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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

Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs (0930-0158, revision)—SAMHSA will request OMB approval for the Federal Drug Testing Custody and Control Form for Federal agency and federally regulated drug testing programs which must comply with the HHS Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs (59 FR 29908) dated June 9, 1994, and for the information provided by laboratories for the National Laboratory Certification Program (NLCP). The Federal Drug Testing Custody and Control Form is

used by all Federal agencies and employers regulated by the Department of Transportation to document the collection and chain of custody of urine specimens at the collection site, for laboratories to report results, and for Medical Review Officers to make a determination. The Federal Drug Testing Custody and Control Form is being revised. Major changes include eliminating the split specimen copy, simplifying the chain of custody requirements, revising the outcomes for the laboratory test results, revising the collection instructions, and ensuring that the form follows the sequence of events. Prior to an inspection, a laboratory is required to submit specific information regarding its laboratory procedures to allow inspectors to become familiar with a laboratory's procedures before arriving at the laboratory.

The annual total burden estimates for the Federal Drug Testing Custody and Control Form, the NLCP application, the NLCP inspection checklist, and NLCP recordkeeping requirements is 1,790,664 Hours, as shown below:

Form/respondent	Burden/response (hrs.)	Number of responses	Total annual burden (hrs.)
Custody and Control Form:			
Donor .....	.083	7,093,000	588,719
Collector .....	.067	7,093,000	475,231
Laboratory .....	.050	7,093,000	354,650
Medical Review Officer .....	.050	7,093,000	354,650
Laboratory Application	3.000	2	6
Laboratory Inspection Checklist	3.000	136	408
Laboratory Recordkeeping	250.000	68	17,000
Total .....	.....	.....	1,790,664

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.

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Center for Mental Health Services; Center for Substance Abuse Prevention; Center for Substance Abuse Treatment; Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, HHS; Notice of Technical Assistance Workshops

Notice is hereby given of the following workshops for the provision of technical assistance to potential applicants for SAMHSA grants.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA's) Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), Center for Substance

Abuse Prevention (CSAP) and Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), are offering a series of three, two-day regional Technical Assistance Workshops for prospective applicants. These workshops will be conducted jointly by the three SAMHSA Centers to provide support to prospective applicants in preparing their applications in response to published grant announcements.

It is anticipated that several SAMHSA grant announcements will be featured at the workshop, including:

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention

Community-Initiated Prevention Interventions

Cooperative Agreements for Parenting and Family Strengthening Prevention Interventions