

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING THE TYPES OF USERS AND THEIR PURPOSES FOR USING THE RECORDS:

a. To contracting officers and other Federal, State, and local government employees involved in procuring goods and services with Federal funds or administering Federal financial assistance programs or benefits to determine a party's eligibility status to participate in Federal procurement and nonprocurement programs.

b. To a Federal, State, local, or foreign agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or carrying out a statute, rule, regulation, or order where the records clearly indicate, or when seen with other records indicate, a violation of civil or criminal law or regulation, when the information is needed to perform a Federal duty or to decide the issues.

c. To a Federal, State or local agency, financial institution or a healthcare or industry provider that administers Federal financial or non-financial assistance programs or benefits, when the information is needed to determine eligibility.

d. To an expert, consultant, contractor, Federal, State or local agency, or financial institution, when the information is needed to perform a Federal duty.

e. To an appeal, grievance, or formal complaints examiner, an equal employment opportunity investigator, an arbitrator, a union representative, or other official engaged in investigating or settling a grievance, complaint, or appeal filed by an employee, when the information is needed to decide the issues.

f. To a requesting Federal, State or local agency, financial institution, or a healthcare or industry provider in connection with hiring or retaining an employee, issuing a security clearance, investigating an employee, clarifying a job, letting a contract, or issuing a license, grant, or other benefit by the requesting agency where the information is needed to decide on a Federal financial or non-financial assistance program or benefit.

g. To a member of Congress or to a congressional staff member in response to a request from the person who is the subject of the record, when the information is needed to perform a Federal duty.

h. To the Department of Justice when an agency, an agency employee, or the United States is a party to or has an interest in litigation, and the records are needed to pursue the litigation.

i. To a court or judicial body when an agency, an agency employee, or the United States is a party to or has an

interest in litigation, and the records are needed to pursue the litigation.

j. To the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the Government Accountability Office (GAO) or the Interagency Suspension and Debarment Committee (ISDC) when the information is required for program evaluation purposes.

k. To the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) for records management purposes.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, ACCESSING, RETRIEVING, MAINTAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Electronic records are stored on readily accessible servers and backed up to tape media. Paper records are stored in file folders.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Electronic records are retrieved by Exact Name, Partial Name, Action Dates, Termination Dates, Create Dates, Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS), Classification, Exclusion Type, CT Code, Agency, U.S. State, Country, Cage Code, verification of Name with the Social Security Number (SSN) or the Tax Identification Number (TIN), and verification of Name with residential street address.

SAFEGUARDS:

System records are safeguarded in accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the Computer Security Enhancement Act of 1997, and the EPLS Security Plan. Technical, administrative, and personnel security measures are implemented to ensure confidentiality and integrity of the system data that is stored, processed, and transmitted. Paper records are stored in locked filing cabinets when not in use or are kept in secured rooms, accessible to authorized users only. The Debar Maintenance and Administration portals are ID and password protected. The public portal does not require ID and passwords because privacy protected information is not available on the public site.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Electronic records of past exclusions are maintained permanently in the archive list for historical reference. Federal agencies reporting exclusion information in the EPLS should follow their agency's guidance and policies for disposition of paper records.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Integrated Acquisition Environment Program Manager, Office of the Chief

Acquisition Officer, General Services Administration, 2011 Crystal Drive, Suite 911, Arlington, VA 22202.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals receive prior notification that their names will be contained in the EPLS from the Agency that takes the action to exclude them from Federal procurement and nonprocurement programs. An individual may retrieve system records by accessing the EPLS public portal, which displays publicly available information only.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURE:

Requests from individuals to determine the specifics of a record included in the EPLS should be addressed to the Agency Point of Contact (POC) identified in the record.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURE:

The procedures for contesting the content of a record and appealing an initial decision may be found in 41 CFR Part 105-64. Individuals should contact the Agency Point of Contact (POC) identified in the record to commence a record contest or appeal.

RECORD SOURCES:

Federal agencies are the source for entering record information in the EPLS. [FR Doc. E6-20484 Filed 12-04-06; 8:45 am]

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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

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) publishes a list of information collection requests under review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of these requests, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer at (404) 639-5960 or send an e-mail to omb@cdc.gov. Send written comments to CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC or by fax to (202) 395-6974. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

Performance Evaluation Program for *Mycobacterium Tuberculosis* and Non-Tuberculous *Mycobacterium* (NTM) Drug Susceptibility Testing (0920-

0600)—Extension—National Center for Health Marketing (NCHM), Coordinating Center for Health Information and Service (COCHIS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Background and Brief Description

While the overall number of cases of TB in the U.S. has decreased, rates still remain high among foreign-born persons, prisoners, homeless populations, and individuals infected with HIV in major metropolitan areas. The rate of TB cases detected in foreign-born persons has been reported to be almost nine times higher than the rate among the U.S. born population. CDC's goal to eliminate TB will be virtually impossible without considerable effort in assisting heavy disease burden countries in the reduction of tuberculosis. As part of the continuing effort to support both domestic and global public health objectives for treatment of tuberculosis (TB),

prevention of multi-drug resistance and surveillance programs, the National Center for Health Marketing, Division of Laboratory Systems (DLS) seeks to continue to collect information from domestic private clinical and public health laboratories twice per year. Participation and information collections from international laboratories are limited to those which have public health responsibilities for tuberculosis drug susceptibility testing and approval by their national tuberculosis program. The *M. tuberculosis*/NTM program supports this role by monitoring the level of performance and practices among laboratories performing *M. tuberculosis* susceptibility within the U.S. as well as internationally to promote high-quality laboratory testing, resulting in accurate and reliable results.

Information collected in this program includes the susceptibility test results of

primary and secondary drugs, concentrations, and test methods performed by laboratories on a set of challenge isolates sent twice yearly. A portion of the response instrument collects demographic data such as laboratory type and the number of tests performed annually. By providing an evaluation program to assess the ability of the laboratories to test for drug resistant *M. tuberculosis* and selected strains of NTM, laboratories have a self-assessment tool to aid in maximizing their skills in susceptibility testing. Information obtained from laboratories on susceptibility testing practices and procedures assists with determining variables related to good performance, with assessing areas for training and with developing practice standards.

There are no costs to respondents other than their time. The estimated annualized burden hours are 165.332.

Estimate of Annualized Burden Hours

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)
Laboratories U.S. and foreign	Enrollment	2	1	(5/60) 0.0833
	Information change	2	1	(5/60) 0.0833
	Results Form	165	2	(30/60) 0.5

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Proposed Project

Evaluation of Efficacy of Household Water Filtration/Treatment Devices in Households with Private Wells—Revision (OMB No. 0920-0670)—National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

Approximately 42.4 million people in the United States are served by private wells. Unlike community water systems, private wells are not regulated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). Under the SDWA, EPA sets maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) for contaminants in drinking water. A 1997 U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) report on drinking water concluded that users of private wells may face higher exposure levels to groundwater contaminants than users of community water systems. Increasingly, the public is concerned about drinking water quality, and the public's use of water treatment devices rose from 27% in 1995 to 41% in 2001 (*Water Quality Association, 2001 National Consumer Water Quality Survey*). Studies evaluating the efficacy of water treatment devices on removal of pathogens and other contaminants have

assessed the efficacy of different treatment technologies.

The purpose of the proposed study is to evaluate how water treatment device efficacy is affected by user behaviors such as maintenance and selection of appropriate technologies. Working with public health authorities in Colorado, Maine, Missouri, Nebraska, North Carolina, and Wisconsin, NCEH will recruit 600 households to participate in a study to determine whether people using water treatment devices are protected from exposure to contaminants found in their well water. We plan to recruit households on private well water that use water filtration/treatment devices to treat tap water for drinking and cooking. Study participants will be selected from geographical areas of each state where groundwater is known or suspected to contain contaminants of public health concern. We will administer a questionnaire at each household to obtain information on selection of water treatment type, adherence to suggested maintenance, and reasons for use of treatment device. We will also obtain samples of treated water and untreated well water at each household to analyze for contaminants of public health concern. There is no cost to respondents