

falsely demonstrate a difference in bone density when there was none. The numerical data were presented at a lab meeting, and false text was included in two submitted meeting abstracts published in *Bone* 48:Suppl 2, pS97 and *J Bone and Mineral Research* 25:Suppl 1, pS215.

Both the Respondent and HHS want to conclude this matter without further expenditure of time or other resources and have entered into a Voluntary Settlement Agreement (Agreement) to resolve this matter.

Dr. Boisse-Duplan has entered into a Voluntary Settlement Agreement and has voluntarily agreed:

(1) That if within two (2) years from the effective date of the Agreement Respondent does receive or apply for PHS support, Respondent agrees to have his research supervised for a period of two (2) years beginning on the date of his employment in a research position in which he receives or applies for PHS support and to notify his employer(s)/ institution(s) of the terms of this supervision; Respondent agrees that prior to the submission of an application for PHS support for a research project on which the Respondent's participation is proposed and prior to Respondent's participation in any capacity on PHS-supported research, Respondent shall ensure that a plan for supervision of Respondent's duties is submitted to ORI for approval; the supervision plan must be designed to ensure the scientific integrity of Respondent's research contribution; Respondent agrees that he shall not participate in any PHS-supported research until such a supervision plan is submitted to and approved by ORI; Respondent agrees to maintain responsibility for compliance with the agreed upon supervision plan;

(2) That if within two (2) years from the effective date of the Agreement, Respondent does receive or apply for PHS support, Respondent agrees that any institution employing him shall submit, in conjunction with each application for PHS funds, or report, manuscript, or abstract involving PHS-supported research in which Respondent is involved, a certification to ORI that the data provided by Respondent are based on actual experiments or are otherwise legitimately derived and that the data, procedures, and methodology are accurately reported in the application, report, manuscript, or abstract; and

(3) To exclude himself voluntarily from serving in any advisory capacity to PHS including, but not limited to, service on any PHS advisory committee, board, and/or peer review committee, or

as a consultant for a period of two (2) years, beginning on December 4, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Rockville, MD 20852, (240) 453-8200.

David E. Wright,

Director, Office of Research Integrity.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office Of The Secretary

Notice of Interest Rate on Overdue Debts

Section 30.18 of the Department of Health and Human Services' claims collection regulations (45 CFR part 30) provides that the Secretary shall charge an annual rate of interest, which is determined and fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury after considering private consumer rates of interest on the date that the Department of Health and Human Services becomes entitled to recovery. The rate cannot be lower than the Department of Treasury's current value of funds rate or the applicable rate determined from the "Schedule of Certified Interest Rates with Range of Maturities" unless the Secretary waives interest in whole or part, or a different rate is prescribed by statute, contract, or repayment agreement. The Secretary of the Treasury may revise this rate quarterly. The Department of Health and Human Services publishes this rate in the **Federal Register**.

The current rate of 10 ⅜%, as fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury, is certified for the quarter ended September 30, 2012. This interest rate is effective until the Secretary of the Treasury notifies the Department of Health and Human Services of any change.

Dated: December 17, 2012.

Margie Yanchuk,

Director, Office of Financial Policy and Reporting.

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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 (404) 639-7570 or send an email to omb@cdc.gov. Send written comments to CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC or by fax to (202) 395-5806. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

Early Hearing Detection and Intervention—Pediatric Audiology Links to Service (EHDI-PALS) Facility Survey—New—National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

The Division of Human Development and Disability, located within NCBDDD, promotes the health of babies, children, and adults, with a focus on preventing birth defects and developmental disabilities and optimizing the health outcomes of those with disabilities. Since the passage of the Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Act, 97% of newborn infants are now screened for hearing loss prior to hospital discharge. However, many of these infants have not received needed hearing test and follow up services after their hospital discharges. The 2009 national average loss to follow-up/loss to documentation rate is at 45%. This rate remains an area of critical concern for state EHDI programs and CDC-EHDI team's goal of timely diagnosis by 3 months of age and intervention by 6 months of age. Many states cite the lack of audiology resource as the main factor behind the high loss to follow up. To compound the problem, many pediatric audiologists may be proficient evaluating children age 5 and older but are not proficient with diagnosing infants or younger children because children age 5 and younger requires a different skill set. To date no existing literature or database is available to help states verify and quantify their states' true follow up capacity.

EHDI-PALS is a project conceptualized by the CDC-EHDI team with input from an advisory group of external partners. EHDI-PALS workgroup has broad representation from American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA), American Academy of Audiology (AAA), Joint Committee on Infant Hearing (JCIH), National Centre for Hearing Assessment and Management (NCHAM), Directors of Speech and Hearing Programs in State Health & Welfare Agencies (DSHPHWA), Healthcare Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), University of Maine Center for Research and Evaluation, and Hands & Voices (H&V). Meeting since April 2010, the EHDI-PALS workgroup has sought consensus on the loss to follow up/loss to documentation issue facing the EHDI programs. A survey, based on standard of care practice, was developed for state EHDI programs to quantify the pediatric audiology resource distribution within

their state, particularly audiology facilities that are equipped to provide follow up services for children age 5 and younger. The survey will also capture how often providers report diagnostic hearing test results to their state EHDI jurisdiction.

CDC is requesting OMB approval to collect audiology facility information from audiologists or facility managers over a one-year period. The survey will allow CDC-EHDI team and state EHDI programs to compile a systematic, quantifiable distribution of audiology facilities and the capacity of each facility to provide services for children age 5 and younger. The data collected will also allow the CDC-EHDI team to analyze facility distribution data to improve technical assistance to State EHDI programs.

Respondents will all be audiologists who manage a facility or provide audiologic care for children age 5 and younger. Based on calculation from

ASHA's biannual membership survey (available in ASHA.org) we estimate approximately 1500 audiologists will respond to the survey. To minimize burden and improve convenience, the survey will be available via a secure password protected Web site. Placing the survey on the Internet ensures convenient, on-demand access by the audiologists. Financial cost is minimized because no mailing fee will be associated with sending or responding to this survey.

It is estimated that potentially 2000 audiologists will read through the purpose statement of this survey located on page one to decide whether or not to complete the survey. It is estimated that potentially 1500 audiologists will complete the survey, which will average 9 minutes per respondent. The estimated annual burden is 258 hours. There are no costs to respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Respondents	Form Name	Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden per Response (in minutes)
Audiologists	survey	2000	1	1/60
Audiologists	introduction survey	1500	1	9/60

Dated: December 20, 2011.

Ron A. Otten,

Director, Office of Scientific Integrity (OSI), Office of the Associate Director for Science (OADS), Office of the Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA-2012-0033; OMB No. 1660-0082]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Application for Community Disaster Loan Cancellation; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal

agencies to take this opportunity to comment on an extension of a currently approved collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning Community Disaster Loans (CDLs) offered to local governments that have suffered substantial losses of taxes or other revenues as a result of a major disaster or emergency. FEMA shall cancel repayment of all or part of a Community Disaster Loan if, as a result of the disaster, the revenues of the local government during the full three fiscal year period following the disaster are insufficient to meet the local government's operating budget.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 26, 2013.

ADDRESSES: To avoid duplicate submissions to the docket, please use only one of the following means to submit comments:

(1) *Online.* Submit comments at www.regulations.gov under Docket ID FEMA-2010-0033. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

(2) *Mail.* Submit written comments to Docket Manager, Office of Chief Counsel, DHS/FEMA, 500 C Street SW.,

Room 835, Washington, DC 20472-3100.

All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket ID. Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice that is available on the homepage of www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Victor Kurz, Program Manager, Community Disaster Loans, Technology and Support Branch, Public Assistance Program, Recovery Directorate, 202-646-7947. You may contact the Records Management Division for copies of the proposed collection of information at facsimile number (202) 646-3347 or email address: FEMA-Information-Collections-Management@dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Community Disaster Loan (CDL) Program is authorized by section 417 of the Disaster Relief Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-288), as amended by the Robert T.