

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Administration for Children and Families****Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request; Proposed Projects**

*Title:* Supporting Healthy Marriage Project Baseline Data Collection Extension.

*OMB No.:* 0970-0299.

*Description:* The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is conducting an evaluation study titled Supporting Healthy Marriage (SHM). This is a large-scale, multi-site, rigorous test of marriage and relationship skills education programs for low-income

married couples. The baseline information collection for the study was previously approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB Number 0970-0299) and expires on May 31, 2009. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of ACF's intent to request an extension of this clearance prior to its expiration.

The SHM project is founded on research that indicates that both adults in healthy marriages and their children do better on a host of outcomes. The evaluation study will determine the interim and long-term effectiveness of eight local programs by comparing outcomes on a range of measures for couples and children in the program group to a comparable group of couples randomly assigned to a control group.

Baseline information is collected from couples at the time they volunteer to participate in a SHM program. The baseline data collection provides information about the characteristics of the husband and wife and information about their attitudes and beliefs about their relationship at study entry. This information will be used to inform the public, program operators and policymakers about the characteristics of married couples who volunteer for marriage education programs, and, among other uses, it will be used to define and conduct analyses of key sub groups, addressing a key study question of who benefits most from this type of marriage education service.

*Respondents:* Low-income married couples.

**ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES**

Instrument	Annual number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response (minutes)	Estimated annual burden hours
Eligibility Checklist .....	3,126	1	5	261
Informed Consent Form .....	3,126	1	10	521
Baseline Information Form .....	3,126	1	9	469
Self-Administered Questionnaire .....	3,126	1	11	573
Contact Information Sheet .....	3,126	1	10	521

*Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 2,345.

*Additional Information:* In compliance with the requirements of section 506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. E-mail address: [OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov). All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

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.

Dated: September 26, 2008.

**Brendan C. Kelly,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Administration for Children and Families****Office of Child Support Enforcement**

**AGENCY:** Office of Child Support Enforcement, ACF, DHHS.

**ACTION:** Notice to award a sole-source discretionary grant.

*CFDA#:* 93.564.

*Legislative Authority:* Section 1115 of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C.1315] provides funds and authority to award grants to State IV-D agencies for

experimental, pilot, or demonstration projects.

*Amount of Award:* \$703,000.00.

*Project Period:* September 30, 2008–February 27, 2010.

**SUMMARY:** A sole-source discretionary grant is being awarded to the Office of the Attorney General, Texas, to provide marriage and relationship education, parenting skills training, case management and home-visiting activities to unwed, new or expectant parents in Tom Green and Harris counties, Texas. The project will examine child support outcomes of families in the treatment and control groups from this project and from a previous project. This grant will also enable collection of data on child well-being outcomes, such as number of well-baby health visits, immunizations, home-safety (using a standardized checklist completed by a home visitor), child development (using the Ages and Stages Questionnaire, a standardized tool), and quality of the home environment.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Myles Schlank, Supervisory Program Specialist, Office of Child Support Enforcement, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447. Telephone:

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Dated: September 26, 2008.

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Support Enforcement.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request the Hispanic Community Health Study (HCHS)/Study of Latinos (SOL)**

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), the National Institutes of Health (NIH) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for

review and approval. *Proposed Collection: Title:* Hispanic Community Health Study (HCHS)/Study of Latinos (SOL). *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision. OMB# 0925-0584, exp. 2/28/2011. *Need and Use of Information Collection:* The Hispanic Community Health Study (HCHS)/Study of Latinos (SOL) will identify risk factors for cardiovascular and lung disease in Hispanic populations and determine the role of acculturation in the prevalence and development of these diseases. Hispanics, now the largest minority population in the US, are influenced by factors associated with immigration from different cultural settings and environments, including changes in diet, activity, community support, working conditions, and health care access. This project is a multicenter, six-and-a-half year epidemiologic study and will recruit 16,000 Hispanic men and women aged 18-74 in four community-based cohorts in Chicago, Miami, San Diego, and the Bronx. The study will also examine measures of obesity, physical activity, nutritional habits, diabetes, lung and sleep function, cognitive function,

hearing, and dental conditions. Closely integrated with the research component will be a community and professional education component, with the goals of bringing the research results back to the community, improving recognition and control of risk factors, and attracting and training Hispanic researchers in epidemiology and population-based research. *Frequency of Response:* The participants will be contacted annually. *Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Businesses or other for profit; Small businesses or organizations. *Type of Respondents:* Individuals or households; physicians. The annual reporting burden is as follows: *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 30,320; *Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 2.238; *Average Burden Hours Per Response:* 0.7161; and *Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested:* 48,583. The annualized cost to respondents is estimated at \$753,285, assuming respondents time at the rate of \$15 per hour and physician time at the rate of \$55 per hour. There are no Capital Costs to report. There are no Operating or Maintenance Costs to report.

#### ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL HOUR BURDEN

Type of response	Number of respondents	Frequency of responses	Average hours per response	Annual hour burden
Participant Recruitment Contact .....	29,036	1	0.123	3,571
Participant Examinations and Questionnaires .....	<sup>1</sup> 5,333	1	6.49	34,611
Participant Telephone Interviews .....	<sup>1</sup> 5,333	1	1.83	9,759
Physician, Medical Examiner, next of kin or other contact follow-up <sup>2</sup> .....	1,284	1	.50	642
Total unique respondents .....	30,320	.....	.....	48,583

<sup>1</sup> Subset of participant recruitment contact

<sup>2</sup> Annual burden is placed on doctors and respondent relatives/informants through requests for information which will help in the compilation of the number and nature of new fatal and nonfatal events

*Request for Comments:* Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited on one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) 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) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological

collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, contact Dr. Larissa Aviles-Santa, Deputy Project Officer, NIH, NHLBI, 6701 Rockledge Drive, MSC 7936, Bethesda, MD 20892-7936, or call non-toll-free number 301-435-0450 or e-mail your request, including your address to:

AvilessantaL@NHLBI.NIH.GOV.

*Comments Due Date:* Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 60-days of the date of this publication.

Dated: September 22, 2008.

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Population Sciences.*

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