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**Authority:** Sec. 5106, Pub. L. 111–320, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act Reauthorization Act of 2010, and titles IV–B and IV–E of the Social Security Act.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Submission for OMB Review; Human Services Programs in Rural Contexts Study**

**AGENCY:** Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, Administration for Children and Families, HHS.

**ACTION:** Request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is proposing to collect data on the challenges and unique opportunities of administering human services programs in rural contexts. Case studies of 12 communities, in combination with analysis of administrative data and qualitative comparative analysis of the qualitative data, will provide ACF with a rich description of human services programs in rural contexts and provide ACF opportunities for strengthening human services programs’ capacity to promote the economic and social wellbeing of individuals, families, and communities in rural contexts.

**DATES:** *Comments due within 30 days of publication.* OMB must make a decision about the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting

“Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Description:* ACF proposes to conduct key informant interviews during site visits to 12 rural communities. While ACF intends to conduct on-site visits, if the current COVID–19 pandemic makes it too difficult to travel safely, we will conduct these interviews virtually. This study will involve four data collection instruments:

- *Site Visit Planning Template.* Each Project Director (or their designee) will complete a Site Visit Planning Template to assist the study team in scheduling site visit interviews.

- *Three Site Visit Discussion Guides.* To systematically capture data on challenges and unique opportunities, the study team will conduct interviews with (1) project directors and leaders from human services organizations, (2) staff from the human services and partner organizations, and (3) staff from nonprofit and partner organizations that support individuals who utilize human services.

*Respondents:* Human services project directors and leadership staff, human services program staff, and staff from nonprofit organizations and partners that provide support to individuals who utilize human services.

**ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES**

Instrument	Number of respondents (total over request period)	Number of responses per respondent (total over request period)	Avg. burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)	Annual burden (in hours)
In-Person Site Visit Planning Template (Instrument 1a); or Virtual Site Visit Planning Template (Instrument 1b) .....	12	1	2	24	12
Project Directors and Leaders Site Visit Discussion Guide (Instrument 2) .....	60	1	2	120	60
Staff Site Visit Discussion Guide (Instrument 3) .....	108	1	1.5	162	81
Nonprofit or Partner Organizations Site Visit Discussion Guide (Instrument 4) .....	72	1	1	72	36

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 189.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 613, 42 U.S.C. 1397, 42 U.S.C. 711, and 42 U.S.C. 603(a)(2).

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**[OMB No. 0970–0449]**

**Proposed Information Collection Activity; Renewal of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Performance Measures**

**AGENCY:** Office of Community Services, Administration for Children and Families, HHS.

**ACTION:** Request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is requesting reinstatement of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Performance Measures (Office of Management and Budget (OMB) #0970–0449, expiration date March 31, 2021) with changes. Changes include a single addition of a field to capture a potential additional source of funding, and other minor changes to the most recent version of this form.

**DATES:** *Comments due within 60 days of publication.* In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ACF is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by emailing [infocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:infocollection@acf.hhs.gov). Alternatively, copies can also be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE), 330 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20201, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests, emailed or written, should be identified by the title of the information collection.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Description:* The ACF Office of Community Services (OCS) within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) administers the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) at the federal level. The *LIHEAP Performance Data Form (LPDF)* is an annual report in response to Section 2610(b) of the LIHEAP statute (42 U.S.C. 8629(b)), which requires the Secretary of HHS to submit, no later than June 30 of each federal fiscal year, a report to Congress on LIHEAP for the prior federal fiscal year. The completeness, accuracy, consistency, and timeliness of responses to data collections are needed for HHS to do the following:

- Provide reliable and complete fiscal and household data to Congress in the Department's *LIHEAP Report to Congress* for the federal fiscal year;
- Respond to questions from the Congress, Department, OMB, White House, and other interested parties in a timely manner; and
- Report LIHEAP performance results as part of the Administration's annual Congressional Justification.

In response to the 2010 Government Accountability Office (GAO) report, *Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program—Greater Fraud Prevention Controls are Needed* (GAO-10-621), and in consideration of the recommendations issued by the LIHEAP Performance Measures Implementation

Work Group, OCS required the collection and reporting of these performance measures by state LIHEAP grantees, including the District of Columbia. OMB approved the LIHEAP Performance Data Form (LPDF) in November 2014 (OMB Clearance No. 0970-0449) and approved continued collection using the form through March 31, 2021. This request will extend approval to collect information using the LPDF for another 3 years. The LPDF provides for the collection of the following LIHEAP performance measures, which are considered to be developmental as part of the LPDF:

1. The benefit targeting index for high burden households receiving LIHEAP fuel assistance;
2. The burden reduction targeting index for high burden households receiving LIHEAP fuel assistance;
3. The number of households where LIHEAP prevented a potential home energy crisis; and
4. The number of households where LIHEAP benefits restored home energy.

All state LIHEAP grantees are required to complete the LPDF data through ACF's web-based data collection and reporting system, the Online Data Collection (OLDC), which is available at GrantSolutions homepage (<https://home.grantsolutions.gov/home>). The reporting requirements will be described through the LIHEAP Forms and Funding Applications page (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/form/liheap-forms-and-funding-applications>) of ACF's website.

The previous OMB-approved LIHEAP Grantee Survey on sources and uses of LIHEAP funds was added in 2014 to the LPDF as an addition to the LIHEAP performance data. Additional items for separately reporting LIHEAP funds appropriated by the CARES Act (Pub. L. 116-136) were added in 2020.

ACF proposes additional changes for this data collection activity. These consist of (1) adding an item for reporting previous-year Residential Energy Assistance Challenge (REACH) funds as a source; (2) reorganizing source items by appropriations source instead of by report; (3) specifying the prior-year nature of CARES Act funds; and (4) minor wording changes.

The form is divided into the following three modules to add clarity:

**Module 1. LIHEAP Grantee Survey (Required Reporting)**

Module 1 of the *LPDF* will continue to require the following data from each state for the federal fiscal year:

- Grantee information;
- Sources and uses of LIHEAP funds;
- Average LIHEAP household benefits; and
- Maximum income cutoffs for 4-person households for each type of LIHEAP assistance provided by each grantee for the fiscal year.

**Module 2. LIHEAP Performance Measures (Required Reporting)**

Module 2 of the *LPDF* will continue to require the following data from each state for the federal fiscal year:

- Grantee information;
- Energy burden targeting;
- Restoration of home energy service; and
- Prevention of loss of home energy.

**Module 3. LIHEAP Performance Measures (Optional Reporting)**

Module 3 of the LIHEAP *LPDF* will continue to voluntarily collect the following additional information from each interested grantee for the federal fiscal year:

- Average annual energy usage;
- Unduplicated number of households using supplemental heating fuel and air conditioning;
- Unduplicated number of households that had restoration of home energy service; and
- Unduplicated number of households that had prevention of loss of home energy.

LIHEAP grantees will be able to compare their own results to the results for other states, as well as to regional and national results, through the Data Warehouse of the LIHEAP Performance Management website as they manage their programs.

*Respondents:* State governments, including the District of Columbia; the largest five electricity and natural gas vendors by state; the largest ten fuel oil and propane vendors by state; and state sub-grantees.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per	Average hour burden per	Annual burden hours
<b>Module 1 (Grantee Survey)</b>				
State Grantees .....	51	1	36	1,836
Energy Vendors (largest 5 electric, 5 natural gas, 10 fuel oil, and 10 propane vendors per state—average) .....	1,530	1	1	1,530
<b>Module 2 (LIHEAP Performance Measures)</b>				
State Grantees—Part II .....	51	1	150	7,650
Sub-Grantees (in states with sub-grantee managed systems)—Part II .....	100	1	8	800
Energy Vendors (largest 5 electric, 5 natural gas, 10 fuel oil, and 10 propane vendors per state—average)—Part II .....	* 1,530	1	8.5	13,005

\*(estimate).

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 24,821.*

*Comments:* The Department specifically requests comments on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 8629(b); 42 U.S.C. 8624(b); 42 U.S.C. 8623(c).

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke; 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 the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material,

and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke Special Emphasis Panel; Clinical Trials in Neurology.

*Date:* April 12–13, 2021.

*Time:* 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852 (Virtual Meeting).

*Contact Person:* Shanta Rajaram, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, NINDS/NIH, NSC, 6001 Executive Blvd., Suite 3208, MSC 9529, Rockville, MD 20852, (301) 435-6033, [rajarams@mail.nih.gov](mailto:rajarams@mail.nih.gov).

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.853, Clinical Research Related to Neurological Disorders; 93.854, Biological Basis Research in the Neurosciences, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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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 the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* Microbiology, Infectious Diseases and AIDS Initial Review Group Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Review Committee AIDS Chartered Committee Review Meeting.

*Date:* April 14–15, 2021.

*Time:* 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Room 3F40A, Rockville, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

*Contact Person:* Robert C. Unfer, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Room 3F40A, Rockville, MD 20852 (240) 669-5035, [robert.unfer@nih.gov](mailto:robert.unfer@nih.gov).

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