

indicator computation to determine whether the syntax was functioning accurately and as designed. Additional data quality tests were performed to confirm the integrity of the population of child records eligible for analysis, and syntax functioned correctly across a variety of scenarios, including outlier cases with high error risk. The comprehensive review resulted in the identification of additional syntax revisions, changes to how measurement methods are operationalized, and new methods to screen and address data quality problems in AFCARS and NCANDS submissions.

In addition to our internal review, we contracted for an independent review and validation of the syntax used to complete data quality checks and calculate observed and risk-standardized performance on the seven statewide data indicators. The independent reviewers used the following multi-step process to systematically review and verify all of the syntax:

1. Reviewed syntax for completeness, functionality on systems external to the Children's Bureau
2. Performed reliability checks against performance indicators and state data profiles
3. Performed line-level validity checks of SPSS and STATA syntax files for accurate task execution, data quality verification
 - a. Reviewed the syntax and assessed its function/purpose
 - b. Selected and applied the appropriate validity check(s)
 - c. Ran all syntax and inspected dataset(s) and output
 - d. Debriefed on similar code segments across syntax files

The independent reviewers determined the syntax can validly and reliably develop source data files, perform data quality checks, and calculate state observed performance and risk-standardized performance on the seven statewide data indicators according to the definitions set forth in the **Federal Register** Notices and associated CB guidance documents. The reviewers also verified there are no errors in the revised syntax for observed performance and data quality checks, or the original syntax for risk-standardized performance that would cause inaccuracies in the calculations. The independent review also helped demonstrate the feasibility for states and partner agencies to replicate the syntax with several additional steps to calculate data quality and observed performance on their own. Additional information about the independent

review and verification process and associated findings are detailed in the 2018 report, *Review and Validation of the Analytic Syntax Used to Produce CFSR Statewide Data Indicators* (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/resource/cfsr-round3-sdi-syntax-validation>).

Supporting Documents

The documents identified below are provided to assist states and other interested parties with the independent syntax review process:

A. *List of CFSR Round 3 Statewide Data Indicator Syntax Revisions*: Provides a summary of errors, corrections, and changes made to the syntax used to calculate performance on the statewide data indicator(s) and data quality checks. (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/resource/cfsr-round3-sdi-syntax>).

B. *CFSR Round 3 Statewide Data Indicator Data Dictionary*: Provides a description of each statewide data indicator and data quality check, including the numerators, denominators, risk adjustments, exclusions, and corresponding data notes. (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/resource/cfsr-round3-sdi-data-dictionary>).

C. *Statewide Data Indicators—PDF Version of Syntax*: Provides the syntax used to perform data quality checks, calculate observed performance, and calculate risk-standardized performance on the seven statewide data indicators. This document may help individuals develop a better understanding of the statistical calculations or provide assistance for individuals who do not have SPSS and/or STATA statistical software to run the syntax files. (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/resource/cfsr-round3-sdi-syntax-pdf>).

D. *CFSR Round 3 Statewide Data Indicator Syntax Zip File*: Provides syntax and supporting files in SPSS format that are used to calculate data quality and observed performance. Note: Syntax to calculate risk-standardized performance (RSP) for each state uses a national, risk-adjusted model that requires child-level data from all states (i.e., national datasets) and thus cannot be replicated by states and interested parties. (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/resource/cfsr-round3-sdi-syntax-zip>).

E. *Instructions to Run Data Quality (DQ) Checks and Observed Performance Syntax for Statewide Data Indicators*: Provides an overview and brief description of the folders, files, and syntax included in the CFSR round 3 zip file; considerations and steps for running the syntax; and software requirements. (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/>

[cb/resource/cfsr-round3-sdi-dq-instructions](https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/resource/cfsr-round3-sdi-dq-instructions)).

Invitation To Comment

We are inviting state child welfare agencies, partner organizations, and the public to review, test, and provide comments on the revised syntax to perform data quality checks and calculate observed performance on the statewide data indicators. The purpose of this invitation is to provide an opportunity for additional independent review prior to finalizing the revised syntax. Interested parties may choose to review a written version of the statistical syntax and supporting documents, and/or follow the instructions to replicate the syntax files to generate CFSR data indicator performance information using state-generated AFCARS and NCANDS files.

We are interested in receiving comments on the revised syntax and related considerations and recommendations to strengthen our statistical calculations for generating CFSR statewide data indicator performance information. We encourage states and interested parties to share the outcome of their review and/or results from running the revised syntax files. Please be specific in identifying the corresponding statewide data indicator or data quality check being referenced in the comment; the syntax revision, question, or recommendation; and the rationale for considerations or recommendation(s), as applicable.

Comments containing suggested revisions should be limited to operationalizing the measures and calculation methods contained in the statistical syntax used to generate performance data. We are not making changes or requesting comments at this time pertaining to the statewide data indicator measures as defined in prior **Federal Register** notices and the Data Dictionary available with this invitation.

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Assistant Secretary for Children and Families.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Solicitation for Written Comments on Proposed Objectives for Healthy People 2030

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 Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is soliciting written comments on the proposed Healthy People 2030 objectives, including proposed core, developmental, and research objectives. The public is also invited to propose new objectives to be considered for inclusion in Healthy People 2030.

ODPHP manages the Health People initiative, which provides science-based, 10-year national objectives for promoting health and preventing disease. Every 10 years, through the Healthy People initiative, HHS leverages scientific insights and lessons from the past decade along with new knowledge of current data, trends, and innovations to develop the next iteration of national health promotion and disease prevention objectives. For four decades, Healthy People has set and monitored national health objectives to meet a broad range of health needs, encouraged collaborations across sectors, guided individuals toward making informed health decisions, and measured the impact of our prevention and health promotion activities. The proposed objectives for Healthy People 2030 represent a streamlined set of objectives, representing important public health issues facing our nation.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted by January 11, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Written comments will be accepted via an online public comment database on <http://www.healthypeople.gov> and via email at HP2030@hhs.gov. Instructions for submitting comments can be found on <http://www.healthypeople.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ayanna Johnson, Public Health Advisor, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite LL100, Rockville, MD 2085. Email: HP2030@hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: For four decades, Healthy People has provided a comprehensive set of national 10-year health promotion and disease prevention objectives aimed at improving the health of all Americans. The Healthy People development process strives to maximize transparency, public input, and stakeholder dialogue to ensure that Healthy People 2030 is relevant to diverse public health needs and seizes

opportunities to achieve its goals. Since its inception, Healthy People has been the product of an extensive collaborative process that relies on input from a diverse array of individuals and organizations, both within and outside the federal government, with a common interest in improving the nation's health. During the first phase of planning for Healthy People 2030, HHS asked for the public's comments on the Healthy People 2030 framework, including the vision, mission, foundational principles, overarching goals, and plan of action. Those comments helped shape the framework for Healthy People 2030, which can be found here: <https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/About-Healthy-People/Development-Healthy-People-2030/Framework>.

Public participation will shape the objectives included in Healthy People 2030. Healthy People 2030 will provide a picture of the nation's health at the beginning of the decade, establish national goals and targets to be achieved by the year 2030, and monitor progress over time. As a national initiative, Healthy People's success depends on a coordinated commitment to improve the health of the nation.

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Dated: November 13, 2018.

Don Wright,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health, Disease Prevention and Health Promotion.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Indian Health Service**

[OMB NO. 0917-0028]

Request for Public Comment: 30-Day Proposed Information Collection: Addendum to Declaration for Federal Employment, Child Care and Indian Child Care Worker Positions

AGENCY: Indian Health Service, HHS.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments. Request for extension of approval.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Indian Health Service (IHS) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for extension of approval of the information collection titled, "Addendum to Declaration for Federal Employment, Child Care and Indian Child Care Worker Positions," Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) Control Number 0917-0028.

DATES: December 27, 2018. Your comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having full effect if received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

DIRECT YOUR COMMENTS TO OMB: Send your comments and suggestions regarding the proposed information collection contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time to: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for IHS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Send requests for more information on the proposed collection, or requests to obtain a copy of the data collection instrument and instructions to Evonne Bennett-Barnes by one of the following methods:

- **Mail:** Evonne Bennett-Barnes, Information Collection Clearance Officer, 5600 Fishers Lane, Mail stop: 09E21B, Rockville, MD 20857.

- **Email:** Evonne.Bennett-Barnes@ihs.gov.

- **Phone:** 301-443-4750.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This previously approved information collection expires November 30, 2018. Notice regarding the information collection was last published in the **Federal Register** (83 FR 48831) on September 27, 2018, and allowed 60 days for public comment. No comments were received in response to the previous notice. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment.

A copy of the supporting statement is available at www.regulations.gov (see Docket ID IHS FRDOC 0001).

OMB is particularly interested in comments that: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques of other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Proposed Collection Title: Addendum to Declaration for Federal Employment,