

(a) *Authority Delegated.*

Authority to conduct public awareness and information activities under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), Public Law No. 106–386, § 106(b), 22 U.S.C. 7104(b).

(b) *Limitations and Conditions.*

1. This Delegation shall be exercised under the Department's existing delegation of authority and policy on regulations.

2. This delegation shall be exercised under financial and administrative requirements applicable to all Administration for Children and Families' authorities.

3. The Director of the Anti-Trafficking in Persons Division must report to the Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement, and the Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement, must report to the Assistant Secretary prior to carrying out public awareness and information activities.

(c) *Effective Date.*

This delegation of authority is effective upon the date of signature.

(d) *Effect on Existing Delegations.*

None.

In addition, I have affirmed and ratified any actions taken by the Director, Anti-Trafficking in Persons Division which involved the exercise of this authority prior to the effective date of this delegation.

Dated: January 15, 2008.

Brent Orrell,

Acting Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement.

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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 (SAMHSA) 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 (240) 276–1243.

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.

Project: Community Mental Health Services Block Grant Application Guidance and Instruction, FY 2009–2011 (OMB No. 0930–0168)—Revision

Sections 1911 through 1920 of the Public Health Services Act (42 U.S.C. 300x through 300x-9) provide for annual allotments to assist States to establish or expand an organized, community-based system of care for adults with serious mental illnesses and children with

serious emotional disturbances. Under these provisions of the law, States may receive allotments only after an application is submitted and approved by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services.

For the FY 2009–2011 Community Mental Health Services Block Grant application cycle, SAMHSA will provide States guidance and instructions to guide development of comprehensive State applications/plans and implementation reports. In order to develop this guidance, SAMHSA convened a working group of State representatives to provide input and suggestions regarding the organization and content of the guidance. To the extent possible, these suggestions were incorporated into proposed revisions for the 2009–2011 application cycle. These proposed revisions to the guidance include:

(1) Streamlining the process for reporting States' use of the block grant to support mental health transformation. Revisions to the FY2008 guidance required a new request for information regarding funding for mental health transformation. A number of States indicated that their fiscal processes did not permit reporting in the manner requested. Other States suggested that the reporting burden was significantly increased while the information provided did not accurately reflect the range of transformation activities they were engaged in.

This issue was the principal focus of the State working group, and the proposed FY2009–2011 guidance makes significant revisions based on the input of the group. The revisions include narrowing from 20 to six (6) the number of transformation categories for which States are asked to provide the amount of block grant funding used to support specific activities in FY2009. The new Table C which States are requested to complete follows:

	Column 1		Column 2	
	Is MHBG funding used to support this goal? If yes, please check.		If yes, please provide the actual or estimated amount of MHBG funding that will be used to support this transformation goal in FY2009.	
			Actual	Estimated
GOAL 1: Americans Understand that Mental Health Is Essential to Overall Health				
GOAL 2: Mental Health Care is Consumer and Family Driven				
GOAL 3: Disparities in Mental Health Services are Eliminated				
GOAL 4: Early Mental Health Screening, Assessment, and Referral to Services are Common Practice				
GOAL 5: Excellent Mental Health Care Is Delivered and Research Is Accelerated				

	Column 1	Column 2	
	Is MHBG funding used to support this goal? If yes, please check.	If yes, please provide the actual or estimated amount of MHBG funding that will be used to support this transformation goal in FY2009.	
		Actual	Estimated
GOAL 6: Technology Is Used to Access Mental Health Care and Information			
Total MHBG Funds	N/A		

In addition to revising the transformation data table, the guidance makes additional changes, including: (a) Eliminating the requirement that transformation activities be tracked within the context of the five (5) block grant statutory criteria; (b) consolidating requests for narrative regarding transformation activities into a single section; and (c) eliminating redundancy by allowing States to refer to other sections that include similar material. In collaboration with the State working group, SAMHSA identified and eliminated requests for data regarding transformation activities that are collected through other State funding sources.

With these revisions, SAMHSA has simplified the reporting process for States while still ensuring that it receives data and information necessary to understand and monitor the role of the block grant in supporting State mental health transformation efforts.

(2) Reorganizing and consolidating sections of the guidance to improve readability and clarity and to reduce redundancy. For example, instructions regarding the general format of the application now are found in one section of the guidance. In addition, specific provisions in sections requiring applications to track the five (5) statutory criteria and in sections regarding reporting performance indicators in the State Implementation

Report were reorganized to improve the logical flow of the application. In addition, the guidance clarifies that States may refer to other sections of the application where appropriate, rather than repeating identical information in multiple sections of the application. All sections of the guidance were edited for clarity.

(3) Eliminating Table 18 from the Uniform Reporting System (URS) tables that States must submit. The URS is a set of standardized tables designed to track individuals State performance over time and to aggregate State information to develop a national picture of State public mental health systems. Table 18 was intended to produce a profile of adults with schizophrenia receiving new generation medications during the year. A review of all URS tables determined that the data reported on table 18 is not comparable across States and has limited usefulness to CMHS or States in planning and improving mental health systems. In addition, Table 18 was reported to have the lowest amount of utility but the greatest reporting burden for States.

(4) Eliminating the requirement that States complete a State-Level Reporting Capacity Checklist for submission to the State Data Infrastructure Coordinating Center.

This MHBG Guidance has been developed based on current statute. The

agency is aware that Congress is currently considering legislation to reauthorize SAMHSA. The reauthorization bill proposes substantive changes to the MHBG that would affect this Guidance. Upon passage of reauthorization legislation, the Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) will contact States to provide additional guidance that may be needed to complete the MHBG application and Implementation Report. If significant changes to MHBG requirements, State plans, or data collection are included in the final reauthorization law, CMHS may revise and re-submit this guidance for public comment through the **Federal Register**.

SAMHSA is requesting approval of this guidance for FY 2009, 2010, and 2011. The 2007–2011 SAMHSA Data Strategy has just been released to the public. Goal #2 of the Data Strategy specifically deals with performance data and includes specific milestones for the next few years, including the development of client level outcome measures for the states by 2011. CMHS may revise and re-submit this guidance to reflect the adoption of client level measures for future block grant applications if sufficient progress is made over the next 3 years.

The following table summarizes the annual burden for the revised application.

Application	Number of respondents	Responses/ respondent	Burden response (hrs)	Total burden hours
Plan:				
1 year	44	1	180	7,920
2 year	6	1	150	900
3 year	9	1	110	900
Implementation Report	59	1	75	4,425
URS Tables	59	1	40	2,360
Total	59			16,595

Send comments to Summer King, SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 7-1044, One Choke Cherry Road, Rockville, MD 20857 and e-mail her a copy at summer.king@samhsa.hhs.gov. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: January 22, 2008.

Elaine Parry,

Acting Director, Office of Program Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2007-0173]

Area Maritime Security Committee, South Texas; Vacancies

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Solicitation for membership.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership in the Area Maritime Security Committee, South Texas. The Committee assists the Captain of the Port, Corpus Christi, in developing, renewing, and updating the Area Maritime Security plan for their area of responsibility.

DATES: Requests for membership should reach the Captain of the Port, Corpus Christi, on or before February 1, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Submit applications for membership to the Captain of the Port, Corpus Christi, Commander, USCG Sector Corpus Christi, 8930 Ocean Drive, Hangar 41, Corpus Christi, Texas 78419.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John Zarbock at 361-888-3162 (X501).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Committee

The Area Maritime Security Committee, South Texas (The Committee) is established under, and governed by 33 CFR part 103, subpart C. The functions of the committee include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (1) Identifying critical port infrastructure and operations
- (2) Identifying risks (i.e., threats, vulnerabilities and consequences).
- (3) Determining strategies and implementation methods for mitigation.
- (4) Developing and describing the process for continuously evaluating overall port security by considering consequences and vulnerabilities, how they may change over time, and what additional mitigation strategies can be applied.

(5) Advising and assisting the Captain of the Port in developing, reviewing, and updating the Area Maritime Security Plan under 33 CFR part 103, subpart E.

Positions Available on the Committee

There are three vacancies on the Committee. Members may be selected from

- (1) The Federal, Territorial, or Tribal government;
- (2) The State government and political subdivisions of the State;
- (3) Local public safety, crisis management, and emergency response agencies;
- (4) Law enforcement and security organizations;
- (5) Maritime industry, including labor;
- (6) Other port stakeholders having a special competence in maritime security; and
- (7) Port stakeholders affected by security practices and policies.

In support of the Coast Guard's policy on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

Qualification of Members

Members must have at least 5 years of experience related to maritime or port security operations. Applicants may be required to pass an appropriate security background check before appointment to the Committee.

The terms of office for each vacancy is 5 years. However, a member may serve one additional term of office. Members are not salaried or otherwise compensated for their service on the Committee.

Format for Applications

Applications for membership may be in any format. However, because members must demonstrate an interest in the security of the area covered by the Committee, we particularly encourage the submission of information highlighting experience in maritime security matters.

Authority

Section 102 of the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA) of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-295) (The Act) authorizes the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating to establish Area Maritime Security Committees for any port area of the United States. See 33 U.S.C. 1226; 46 U.S.C.; 33 CFR 1.05-1, 6.01; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1). The Act exempts Area Maritime Security Committees from the Federal Advisory

Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92-463)

Dated: January 7, 2008.

P. S. Simons,

Captain U. S. Coast Guard, Acting Captain of the Port, Corpus Christi.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2007-0055, formerly CGD08-07-029]

Lower Mississippi River Safety Advisory Committee; Vacancies

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Request for applications; extension of application deadline.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard extends the deadline for applications for membership in the Lower Mississippi River Safety Advisory Committee. This Committee advises and makes recommendations to the Coast Guard on matters relating to navigation safety on the Lower Mississippi River.

DATES: Application forms should reach us on or before February 28, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may request an application form by writing U.S. Coast Guard, Sector New Orleans, Attn: Waterways Management, 1615 Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA 70112-2711 or by calling 504-565-5108. Send your application in written form to the above street address. A copy of this notice and the application form are available in our online docket, CGD08-07-029, at <http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/leaving.cgi?from=leavingFR.html&log=linklog&to=http://regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

LTJG Tonya Harrington, Assistant to Executive Director of Lower Mississippi River Waterway Safety Advisory Committee at 504-565-5108.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On October 30, 2007, we published a request in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 61362) for applications for membership in the Lower Mississippi River Safety Advisory Committee. The deadline for applications announced in that notice is being extended until February 28, 2008. If you applied in response to the initial notice, you do not need to send another application form.

The Lower Mississippi River Waterway Safety Advisory Committee is a Federal advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92-463). This