G. Data Items

One commenter noted that several data items differ from the information collected in the last G–SIB exercise. The Federal Reserve notes that the FR Y–15 reporting form contains some additional data items in the total exposures section in order to capture several definitional decision points that have yet to be decided by the BCBS. Capturing this information ensures a consistent data series is available once the final definitions have been adopted. Without these additional items, subsequent definitional changes would diminish the comparability of new data with previous submissions. The Federal Reserve intends to remove any FR Y–15 data item that is inconsistent with the final data collected in the G–SIB initiative, unless that item is useful as a supplementary indicator of systemic risk. The Federal Reserve notes that FR Y–15 data provided to Basel for the purposes of the G–SIB calculation will be consistent with the most current G–SIB data collection definitions.

The Federal Reserve also notes that an additional data item has been added to the payments section that captures payments made in all other currencies not specifically listed. This additional data item provides insight into the true payments activity of the respondent by capturing payments made outside of the major global currencies. Furthermore, the list of currencies collected as part of the G–SIB methodology is subject to change in the future, so it is recommended that institutions build their systems such that they can capture more than just the twelve currencies indicated. The Federal Reserve will retain this additional payments data item.

Several commenters stated that some data items on the FR Y–15 have yet to be finalized by the BCBS, such as Level 1 and Level 2 assets in the Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR). Commenters also stated that these and other data items are computed under frameworks that have not been fully implemented in the U.S. These commenters stated that it is inappropriate to require attestation of such data and suggested excluding these items from the FR Y–15 until such time that the underlying frameworks are fully implemented in the U.S.

The Federal Reserve acknowledges that the LCR has not yet been implemented in the United States. However, because Level 1 and Level 2 assets are a part of the overall calculation of a firm’s systemic risk, the Federal Reserve will continue to collect this information. The Federal Reserve will adopt the current definitions of Level 1 and Level 2 assets from the LCR for the end-2012 data collection. Furthermore, the Federal Reserve intends to update the instructions as necessary to reflect definitional revisions adopted by Basel.

Two commenters raised concerns about the difficulty of reporting gross payments activity, as payments are cleared using numerous internal systems and some are only recorded on a net basis. Considering the difficulty associated with aggregating the payments data, the Federal Reserve will allow reporting of reasonable estimates for the payments panel by requiring attestation of only a specified number of significant figures. Furthermore, should the precise data be unavailable, the Federal Reserve will allow known overestimates to be reported. Finally, due to the calculation burden associated with providing the subset of payments made on behalf of other institutions, the Federal Reserve will remove these data items from the FR Y–15 report.

Commenters asked for a number of clarifications regarding specific data items on the proposed FR Y–15 form. The Federal Reserve has addressed questions related to BHC reporting in the final version of the FR Y–15 instructions. The Federal Reserve plans to address questions related to SLHCs and FBOs in proposed instructions at the time that these institutions are made subject to relevant reporting requirements.

H. Burden Estimate

Several commenters believed that the 180 hour burden estimate vastly underestimated the actual burden on firms, especially those firms that are currently subject to Basel I and have never participated in an international data collection. The Federal Reserve concurs and, as noted above, proposes phasing in smaller BHCs so as to allow additional time for collection and auditing of their initial FR Y–15 submissions. Considering the comments received from industry, the Federal Reserve has increased the burden estimate, particularly for initial submissions.


Robert deV. Frierson, Secretary of the Board.

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Amendment 2010–07 (75 FR 72965, Nov. 29, 2010), ensures more timely updates in mileage reimbursement rates by GSA for Federal employees on official travel. Notices published periodically in the Federal Register, such as this one, and the changes posted on the GSA Web site, now constitute the only notification of revisions to privately owned vehicle reimbursement rates for Federal agencies.


Janet Dobbs, Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Asset and Transportation Management, Office of Government Policy.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

ADDRESSES: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

DATES: Comments on the ICR must be received on or before January 28, 2013.

ADDRESS: Submit your comments to OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov or via facsimile to (202) 395–5806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information Collection Clearance staff, Information.CollectionClearance@hhs.gov or (202) 690–6162.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

[Document Identifier: HHS–OS–17378–30D]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Public Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3507(a)(1)(D) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, has submitted an Information Collection Request (ICR), described below, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The ICR is for a new collection. Comments submitted during the first public review of this ICR will be provided to OMB. OMB will accept further comments from the public on this ICR during the review and approval period.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: When submitting comments or requesting information, please include the Information Collection Request Title and document identifier HHS–OS–17378–30D.

Information Collection Request Title: Evaluation of the National Partnership for Action to End Health Disparities.

Abstract: The Office of Minority Health (OMH) in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH). Office of the Secretary (OS) is requesting approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for new data collection activities for the Evaluation of the National Partnership for Action to End Health Disparities (NPA). The NPA was officially launched in April 2011 to mobilize a nationwide, comprehensive, community-driven, and sustained approach to combating health disparities and to move the nation toward achieving health equity. Using an approach that vests those at the front line with the responsibility of identifying and helping to shape core actions, new approaches and new partnerships are being established to help close the health gap in the United States. OMH proposes to conduct an evaluation of the NPA. The evaluation’s goal is to determine the extent to which the NPA has contributed to the elimination of health disparities and attainment of health equity in our nation. The evaluation will accomplish this goal by (1) determining the degree to which a structure (e.g., partnerships, programmatic reach, communications, committees) to implement the NPA goals and strategies has been established; (2) Collecting, analyzing, and summarizing baseline data for core indicators of immediate and intermediate outcomes (e.g., changes in policy, procedures, and practices to diversify workforce, promote cultural competency, affect social determinants, build leadership, and increase public support for ending health disparities and achieving health equity); (3) Developing criteria for promising practices for ending health disparities and identifying such practices; (4) Beginning to monitor data on social determinants of health and health outcomes using secondary sources.

Need and Proposed Use of the Information: The goal of the NPA evaluation is to determine the extent to which the NPA has contributed to the elimination of health disparities and the attainment of health equity in our nation. The data to be collected will be used to inform the various stakeholders involved in implementation of the NPA and the National Stakeholder Strategy about progress, results, lessons learned, and necessary mid-course adjustments. The evaluation team will facilitate meetings to reflect and discuss the findings with OMH’s leadership, staff, and the implementation and communications teams that support the NPA. The meetings will focus on the lessons learned and their implications on strategy improvement and implementation.

Information from the evaluation will also be shared with Congress through its inclusion in OMH’s biennial report to Congress.

Likely Respondents

- Agency
- Representatives from federal agencies that participate on the Federal Interagency Health Equity Team (FIHET)
- Directors, coordinators, and officials from State Offices of Minority Health and State Departments of Health
- Organizational
- Representatives from key NPA partner organizations
- Individual
- Chairs and members of Regional Health Equity Councils (RHECs)

Burden Statement: Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide the information requested. This includes the time needed to review instructions, to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information, to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information, and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

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