ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS—Continued

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
	APPLETREE Annual Performance Report (APR) Template.	30	1	2	60
	CSPECE Qualitative Narrative Form	30	1	1	30
	CSPECE Quantitative Form	30	1	15/60	8
	ATSDR SoilSHOP Form	10	1	7/60	1
	ATSDR Recommendation Follow-up Form	30	4	10/60	20
	ATSDR Requests for Certified and Non-certified PHAs/HCs Form.	30	3	7/60	11
Total					269

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the information collection request titled ''Collaborating Center for Questionnaire Design and Evaluation for the National Center for Health Statistics'' to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. CDC previously published a ''Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations'' notice on March 09, 2026, to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. CDC received one comment on March 27, 2026, expressing support for the program. This notice serves to allow an additional 30 days for public and affected agency comments.

CDC will accept all comments for this proposed information collection project. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

(a) 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;

(b) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(d) 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 submission of responses; and

(e) Assess information collection costs.

To request additional information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, call (404) 639–7570. 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.* Find this particular information collection by selecting ''Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments'' or by using the search function. Direct written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice to the Attention: CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395–5806. Provide written comments within 30 days of notice publication.

Proposed Project

The Collaborating Center for Questionnaire Design and Evaluation Research (CCQDER) (OMB Control No. 0920–0222)—Reinstatement—National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

The Collaborating Center for Questionnaire Design and Evaluation Research (CCQDER) collection was created to evaluate questions for optimal design as well as to provide documentation supporting the validity of NCHS and other agencies' information collections. CCQDER obtains information about the interpretive processes used by respondents to formulate answers to survey questions. Findings are used: (1) to ensure question comparability across respondent groups; (2) to correct any identified problematic questions, for example, those which are vague or ambiguous, cannot be answered readily or accurately by the respondent, or otherwise contribute to the non-sampling errors of the survey; and (3) to provide data usage documentation regarding the phenomena considered by respondents, that is, the specific construct measured by individual questions. Data collection includes a mix of qualitative and quantitative methodologies, including cognitive interviewing, focus groups, usability testing, ethnography, and survey field tests/pilot interviews (in-person/telephone/web).

Section 306 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act (42 U.S.C. 242k), as amended, authorizes that the Secretary of Health and Human Services (DHHS), acting through NCHS, shall undertake and support (by grant or contract) research, demonstrations, and evaluations respecting new or improved methods for obtaining current data to support statistical and epidemiological activities for the purpose of improving the effectiveness, efficiency, and quality of health services in the United States. CCQDER is the focal point within NCHS for questionnaire and survey development, pre-testing, and evaluation activities for CDC surveys such as; the National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG) (OMB No. 0920–0314), the Research and Development Survey (RANDS) (including RANDS COVID), and other federally sponsored surveys.

The CCQDER is requesting three years of OMB Clearance for this Generic Clearance.

The CCQDER and other NCHS programs conduct cognitive interviews, focus groups, in-depth or ethnographic interviews, usability tests, field tests/pilot interviews, and experimental research in laboratory and field settings, both for applied questionnaire development and evaluation as well as more basic research on measurement errors and survey response. The CCQDER at NCHS is the only government facility that currently conducts testing and development of NCHS or other CDC questionnaires. Similar facilities at the Bureau of the Census and the Bureau of Labor Statistics bear the responsibility for testing survey questionnaires associated with their own agencies. The demand for CCQDER activities exceeds available resources. In order to identify duplication across federal agencies, CCQDER hosts a publicly accessible online searchable database, Q-Bank, that contains all CCQDER evaluation reports. CCQDER encourages all agencies to submit their evaluation reports so that it is possible to track the work done across agencies as well as to build in existing knowledge.

An average of 55,900 respondents participates in CCQDER activities in a given year and the average annual respondent burden is estimated to be 14,100 hours. Annualized estimates of respondent burden for each of the questionnaire development studies, over the course of data collection, are provided below. For most questionnaire development studies, it is anticipated that interviews will last one hour. For some questionnaire development studies, questionnaire administration is anticipated to frequently require less than an hour of a respondent's time (for example, a fifteen-minute interview may be conducted), and in rare cases, the burden may be more than one hour. Because the hours per response in questionnaire development studies are expected to vary, we will select the final sample size for each project in such a way that the total burden hours do not exceed the estimate listed above. For focus groups, the usual amount of time is 90 minutes (1.5 hours) which includes instructions and ancillary paperwork. For interviews in the laboratory, time required to travel to the lab is not covered, because distances and modes of transportation are unknown. No retrieval of information by respondents is anticipated; although it is possible that validation of data at some point may require respondents to check records, probably those kept at home. In that case, the study will be designed so that the response time includes record retrieval.

CDC requests OMB approval for an estimated 14,100 annual burden hours. There is no cost to respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE

Types of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average hours per response (in hours)
Individuals or households	Eligibility Screeners	6,000	1	5/60
Individuals or households	Developmental Questionnaires	1,000	1	55/60
Individuals or households	Respondent Data Collection Sheet	1,000	1	5/60
Individuals or households	Focus Group Respondens	100	1	1.5
Individuals or households	RANDS (Methodological Survey)	49,800	1	15/60

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Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on CMS' intention to collect information from the public. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, and to allow a second opportunity for public comment on the notice. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions, the accuracy of the estimated burden, ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

DATES: Comments on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by July 27, 2026.

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.* Find this particular information collection by selecting ''Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments'' or by using the search function.

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, please access the CMS PRA website by copying and pasting the following web address into your web browser: *https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRA-Listing.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Parham at (410) 786–4669.

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