

the Methanol Expert Panel Meeting. To facilitate planning of this meeting, those persons wishing to make oral public comments are asked to contact the CERHR Director by October 10 [Dr. Michael Shelby, NIEHS, 79 T.W. Alexander Drive, Building 4401, Room 103, P.O. Box 12233, MD EC-32, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, Phone: (919) 541-3455; Fax (919) 316-4511; shelby@niehs.nih.gov]. Seven minutes will be available for each speaker (one speaker per organization). When registering to comment orally, please provide your name, affiliation, mailing address, phone, fax, e-mail and sponsoring organization (if any). If possible, also send a copy of the statement or talking points to CERHR by October 10. This information will be provided to the Expert Panel and will assist the Panel in identifying issues for discussion. Registration for presentation of oral comments will also be available at the meeting on October 15 (7:30—8:30 a.m.). Those registering at the meeting are asked to bring 20 copies of their statement or talking points. In lieu of making an oral presentation at the meeting, the public is invited to submit a written statement to CERHR by October 10. This statement will be distributed to CERHR staff and the Methanol Expert Panel and noted in the meeting record.

#### Post-Meeting Public Comments

Following the Methanol Expert Panel Meeting and completion of the Expert Panel Report, public comment will be solicited. This solicitation will be announced in a future **Federal Register** notice.

For other questions about the Draft Methanol Report or the Methanol Expert Panel Meeting, contact Dr. Michael Shelby [CERHR, NIEHS, 79 T.W. Alexander Drive, Building 4401, Room 103, P.O. Box 12233, MD EC-32, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, Phone: (919) 541-3455; Fax (919) 316-4511; shelby@niehs.nih.gov.]

#### Additional Information About CERHR

CERHR invites the nomination of agents for review or scientists for its expert registry. Information about CERHR and the nomination process can be obtained from its homepage (<http://cerhr.niehs.nih.gov>) or by contacting the Center Director, Dr. Shelby (contact information provided above). The Center selects chemicals for evaluation based upon several factors including production volume, extent of human exposure, public concern, and published evidence of reproductive or developmental toxicity. The Center establishes an expert panel to review the

scientific evidence on the chemical(s) under review, to receive public comments, and to prepare a report on the chemical(s). This draft Expert Panel Report is made publicly available for comment on the CERHR web site and upon request from CERHR, and an Expert Panel Meeting is held to discuss and evaluate the draft report. Following the Expert Panel Meeting and completion of the Expert Panel Report, public comment is solicited again.

After this public comment period ends, the NTP staff prepares a NTP Center Report on the evaluated chemical(s) that integrates background information on the chemical(s), findings of the expert panel, and a discussion of any additional, recent studies. The NTP Center Report includes all public comments received on the Expert Panel Report. The final NTP Center Report is made publicly available and distributed to interested stakeholders and to appropriate regulatory and research agencies. The formal evaluation process is outlined below.

#### CERHR Review Process

- Chemical Nominations.
- Open nomination process includes interested individuals, NTP Executive Committee, Federal Agencies, NTP Staff, Labor Unions, Industry
- CERHR Multi-agency Core Committee.
- Nominations reviewed quarterly by Core Committee made up of NTP agency representatives
  - Highest priority chemicals identified based on production volume, evidence of reproductive or developmental toxicity, human exposure, public concern
  - Center staff prepares dossiers on priority chemicals for review by Core Committee
  - Core Committee recommends candidate chemicals to be considered for evaluation
  - Candidate chemicals approved by Associate Director, NTP
  - First Solicitation of Public Comment.
  - Notice of candidate chemicals and request for public comment published in **Federal Register**, NTP Newsletter and listserver, and CERHR web site
  - Center staff compiles public comments for review by the Core Committee
  - CERHR Core Committee Review.
  - Reviews dossiers and material submitted in public comments
  - Recommends list of prioritized chemicals to Associate Director, NTP, for final selection

- Second Solicitation of Public Comment.

—**Federal Register** notice announces selected chemical(s) and solicits public comment, new data, information on exposure, and nominations of individuals qualified to serve on the Expert Panel

- Third Solicitation of Public Comment.

—**Federal Register** notice announces availability of sections 1–4 of the Draft Expert Panel Report, requests public comments, and announces the Expert Panel Meeting

- Expert Panel Meeting.
- The Panel meets in public session to discuss their review of the literature and to prepare the final panel report
- The meeting includes time for presentation of public comments
- Final Solicitation of Public Comment.

—**Federal Register** notice announces availability of Expert Panel Report and requests public comment

- NTP Center Report Transmitted.
- NTP staff prepares an NTP Center Report on the chemical(s). This report integrates background information on the chemical evaluated, the findings in the Expert Panel Report, a discussion of any recent relevant study findings, public comments, and an executive summary that includes conclusions intended for a readership of non-scientists
- The Center Report is distributed to Federal and state agencies, interested stakeholders, and the public

Dated: July 2, 2001.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 concerning opportunity for public comment on proposed collections of information, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information

on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the information collection plans, call the SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443-7978.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collections of information are 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) 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 respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

*Proposed Project:* The National Historically Black College and University Substance Use Survey Project—New—The National Historically Black College and University (HBCU) Substance Abuse Consortium, sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Services Administration's Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), was organized in an effort to increase awareness of substance abuse related problems on our nation's HBCU campuses. To this end, CSAT and the Consortium's major objectives include: (a) Assess the prevalence of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use at participating institutions and identify strategies for combating the problem; (b) enhance substance abuse curriculum development that will lead to degrees in substance abuse treatment and prevention; (c) provide resources for the development of substance abuse education awareness programs on campuses, and (d) provide resources for the necessary counseling and referral for students with substance abuse problems.

This survey will be used to assess the extent of substance knowledge, attitudes and behaviors in first semester freshmen at HBCUs across the country. The survey is an anonymous, self-report 65-item questionnaire. The objectives of this project are to assess the attitudes,

knowledge and behaviors of entering freshmen students in a select sample of 40 HBCU's and to determine the extent of problem behavior as it relates to substance abuse on these campuses. This data will give valuable information that will enable CSAT and Consortium schools to meet the above objectives. A follow-up survey activity is planned during the students' junior year which will allow for an examination of the changes in attitudes, behaviors and knowledge as the students matriculate on the campuses. The National HBCU Substance Use Survey project will be able to fill gaps in the literature and contribute incremental knowledge about an important, but understudied population.

The burden estimates are summarized below and include time for distributing the survey questionnaire, giving instructions and collecting the completed questionnaires. This burden will be experienced over a three-year period.

| Survey         | Number of respondents | Responses per respondent | Average burden per response (Hr.) | Total burden |
|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Freshmen ..... | 35,000                | 1                        | 1                                 | 35,000       |
| Juniors .....  | 35,000                | 1                        | 1                                 | 29,750       |
| Total .....    | 29,750                |                          |                                   | 64,759       |

Send comments to Nancy Pearce, SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 16-105, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: July 9, 2001.

**Richard Kopanda,**

*Executive Officer, SAMHSA.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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### Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment; Notice of Funding Availability and Application Kit for the Community Development Work Study Program (CDWSP)

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** *Comment Due Date:* September 14, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name or OMB Control Number and be sent to: Reports Liaison Officer, Office of Policy Development and Research, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 8226, Washington, DC 20410.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jane Karadibil, Office of University Partnerships—telephone (202) 708-1537. This is not a toll-free number.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected entities concerning the proposed information collection to: (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; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of the Proposal:* Notice of Funding Availability and Application Kit for the Community Development Work Study Program (CDWSP).

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* The