

**JUSTICE DEPARTMENT****National Institute of Corrections****Charter Re-Establishment for the National Institute of Corrections Advisory Board**

**ACTION:** Re-establishment of Federal Advisory Committee.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA) and the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976, the National Institute of Corrections (NIC) gives notice that it is re-establishing the charter for the National Institute of Corrections Advisory Board (hereafter referred to as “the Board”).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shaina Vanek, Advisory Board Designated Federal Officer for the National Institute of Corrections, 202–514–4202 or [svanek@bop.gov](mailto:svanek@bop.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The overall policy and operations of the NIC are under the supervision of the Board. In general, the NIC provides training, technical assistance, information services, and policy/program development assistance to Federal, state, and local corrections agencies; through cooperative agreements, awards funds to support program initiatives; and provides leadership to influence correctional policies, practices, and operations nationwide in areas of emerging interest and concern to correctional executives and practitioners as well as public policymakers. The Board will help develop long-range plans, advise on program development, and recommend guidance to assist the NIC’s efforts in these areas. The Board will also advise the Attorney General about the appointment of the Director of the NIC.

The Board shall report to the Director of the NIC. The Director of NIC or his/her designated representatives may act upon the Board’s advice and recommendations.

Under 18 U.S.C. 4351(b) and (c), the Board shall consist of sixteen members. The following six individuals shall serve as members of the Board ex officio: The Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons or his designee, the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs or his designee, Chairman of the United States Sentencing Commission or his designee, the Director of the Federal Judicial Center or his designee, the Associate Administrator for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention or his designee, and the Assistant Secretary for Human Development of

the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee. The remaining ten members of the Board shall be selected by the Attorney General of the United States, after consultation with the Federal Bureau of Prisons and the NIC. Five of these shall be qualified as a practitioner (Federal, State, or local) in the field of corrections, probation, or parole, and shall serve for staggered three-year terms. Five of these members shall be from the private sector, such as business, labor, and education, having demonstrated an active interest in corrections, probation, or parole, and shall serve for staggered three-year terms.

The NIC, when necessary, and consistent with the Board’s mission and NIC policies and procedures may establish subcommittees, task groups, or working groups deemed necessary to support the Board. Establishment of subcommittees will be based upon an identified and articulated need, a verbal or written vote by the Board, and approval by the NIC Director. The Board has established no permanent subcommittees.

Any established subcommittees shall not work independently of the chartered Board, and shall report all of their recommendations and advice to the Board for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered Board; nor can any subcommittees or any of its members update or report directly to the NIC or any Federal officers or employees. All subcommittees operate under the provisions of the FACA (5 U.S.C. appendix), the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), governing Federal statutes and regulations, and governing NIC policies/procedures.

The Board shall meet at the call of the Board’s Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Chairperson. The estimated number of Committee meetings is two per year.

In addition, the Designated Federal Officer is required to be in attendance at all Board and subcommittee meetings for the entire duration of each and every meeting; however, in the absence of the Designated Federal Officer, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend the entire duration of the Committee or subcommittee meeting.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to NIC Advisory Board’s membership about the Board’s mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of NIC Advisory Board.

All written statements shall be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer for the National Institute of Corrections Advisory Board, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150, will announce planned meetings of the Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee. The Designated Federal Officer, at that time, may provide additional guidance on the submission of written statements that are in response to the stated agenda for the planned meeting in question.

Dated: April 10, 2017.

**Shaina Vanek,**

*Acting Director and Advisory Board Designated Federal Officer, National Institute of Corrections.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE****National Institute of Justice**

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**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed New Information Collection Activity; Comment Request, Proposed Study Entitled “Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Sexual Violence Climate Survey Project”**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Justice, U.S. Department of Justice

**ACTION:** 60-Day notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice, will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until July 3, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have additional comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Carrie Mulford, National Institute of Justice, Office of Research & Evaluation, 810 Seventh Street NW., Washington, DC 20531 (overnight 20001) or via email at [Carrie.Mulford@ojp.usdoj.gov](mailto:Carrie.Mulford@ojp.usdoj.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the National Institute of Justice, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Evaluate whether, and if so how, the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

#### Overview of This Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection:* Modification of the Bureau of Justice Statistics' (BJS) campus climate survey; Cognitive testing; Pilot testing of modified survey.

2. *The Title of the Form/Collection:* Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Sexual Violence Climate Survey Project.

3. *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* The applicable component within the U.S. Department of Justice is the National Institute of Justice in the Office of Justice Programs.

4. *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* In early 2014, the White House established the Task Force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault. Representatives to the Task Force were from several federal departments and agencies, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), and the National Institute of Justice (NIJ). The task force put forth a mandate to strengthen federal enforcement efforts and provide schools with additional tools to help prevent sexual violence on campuses. One such tool is the campus climate survey

designed to help schools understand the magnitude and nature of sexual victimization experienced by students. As such, in 2014 OVW funded BJS, within the U.S. Department of Justice, to develop and test a pilot campus climate survey. The current project builds on the work of BJS by modifying their campus climate survey for use at HBCUs.

5. NIJ, in collaboration with the Rutgers Violence Against Women Research Consortium, will begin by engaging in cognitive testing to determine if the BJS campus climate survey is relevant to students from HBCUs. The methods for cognitive testing are based on the methods used in the BJS Validation Study. Two forms of cognitive testing will be used. First, crowdsourcing will be used to test the instrument online. Approximately 240 crowdsourced surveys will be piloted with participants who are 18–25 years old, with a high school degree and matching the racial/ethnic demographics of HBCUs over approximately 2 months. Second, cognitive interviewing will then be used to further test the BJS campus climate survey with 30 African American students (potentially to be recruited from the Rutgers-Newark campus). The BJS survey instrument will then be modified based the findings from the crowdsourced surveys and cognitive interviews for use at HBCUs. Lastly, the modified BJS survey will be pilot tested at three to six HBCUs; the survey will be offered to a random sample of 3,300 students over a period of approximately 2 months. At the end of this study, results from the survey will assist with the validation of a campus climate survey tool for HBCUs as well as information on the sexual violence rates at HBCUs.

6. *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* The estimated range of burden for respondents completing the crowdsourcing survey is 30 minutes. Approximately 240 participants will be recruited to complete the survey. The estimated range of burden for respondents participating in the cognitive interviewing is 60 minutes. Approximately 30 students will be recruited to complete a cognitive interview. Lastly, the estimated range of burden for respondents completing the HBCU campus climate survey is expected to be between 15 to 30 minutes for completion. The following factors were considered when creating the burden estimate: the estimated total number of sites (three HBCUs plus one cognitive testing site) and students

within sites (240 for crowd sourced surveys, 30 for cognitive interviews, and 3,300 at HBCUs), in the sampling plan for a total of 3,570 expected respondents.

7. *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The estimated public burden associated with this collection is 1,800 hours. It is estimated that each of the 240 crowd sourced surveys will take 30 minutes to complete (240 respondents × 30 minutes = 120 hours). It is estimated that each of the cognitive interviews will take 60 minutes to complete (30 respondents × 1 hour = 30 hours). Lastly, it is estimated that each campus climate survey will take 30 minutes to complete (3,300 respondents × 30 minutes = 1,650 hours). We estimate a 24-month data collection period, with all cognitive testing completed in year one (1) for an annualized burden of 150 hours and all surveys administered in year two (2), or an annualized burden of 1,650 hours for year 2.

If additional information is required contact: Melody Braswell, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE., 3E.405A, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: April 27, 2017.

**Melody Braswell,**

*Department Clearance Officer for PRA, U.S. Department of Justice.*

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#### LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

##### Extension of Comment Period for Proposed Revisions to the Grant Terms and Conditions for Grant Year 2018 2018 Basic Field Grants

**AGENCY:** Legal Services Corporation.

**ACTION:** Notice of extended comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Legal Services Corporation (“LSC”) is extending the public comment period for the proposed Terms and Conditions (formerly the LSC Grant Assurances) for Grant Year 2018 Basic Field Grants. LSC published the original request for comments in the **Federal Register** on April 7, 2017. The proposed Terms and Conditions are available at <http://www.lsc.gov/about-lsc/matters-comment>. This notice extends the comment period for ten business days, from May 8, 2017, to May 22, 2017.