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Leslie Kux,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Public Comment Request; Information Collection Request Title: Environmental Information Documentation (EID), OMB No. 0915–0324—Revision

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, HRSA announces plans to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR), described below, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Prior to submitting the ICR to OMB, HRSA seeks comments from the public regarding the burden estimate, below, or any other aspect of the ICR.

DATES: Comments on this ICR should be received no later than February 25, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments to paperwork@hrsa.gov or mail the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer, Room 14N136B, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and draft instruments, email paperwork@hrsa.gov or call Lisa Wright-Solomon, the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer at (301) 443–1984.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: When submitting comments or requesting information, please include the information request collection title for reference.

Information Collection Request Title: HRSA Environmental Information and Documentation, OMB Number: 0915–0324—Revision.

Abstract: HRSA proposes revisions to the Environmental Information and Documentation (EID) checklist, which consists of information that the agency is required to obtain to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). NEPA establishes the federal government's national policy for protection of the environment. The EID checklist must be completed and submitted by applicants for HRSA funds that plan to engage in construction or other projects that would potentially

impact the environment. HRSA utilizes the checklist to ensure that decision-making processes are consistent with NEPA. The revisions will update some of the language in the checklist. For example, to better align with 45 CFR part 75, HRSA proposes to change the term “grant” to “award” and “grantee” to “award recipient.”

Need and Proposed Use of the Information: Applicants for HRSA funds must provide information and assurance of compliance with NEPA on the EID checklist. This information is reviewed during the pre-award stage.

Likely Respondents: HRSA applicants applying for federal construction grants and cooperative agreements.

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 respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total responses	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden hours
NEPA EID Checklist	1,500	1	1,500	1	1,500
Total	1,500	1,500	1,500

HRSA specifically requests comments on (1) the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions, (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden, (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

Amy P. McNulty,

Acting Director, Division of the Executive Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Meeting Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Announces the Following Advisory Committee Meeting

Name: National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS), Full Committee Meeting.

Dates and Times: Wednesday, February 6, 2019: 9:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.; Thursday, February 7, 2019: 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Place: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Rm. 505A, Washington, DC 20201.

Status: Open.

Purpose: At the February 6–7, 2019 meeting, the Committee will deliberate draft recommendations for the HHS Secretary, move forward on activities outlined in the NCVHS 2019 workplan, and hold discussions on several health data policy topics. Anticipated action items during this meeting include: (1) A letter to the Secretary regarding recommendations for revisions to principles for adoption of health terminology and vocabulary standards and new principles for curation and

update of already adopted standards in follow up to the July 2018 meeting on Health Terminologies and Vocabularies; and (2) draft of the NCVHS Thirteenth Report to Congress focused on actions that Congress might take in coordination with the executive branch and the industry to improve administrative simplification and reductions in burden for stakeholders involved in producing and using health data. In addition, the Committee will review proceedings from the December 2018 hearing on the Predictability Roadmap to identify recommendations for approaches to improve predictability and timeliness of the adoption and implementation processes related to updating standards and operating rules adopted under the authority of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

The Privacy, Confidentiality and Security Subcommittee will provide an update on plans for a hearing in March 2019 focused on health information privacy and security beyond HIPAA. The Subcommittee on Population Health will discuss several topics including: Follow up with the Institute for Healthcare Improvement/100 Million Healthier Lives on the public-private partnership to achieve implementation of the NCVHS Measurement Framework for Community Health and Well-being; the federal role in supporting state, local and community measurement as it relates to Healthy People 2030; and the essential role of vital registration data and statistics in measuring, monitoring and understanding health at the community level.

The Committee will further refine its 2019 workplan and discuss activities of mutual significance with the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information and Technology (ONC).

The times and topics are subject to change. Please refer to the posted agenda for any updates.

Contact Person for More Information: Substantive program information may be obtained from Rebecca Hines, MHS, Executive Secretary, NCVHS, National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 3311 Toledo Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone (301) 458-4715. Summaries of meetings and a roster of Committee members are available on the home page of the NCVHS website: www.ncvhs.hhs.gov, where further information including an agenda and instructions to access the broadcast of the meeting will also be posted.

Should you require reasonable accommodation, please contact the CDC Office of Equal Employment

Opportunity on (770) 488-3210 as soon as possible.

Dated: December 18, 2018.

Sharon Arnold,

Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Science and Data Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services; Meeting

AGENCY: Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the public meeting of the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services (Advisory Council). The Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services provides advice on how to prevent or reduce the burden of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias on people with the disease and their caregivers. During the January meeting, the Research Subcommittee will be taking charge of the theme. The topics covered will include: Non-pharmacological interventions, pragmatic trials, and maximizing the quality of life for people living with dementia. The meeting will also include updates on work from the previous meetings and federal workgroup updates.

DATES: The meeting will be held on January 28, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Room 800 in the Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20201.

Comments: Time is allocated in the afternoon on the agenda to hear public comments. The time for oral comments will be limited to two (2) minutes per individual. In lieu of oral comments, formal written comments may be submitted for the record to Helen Lamont, Ph.D., OASPE, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Room 424E, Washington, DC 20201. Comments may also be sent to napa@hhs.gov. Those submitting written comments should identify themselves and any relevant organizational affiliations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Helen Lamont, 202-260-6075, helen.lamont@hhs.gov. **Note:** Seating may be limited. Those wishing to attend the meeting must send an email to napa@hhs.gov and put "January 28

Meeting Attendance" in the subject line by Thursday, January 17, so that their names may be put on a list of expected attendees and forwarded to the security officers at the Department of Health and Human Services. Any interested member of the public who is a non-U.S. citizen should include this information at the time of registration to ensure that the appropriate security procedure to gain entry to the building is carried out. Although the meeting is open to the public, procedures governing security and the entrance to Federal buildings may change without notice. If you wish to make a public comment, you must note that within your email.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2)). Topics of the Meeting: During the January meeting, the Research Subcommittee will be taking charge of the theme. The topics covered will include: Non-pharmacological interventions, pragmatic trials, and maximizing the quality of life for people living with dementia. The meeting will also include updates on work from the previous meetings and federal workgroup updates.

Procedure and Agenda: This meeting is open to the public. Please allow 30 minutes to go through security and walk to the meeting room. The meeting will also be webcast at www.hhs.gov/live.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 11225; Section 2(e)(3) of the National Alzheimer's Project Act. The panel is governed by provisions of Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

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Brenda Destro,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Office of Human Services Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and