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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Comments are requested regarding: whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by June 2, 2023 will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website 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.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it

displays a currently valid OMB control number.

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Title: Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program.

OMB Control Number: 0524–0049.

Summary of Collection: The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) makes competitively awarded grants to qualified small businesses to support high quality, advanced concepts research related to important scientific problems and opportunities in agriculture that could lead to significant public benefit if successful. The objectives of the SBIR Program are to: stimulate technological innovation in the private sector; strengthen the role of small businesses in meeting Federal research and development needs; increase private sector commercialization of innovations derived from USDA-supported research and development efforts; and foster and encourage participation by women-owned and socially and economically disadvantaged small business firms in technological innovation. The USDA SBIR Program is administered by the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) of the USDA.

Need and Use of the Information: The USDA SBIR Program Office proposes to contact Phase II awardees to determine their success in achieving commercial application of a market ready technology that was funded under the USDA SBIR Program. The survey would collect information from Phase II companies that received funding during the years of 2016 to 2019. Data from the survey will be used to provide information that currently does not exist. The data will be used internally by the USDA SBIR Office to identify past and current activities of Phase II grantees in the areas of technology development, commercialization success, product development or services, and factors that may have prevented the technology from entering into the marketplace.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 121.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 61.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Breastfeeding Award of Excellence

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on this proposed information collection. This collection is a revision of a currently approved collection for awarding local agencies for excellence in WIC breastfeeding services and support.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before June 3, 2023.

ADDRESSES: The Food and Nutrition Service, USDA, invites interested persons to submit written comment.

- *Preferred Method:* Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically.

- *Mail:* Send comments to: Kristin Garcia, Director, Food Safety and Nutrition Division, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1320 Braddock Pl., Alexandria, VA 22314.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will be a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Valery Soto, Chief, Nutrition Services and Promotion Branch, Food Safety and Nutrition Division, FNS, USDA, 1320 Braddock

Pl., Alexandria, VA 22314. Telephone: (703) 305-2742.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 231 of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010, Public Law 111-296, requires that the Department of Agriculture (USDA) establish a program to recognize WIC local agencies and clinics that demonstrate exemplary breastfeeding promotion and support activities.

Comments are invited 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, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions that were used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, 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 use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title: Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Breastfeeding Award of Excellence.

Form Number: Not applicable.

OMB Number: 0584-0591.

Expiration Date: 11/30/2023.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: This information collection is mandated by section 231 of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (HHFKA) (Pub. L. 111-296). Section 231 of the HHFKA, which requires USDA to implement a program to recognize exemplary breastfeeding support practices at WIC local agencies and clinics. The WIC Program provides breastfeeding promotion and support for pregnant and postpartum mothers as a part of its mission to improve the health of the approximately 6 million Americans it serves each month. Breastfeeding is a priority in WIC and WIC mothers are strongly encouraged to breastfeed their infants unless medically contraindicated.

In recognizing exemplary local agencies and clinics, the HHFKA

requires the Secretary to consider the following criteria: (1) performance measurements of breastfeeding; (2) the effectiveness of a peer counselor program; (3) the extent to which the agency or clinic has partnered with other entities to build a supportive breastfeeding environment for women participating in WIC; and (4) other criteria the Secretary considers appropriate after consultation with State and local program agencies. The information will be submitted voluntarily by WIC local agencies who will be applying for an award. FNS will use the information collected to evaluate the components of existing breastfeeding programs and support in WIC local agencies and make decisions about awards. This program is expected to provide models and motivate local agencies and clinics to strengthen their breastfeeding promotion and support activities.

A notable improvement from past collection requests is that FNS hosts the application process for local agencies fully online. The State agencies continue to conduct their evaluation on PartnerWeb. FNS plans to explore ways to streamline the evaluation for State agencies to improve their user experience. The total estimated time to complete the application is not expected to change.

Affected Public: State, local and Tribal government: Respondent groups identified include local and State WIC agencies.

Estimated Number of Respondents: The total estimated number of participants is 239: 150 local WIC agencies, 89 State WIC agencies.

WIC Peer Counseling is an FNS initiative that equips WIC programs with an implementation and management model—the “WIC Breastfeeding Model for Peer Counseling”—to serve as a framework for designing, building, and sustaining peer counseling programs, a requirement for award eligibility. Since the inception of the program in 2015, a total of 728 awards have been given. In fiscal year (FY) 2020, 138 eligible local agencies applied for an award; in FY 2021, 130 eligible local agencies applied for an award; in FY 2022, 127 eligible local agencies applied for an award; and in FY 2023, 143 eligible local agencies

applied for awards. FNS estimates the annual submitted applications will range from 130–150 applications submitted annually. For small entities WIC estimates that 7–8% (11 applications) of local agency applications do not come from health departments. The estimated number of respondents for the State agency application verification is derived from the total number of State WIC agencies.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: The estimated number of responses per respondent for the WIC local agency is one, as each eligible WIC local agency can submit one application. The estimated number of responses per respondent for the WIC State agency is 2.0, as each WIC State agency will evaluate approximately 2.0 applications annually. These estimates were derived by dividing the total number of responses for the WIC Local Agency Application or the State Agency Evaluation by the respective number of respondents. Overall, the estimated number of responses per respondent across the entire collection is 1.4, which is derived by dividing the total number of responses (328) by the total estimated number of respondents (239).

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 328.

Estimated Time per Response: FNS estimates the WIC local agency application response is 2.5 hours, and the WIC State agency response is 1.5 hours. Overall, the average estimated time for all of the award participants is 2 hours. The estimated average number of hours per response was derived by dividing the number of estimated total hours (642), by the number of total annual responses by all respondents (328). The time for the WIC local agency is an estimated time for the agency to voluntarily review the instructions, fill out the “WIC Breastfeeding Award of Excellence” application, and attach supportive documentation. The time for the State WIC agency is an estimated time for the agency to review the instructions, evaluate the components of the local WIC agencies applications, and make a recommendation for an award.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 642.0 hours.

See the Burden table below for estimated total annual burden for each type of respondent.

Respondent	Estimated number of respondent	Responses annually per respondent	Total annual responses	Estimated avg. number of hours per response *	Estimated total hours
Reporting Burden					
Small Entity Application	11.0	1.0	11.0	2.5	27.5
WIC Local Agency Application	139.0	1.0	139.0	2.5	347.5
WIC State Agency Evaluation	89.0	2.0	178.0	1.5	267.0
Total Reporting Burden	239.0	1.4	328.0	2.0	642.0

* Estimated average # of hours per response includes .5 hours for reviewing instructions.

Tameka Owens,

Assistant Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Arizona Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of virtual briefing.

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 (FACA) that a briefing of the Arizona Advisory Committee (Committee) to the Commission will convene via ZoomGov on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, from 12:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Arizona Time. The purpose of the briefing is to collect testimony from invited panelists regarding racial and/or ethnic disparities in pediatric healthcare in Arizona.

DATES: The briefing will take place on:

- Friday, May 23, 2023, from 12:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Arizona Time

ADDRESSES:

Access Information:

Link to Join (Audio/Visual):

<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1612316896?pwd=bkNaOHZldzhxZDhXSDJNSk5VZEJtdz09>.

Telephone (Audio Only) Dial: 1-833-435-1820 (US Toll-free); Meeting ID: 161 231 6896#.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kayla Fajota, DFO, at kfajota@usccr.gov or (434) 515-2395.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Committee meetings are available to the public through the videoconference link above. Any interested member of the public may listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make

a statement as time allows. Per the Federal Advisory Committee Act, public minutes of the meeting will include a list of persons who are present at the meeting. If joining via phone, 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. Closed captioning will be available for individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or who have certain cognitive or learning impairments. To request additional accommodations, please email kfajota@usccr.gov at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

Members of the public are entitled to make comments during the open period at the end of the meeting. Members of the public may also submit written comments; the comments must be received in the Regional Programs Unit within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Western Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 300 North Los Angeles Street, Suite 2010, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or email Kayla Fajota (DFO) at kfajota@usccr.gov.

Records and documents discussed during the meeting will be available for public viewing prior to and after the meetings at <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/FACAPublicViewCommitteeDetails?id=a10t0000001gzl2AAA>.

Please click on the “Committee Meetings” tab. Records generated from these meetings may also be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Unit, as they become available, both before and after the meetings. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission’s website, <https://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Programs Unit at the above email or street address.

Agenda

- I. Welcome, Roll Call, and Opening Remarks
- II. Panelist Presentations
- III. Committee Q & A
- IV. Public Comment

V. Adjournment

Dated: April 27, 2023.

David Mussatt,

Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Minnesota Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of public 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 Minnesota Advisory Committee (Committee) to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a public meeting via Zoom at 12:30 p.m. CT on Thursday, May 25, 2023, to discuss the Committee’s draft project proposal on housing affordability in the state.

DATES: Thursday, May 25, 2023, from 12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m. Central Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via Zoom.

Registration Link (Audio/Visual):

<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1612943387>.

Join by Phone (Audio Only): (833)

435-1820 USA Toll-Free; Meeting ID: 161 294 3387.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Barreras, Designated Federal Officer, at dbarreras@usccr.gov or (202) 656-8937.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This committee meeting is available to the public through the registration link above. Any interested member of the public may listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. Per the Federal Advisory Committee Act, public minutes of the meeting will include a list of persons who are present at the