

Additional efficiency in tool performance may also be realized as tool designs are optimized to reduce vibration and noise emissions.

This effort will identify sources of noise emissions in powered hand tools and will investigate ways to reduce the noise emissions through engineering noise control. NIOSH has successfully worked with university partners to analyze several classes of tools (e.g. table saws, pneumatic nail guns, and air compressors) and demonstrated that significant reductions in noise levels can be achieved through application of noise control engineering. Furthermore, NIOSH expects to partner with academic programs that have advanced technical expertise, acoustic test facilities and specialized equipment, software and data analysis necessary for such an effort. NIOSH is seeking an industrial partner in a CRADA so that particular problems of interest can be targeted for investigation. The industry partners will provide power tools for investigation of noise source identification, product life cycle testing of new designs, and nominal funding of \$50,000 to defray expenses in the effort.

NIOSH expects to provide up to \$50,000 per year over a three-year CRADA agreement. The CRADA defines the role of the various partners regarding intellectual rights, publications, and the material and financial resources that are exchanged during the period of the agreement. At this time, this announcement seeks to identify potential partners in the effort. Detailed development of the CRADA will occur over the next eight months, with the partnership beginning in October 2006.

This announcement does not obligate NIOSH to enter into an agreement with any respondent. NIOSH reserves the right to establish a partnership based on engineering analysis and capabilities found by way of this announcement or other searches, if determined to be in the best interest of the government.

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management activities for both CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panels (SEP): Studies to Understand Transmissibility of Influenza Viruses in Mammalian Species, Request for Applications (RFA) CI06-004; Replication of Pathogenic Avian Influenza Viruses in Swine, RFA CI06-005

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting:

Name: Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel (SEP): Studies to Understand Transmissibility of Influenza Viruses in Mammalian Species, RFA CI06-004; Replication of Pathogenic Avian Influenza Viruses in Swine, RFA CI06-005.

Time and Date: 12 p.m.-4 p.m., May 1, 2006 (Closed).

Place: Teleconference.

Status: The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 552b(c)(4) and (6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, CDC, pursuant to Public Law 92-463.

Matters To Be Discussed: The meeting will include the review, discussion, and evaluation of applications received in response to: Studies to Understand Transmissibility of Influenza Viruses in Mammalian Species, RFA CI06-004; Replication of Pathogenic Avian Influenza Viruses in Swine, RFA CI06-005.

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Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: Court Improvement Program.

OMB No.: 0970-0245.

Description: The Court Improvement Program provides grants to State court systems to conduct assessments of their foster care and adoption laws and judicial processes and to develop and implement a plan for system improvement. ACF proposes to collect information from the States about this program (applications, program reports) by way of a Program instruction, which (1) describes the requirements for States under the reauthorization of the Court Improvement Program; (2) outlines the programmatic and fiscal provisions and reporting requirements of the program; (3) specifies the application submittal and approval procedures for the program for Fiscal Years 2003 through 2006; and (4) identifies technical resources for use by State courts during the course of the program. This Program Instruction contains information collection requirements that are found in Pub. L. 103-66, as amended by Pub. L. 105-89 and Pub. L. 107-133; and pursuant to receiving a grant award. The agency will use the information received to ensure compliance with the statute and provide training and technical assistance to the grantees.

Respondents: State Courts.