

care services, specifically any facilitators and barriers. These data will provide the HIV/AIDS Bureau with the background to make informed policies and changes to the Ryan White Program in this new era when the well-being of PLWH demands a more complex and long-term HIV care model.

*Likely Respondents:* Clinics funded by the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program.

*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.

Total Estimated Annualized Burden—Hours

Form name	Number of responses	Number of responses per respondents	Total responses	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden hours for all responses
Clinic Director Online Survey .....	130	1	130	0.5	65
Clinician Online Survey .....	90	1	90	0.5	45
Data Extraction .....	30	1	30	4.0	120
Medical Director Interview Guide .....	30	1	30	0.5	15
Total .....	280	.....	280	.....	245

**Jackie Painter,**

*Director, Division of the Executive Secretariat.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Final Effect of Designation of a Class of Employees for Addition to the Special Exposure Cohort**

**AGENCY:** National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HHS gives notice concerning the final effect of the HHS decision to designate a class of employees from the Westinghouse Electric Corp. in Bloomfield, New Jersey, as an addition to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stuart L. Hinnefeld, Director, Division of Compensation Analysis and Support, NIOSH, 1090 Tusculum Avenue, MS C-46, Cincinnati, OH 45226-1938, Telephone 877-222-7570. Information requests can also be submitted by email to [DCAS@CDC.GOV](mailto:DCAS@CDC.GOV).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Authority:* 42 U.S.C. 7384q(b). 42 U.S.C. 7384l(14)(C).

On July 28, 2015, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. 7384l(14)(C), the Secretary of HHS designated the following class of employees as an addition to the SEC:

All Atomic Weapons Employees who worked at the facility owned by Westinghouse Electric Corp., in Bloomfield, New Jersey, during the period from February 1, 1958, through May 31, 1958, or during the period from June 1, 1959, through June 30, 1959, for a number of work days aggregating at least 250 work days, occurring either solely under this employment, or in combination with work days within the parameters established for one or more other classes of employees included in the Special Exposure Cohort.

This designation became effective on August 27, 2015. Therefore, beginning on August 27, 2015, members of this class of employees, defined as reported in this notice, became members of the SEC.

**John Howard,**

*Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Secretarial Review and Publication of the Annual Report to Congress and the Secretary Submitted by the Consensus-Based Entity Regarding Performance Measurement**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice acknowledges the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) receipt and review of the 2015 Annual Report to Congress and the Secretary submitted by the consensus-based entity (CBE) in contract with the Secretary as mandated

by section 1890(b)(5) of the Social Security Act, which was created by section 183 of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA) and amended by section 3014 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010. The statute requires the Secretary to review and publish the report in the **Federal Register** together with any comments of the Secretary on the report not later than six months after receiving the report. This notice fulfills those requirements.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Corette Byrd, (410) 786-1158.

The order in which information is presented in this notice is as follows:

- I. Background
- II. The 2015 Annual Report to Congress and the Secretary: "National Quality Forum Report of 2014 Activities to Congress and the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services"
- III. Secretarial Comments on the 2015 Annual Report to Congress and the Secretary
- IV. Future Steps
- V. Collection of Information Requirements

**I. Background**

In recent years we have seen significant improvements in many important dimensions of the quality of the nation's health care. The 2014 National Quality and Disparities Report, published in April 2015 by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality and available at <http://www.ahrq.gov/research/findings/nhqdr/nhqdr14/index.html>, shows, for example, significant improvement in the quality of hospital care in 2013, with an estimated 1.3 million fewer harmful conditions acquired by patients while in the hospital and 50,000 fewer deaths