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**Proposed Project**

Study on Disparities in Distress Screening among Lung and Ovarian Cancer—New—National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

*Background and Brief Description*

Within the cancer treatment community, interest in the psychosocial impacts of cancer diagnosis and treatment is increasing. These psychosocial impacts are wide ranging and include not only anxiety related to the illness and treatment side effects such as pain, fatigue and cognition, but also stress related to nonmedical issues such as family relationships, financial hardship, social stressors (e.g. transportation), and stigmatization. There is growing evidence that addressing the psychosocial stresses of cancer survivors increases both their longevity and quality of life.

The 2016 Institute of Medicine (currently, National Academies of

Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine) ovarian cancer report, funded by CDC, calls for increased study of the psychosocial needs of ovarian cancer survivors, recognizing the high rates of depression, anxiety, and distress. Up to 60% of lung cancer survivors also experience high levels of distress. Both ovarian and lung cancer patients have relatively low five-year survival rates (45% and 17%, respectively). Therefore, CDC believes that it is imperative to develop a greater understanding about the types of psychosocial services they receive during their course of treatment and follow-up care.

CDC proposes a new information collection to examine the extent to which disparities exist in distress screening and follow-up among cancer treatment facilities and programs across the country. The study will include 50 healthcare facilities. From these facilities, we will request existing electronic health records (EHR) of 2,000 lung and ovarian cancer survivors. Data elements collected will include patient demographic information, cancer diagnosis and treatment, experience with distress screening and follow-up

care, and medical service utilization. Patient names, addresses, birth dates and Social Security Numbers will not be collected.

Staff from twelve of the 50 participating healthcare facilities will be invited to participate in an interview and focus group to provide contextual understanding about facilitators and barriers to distress screening and follow-up processes. This is a one-time data collection.

Results of this study will provide CDC’s National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program (NCCCP) with information to assist with the development of information, resources, technical assistance, and future evidence-based interventions to improve the quality of life of lung and ovarian cancer survivors. Summative findings will be used to evaluate the need to help with policy, systems, or environmental changes that may enhance the landscape of quality of life services for cancer survivors in communities at large. OMB approval is requested for one year. The total estimated annualized burden hours are 512.

**ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS**

Type of respondents	Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	
Quantitative:	Healthcare Professionals (POC) .....	Survey .....	50	1	20/60
	IT Staff .....	EMR data .....	50	1	7.5
Qualitative:	Healthcare Professionals .....	Key Informant Interview .....	12	1	1
		Focus Groups .....	72	1	1.5

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

[60Day–19–0639; Docket No. CDC–19–0052]

**Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice with comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the general public and other Federal agencies the opportunity to comment on a proposed and/or continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on a proposed information collection project titled Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (EEOICPA) Special Exposure Cohort Petitions. This information collection project permits respondents to submit petitions to HHS requesting the addition of classes of employees to the Special Exposure Cohort under EEOICPA.

**DATES:** CDC must receive written comments on or before September 3, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC–2019–0052 by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal: Regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS–D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket Number. CDC will post, without change, all relevant comments to *Regulations.gov*.

*Please note:* Submit all comments through the Federal eRulemaking portal (*regulations.gov*) or by U.S. mail to the address listed above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, contact Jeffrey M. Zirger, of the Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS-D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; phone: 404-639-7570; Email: [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. In addition, the PRA also requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each new proposed collection, each proposed extension of existing collection of information, and each reinstatement of previously approved information collection before submitting the collection to the OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, we are publishing this notice of a proposed data collection as described below.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments that will help:

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, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
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, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submissions of responses.
5. Assess information collection costs.

#### Proposed Project

Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (EEOICPA) Special Exposure Cohort Petitions. (OMB No. 0920-0639 exp. 10/31/2019)—Extension—National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

#### Background and Brief Description

On October 30, 2000, the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (EEOICPA), 42 U.S.C. 7384-7385 [1994, supp. 2001] was enacted. The Act established a compensation program to provide a lump sum payment of \$150,000 and medical benefits as compensation to covered employees suffering from designated illnesses incurred as a result of their exposure to radiation, beryllium, or silica while in the performance of duty for the Department of Energy and certain of its vendors, contractors and subcontractors. This legislation also provided for payment of compensation for certain survivors of these covered employees. This program has been mandated to be in effect until Congress ends the funding.

Among other duties, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) was directed to establish and implement procedures for considering petitions by classes of nuclear weapons workers to be added to the "Special Exposure Cohort" (the "Cohort"). In brief, EEOICPA authorizes HHS to designate such classes of employees for addition to the Cohort when NIOSH lacks sufficient information to estimate with sufficient accuracy the radiation doses of the employees, and if HHS also finds that the health of members of the class may have been endangered by the radiation dose the class potentially incurred. HHS must also obtain the advice of the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (the "Board") in establishing such findings. On May 28, 2004, HHS issued a rule that established procedures for adding such classes to the Cohort (42 CFR part 83). The rule was amended on July 10, 2007.

The HHS rule authorizes a variety of respondents to submit petitions. Petitioners are required to provide the information specified in the rule to qualify their petitions for a complete evaluation by HHS and the Board. HHS has developed two forms to assist the petitioners in providing this required information efficiently and completely. Form A is a one-page form to be used by EEOICPA claimants for whom NIOSH has attempted to conduct dose reconstructions and has determined that available information is not sufficient to complete the dose reconstruction. Form B, accompanied by separate instructions, is intended for all other petitioners. Forms A and B can be submitted electronically as well as in

hard copy. Respondent/petitioners should be aware that HHS is not requiring respondents to use the forms. Respondents can choose to submit petitions as letters or in other formats, but petitions must meet the informational requirements stated in the rule. NIOSH expects, however, that all petitioners for whom Form A would be appropriate will actually use the form, since NIOSH will provide it to them upon determining that their dose reconstruction cannot be completed and encourage them to submit the petition. NIOSH expects the large majority of petitioners for whom Form B would be appropriate will also use the form, since it provides a simple, organized format for addressing the informational requirements of a petition.

NIOSH will use the information obtained through the petition for the following purposes: (a) Identify the petitioner(s), obtain their contact information, and establish that the petitioner(s) is qualified and intends to petition HHS; (b) establish an initial definition of the class of employees being proposed to be considered for addition to the Cohort; (c) determine whether there is justification to require HHS to evaluate whether or not to designate the proposed class as an addition to the Cohort (such an evaluation involves potentially extensive data collection, analysis, and related deliberations by NIOSH, the Board, and HHS); and, (d) target an evaluation by HHS to examine relevant potential limitations of radiation monitoring and/or dosimetry-relevant records and to examine the potential for related radiation exposures that might have endangered the health of members of the class.

Finally, under the rule, petitioners may contest the proposed decision of the Secretary to add or deny adding classes of employees to the cohort by submitting evidence that the proposed decision relies on a record of either factual or procedural errors in the implementation of these procedures. NIOSH estimates that the average time to prepare and submit such a challenge is five hours. Because of the uniqueness of this submission, NIOSH is not providing a form. The submission will typically be in the form of a letter to the Secretary.

There are no costs to respondents unless a respondent/petitioner chooses to purchase the services of an expert in dose reconstruction, an option provided for under the rule.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hrs.)
Petitioners .....	Form A, 42 CFR 83.9 .....	2	1	3/60	6/60
	Form B, 42 CFR 83.9 .....	5	1	5	25
Petitioners using a submission format other than Form B (as permitted by rule).	42 CFR 83.9 .....	1	1	6	6
Petitioners Appealing final HHS decision (no specific form is required).	42 CFR 83.18 .....	2	1	5	10
Claimant authorizing a party to submit petition on his/her behalf.	Authorization Form, 42 CFR 83.7 ....	3	1	3/60	9/60
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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[60 Day-19-19AYV; Docket No. CDC-2019-0048]

**Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice with comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the general public and other Federal agencies the opportunity to comment on a proposed and/or continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on a proposed information collection project titled State and Local Public Health Laboratory Antibiotic Resistance Testing. This collection will assist public health laboratories to improve detection and characterization of two urgent antibiotic resistant threats in healthcare-associated infections, carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE) and carbapenem-resistant Pseudomonas aeruginosa (CRPA).

**DATES:** CDC must receive written comments on or before September 3, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC-2019-0048 by any of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** Regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- **Mail:** Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS-D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

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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;

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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, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

5. Assess information collection costs.

**Proposed Project**

State and Local Public Health Laboratory Antibiotic Resistance Testing—Existing Collection in use without an OMB Control Number—National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

**Background and Brief Description**

This state and local laboratory testing capacity collection is being implemented by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in response to Executive Order 13676, with the National Strategy of September 2014, and to implement sub-objective 2.1.1 of the National Action Plan of March 2015 for Combating Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria. Data collected throughout this network is also authorized by Section