHS.

DATES: Written comments on the PAG Mid-course Report can be submitted by email or mail and must be received on or before December 10, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. EST.

ADDRESSES: The PAG Mid-course Report is available for review electronically at www.health.gov/PAGuidelines. Comments may be either emailed to PhysicalActivityGuidelines@hhs.gov or mailed to Katrina Butner, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Department of Health and Human Services, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite LL100, Rockville, MD 20852. For those submitting written comments of more than 5 pages in length, please provide a 1-page summary of key points related to the comments submitted.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A subcommittee of the President’s Council on Fitness, Sports and Nutrition (PCFSN) was created with approval of the Secretary, HHS. The subcommittee is comprised of ten experts in physical activity from both federal and non-federal sectors and is chaired by Council member, Dr. Risa Lavizzo-Mourey. The PAG Mid-course Report will serve as a complement to the Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans, 2008 and is expected to be released in 2013. The PAG Mid-course Report is available electronically at www.health.gov/PAGuidelines. Hard copies may be obtained by contacting