and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, technological or other forms of information technology collection methods.

All responses to this notice will become a matter of public record and be summarized in the request for OMB approval.


R. Renee Picanso,
Associate Administrator.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Louisiana Advisory Committee To Discuss Civil Rights Topics in the State

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the Louisiana Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold a meeting on Thursday, July 6, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. Central for the purpose of a discussion on civil rights topics affecting the state.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, July 6, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. CDT.

PUBLIC CALL INFORMATION: Dial: 877–718–5108, Conference ID: 1009990

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Barreras, DFO, at dbarreras@usccr.gov or 312–353–8311

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the public can listen to the discussion. This meeting is available to the public through the following toll-free call-in number: 877–718–5108, conference ID: 1009990. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. The conference call operator will ask callers to identify themselves, the organization they are affiliated with (if any), and an email address prior to placing callers into the conference room. Callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over landline connections to the toll-free telephone number. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–977–8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Midwestern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 55 W. Monroe St., Suite 410, Chicago, IL 60615. They may also be faxed to the Commission at (312) 353–8324, or emailed to Carolyn Allen at callen@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Midwestern Regional Office at (312) 353–8311.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Midwestern Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, Louisiana Advisory Committee link (https://database.faca.gov/committee/committee.aspx?cid=251&aid=17). Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission’s Web site, http://www.usccr.gov, or may contact the Midwestern Regional Office at the above email or street address.

Agenda
Welcome and Roll Call
Civil Rights Topics in Louisiana
Next Steps
Public Comment
Adjournment

Exceptional Circumstance: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150, the notice for this meeting is given less than 15 calendar days prior to the meeting because of the exceptional circumstance of management difficulties that prevent an earlier filing.


David Mussatt,
Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Census Bureau

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau.

Title: Generic Clearance for Internet Nonprobability Panel Pretesting.

OMB Control Number: 0607–0978.

Form Number(s): TBD.

Type of Request: Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.

Number of Respondents: 60,000.

Average Hours per Response: 0.167.

Burden Hours: 10,000.

Needs and Uses: The information collected in this program of developing and testing questionnaires will be used by staff from the Census Bureau and sponsoring agencies to evaluate and improve the quality of the data in the surveys and censuses that are ultimately conducted. Because the questionnaires being tested under this clearance are still in the process of development, the data that result from these collections are not considered official statistics of the Census Bureau or other Federal agencies. Data will be included in research reports prepared for sponsors inside and outside of the Census Bureau. The results may also be prepared for presentations related to survey methodology at professional meetings or publications in professional journals. Since the submission of the 60 day notice, we have changed both the title and burden estimate for this collection. At the 60-day notice, the collection was entitled “Generic Clearance for Internet Nonprobability Panel Pretesting and Qualitative Survey Methods Testing.” To more accurately reflect the intended collection, we are renaming this collection “Generic Clearance for Medium-Scale Pretesting.” We are requesting an increase in hours from 8,334 to 16,900 annually because we incorporated the pretesting needs for the 2020 Census communications campaign into this request.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Frequency: Once.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Data collection for this project is authorized under the authorizing legislation for the questionnaire being tested. This may be Title 13, Sections 131, 141, 161, 181, 182, 193, and 301 for Census Bureau-
sponsored surveys, or other corresponding collection authorities for surveys sponsored by other Federal agencies. We do not now know what other titles will be referenced, since we do not know what survey questionnaires will be pretested during the course of the clearance.

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax to (202) 395–5806.

Sheleen Dumas,
Departmental PRA Lead, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before August 25, 2017.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Census Bureau

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; 2018 National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses

AGENCY: U.S. Census Bureau, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the proposed 2018 National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before August 25, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at PRAcomments@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Daniel Doyle, U.S. Census Bureau, ADDP, HQ–7H051, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233–0001, (301) 763–5304 (or via the Internet at Daniel.P.Doyle@census.gov).

I. Abstract

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ (HHS’) Health Resources Services Administration’s (HRSA) National Center for Health Workforce Analysis (NCHWA), the National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses (NSSRN) is conducted to assist in fulfilling the Congressional mandates of the Public Health Service Act 42 U.S.C. Section 294n(b)(2)(A), foster the development of information describing and analyzing the health care workforce and workforce related issues and provide necessary information for decision-making regarding future directions in health professions and nursing programs in response to societal and professional needs. In addition, Public Health Service Act 42 U.S.C. Section 295k(a)–(b), the Secretary shall establish a program, including a uniform health professions data reporting system, to collect, compile, and analyze data on health professions personnel. The Secretary is authorized to expand the program to include, whenever he determines it necessary, the collection, compilation, and analysis of data, health care administration personnel, nurses, allied health personnel in States designated by the Secretary to be included in the program. The NSSRN is designed to obtain the necessary data to determine the characteristics and distribution of Registered Nurses (RNs) throughout the United States, as well as emerging patterns in their employment characteristics. These data will provide the means for the evaluation and assessment of the evolving demographics, educational qualifications, and career employment patterns of RNs, consistent with the goals of congressional mandates of the Public Health Service Act 42 U.S.C. Section 294n(b)(2)(A) and Section 295k(a)–(b). Such data have become particularly important for the need to better understand workforce issues given the recent dynamic change in the RN population and, the transformation of the healthcare system.

The proposed survey design for the 2018 NSSRN will include a probability sample (100,000 RNs) selected from a sampling frame compiled from files licensed in the 50 States and the District of Columbia. Sampling rates are set for each state based on considerations of statistical precision of the estimates and the costs involved in obtaining reliable national and state-level estimates. The survey will be multi-mode offering respondents the opportunity to participate via a web instrument and a paper questionnaire.

The 2018 NSSRN project includes plans to experimentally test the efficacy of a non-monetary incentive (that is, whether offering a pen and lanyard as a token of appreciation increases response, thus reducing non-response bias and reducing costs associated with follow-up). Additionally, the project will test contact materials, and test modifications to data collection strategies based on response from prior contact strategies.

In addition to testing non-monetary incentives, the 2018 NSSRN will evaluate different non-response follow-up mailing strategies by testing for response improvements using different envelopes to deliver the survey materials. One of these strategies utilizes testing a pressure-sealed reminder postcard scheduled to be mailed approximately one week after the initial survey invite mailing. This strategy is being implemented to decrease the time gap during mailings and is more cost-effective than sending an additional paper questionnaire packet. The ability to send reminders enclosed with the pressure-seal system allows for the secure delivery of login information for the NSSRN web instrument as well as specific information about the survey.

Third, we plan to experimentally evaluate the impact of adding a supplemental fact sheet with important statistics from prior NSSRN administrations. During the initial mailing, inserts with important NSSRN facts will be tested.

Finally, for respondents who experience technical problems with the web instrument, have questions about the survey, or need other forms of assistance, the 2018 NSSRN will have a Telephone Questionnaire Assistance (TQA) line available. TQA staff will not only be able to answer respondent questions and concerns, but also will have the ability to collect survey responses over the phone, using an administrative access to the web instrument, if the respondent calls in and would like to have interviewer assistance in completing the interview.

II. Methods of Collection

Web-Push

The production 2018 NSSRN plan for the web-push data collection design includes 80% of the 100,000 RNs receiving an initial invite with instructions on how to complete the questionnaire via the web. The web-