

Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. Comments should reference "Home Depot U.S.A. Prospective Purchaser Agreement, San Fernando Valley Superfund Site, Glendale Operable Unit," and "Docket No. 2001-06" and should be addressed to Marie M. Rongone at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary publishes a list of information collections it has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) and 5 CFR 1320.5. The following are those information collections recently submitted to OMB.

1. *Organizing an Institutional Investigation Assistance Program: A Feasibility Study*—NEW—A review group charged with examining the Office of Research Integrity's (ORI) role in handling allegations of research misconduct developed numerous recommendations. One of the recommendations stated that "HHS should encourage the development of a consortium-based approach to be used by awardee institutions that do not have the capacity to conduct the fact-finding process, or at which there is otherwise inadequate institutional or organizational capacity." The Office of Research Integrity is proposing a survey of research institutions, educational institutions, and related organizations to assess the level of interest in the development of consortia.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit; Non-profit institutions; State or local governments; *Number of Respondents:* 1,000; *Burden per*

Response: 20 minutes; *Total Burden:* 333 hours. *OMB Desk Officer:* Allison Herron Eydt.

Copies of the information collection packages listed above can be obtained by calling the OS Reports Clearance Officer on (202) 690-6207. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the OMB desk officer designated above at the following address: Human Resources and Housing Branch, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Comments may also be sent to Cynthia Agens Bauer, OS Reports Clearance Officer, Room 503H, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

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Kerry Weems,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Budget.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer on (404) 639-7090.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is 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. Send comments to Anne O'Connor, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D24, Atlanta, GA 30333. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project: Cognitive Tuning for Website Promotion—NEW—National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The mission of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health is to promote "safety and health at work for all people through research and prevention." NIOSH is guided by the National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA), which specifies 21 priority areas for occupational safety and health research. One of the NORA priority areas is intervention effectiveness, which includes "information dissemination and health communication practices." This project, in testing the effectiveness of a cognitive tuning instruction in increasing visits to a NIOSH website for children and teenagers, would address the intervention effectiveness priority area.

Cognitive tuning refers to two possible orientations a person may have when exposed to information. One orientation is that of a receiver, who is primarily concerned with understanding the information for its own sake. The other orientation is that of a transmitter, who expects to pass on the information by communicating with others. Unlike the receiver, the transmitter is faced with the demand of using the information in the near future and is likely to be motivated to appear competent and knowledgeable in front of other people when passing on the information. Past research has shown that transmitters, compared to receivers, show more attitude change when given information about issues or persons. Also, the attitude change for transmitters tends to be more persistent than for receivers.

The Elaboration Likelihood Model (ELM) is a theory of attitude change that has achieved much empirical support and has organized a large body of previously fragmented results. The ELM posits that the nature of attitude change depends on whether the person is thinking carefully about the issue at hand. A person thinking about an issue is likely to form an attitude that is persistent, resistant to attack, and predictive of behavior. Conversely, a person who lacks either the motivation or the ability to think carefully about an issue is likely to form an attitude that is transitory, easy to change, and unpredictable of behavior.

It is hypothesized that cognitive tuning influences the motivation to think about an issue. Transmitters should be more motivated than receivers to think about presented information because transmitters expect to pass on the information. This hypothesis will be tested in the context of promoting the NIOSH Safety Zone, a website that introduces children and teenagers to occupational safety and health issues. Four different messages about the website will be sent to high school teachers. The messages will vary whether the teacher is told that other teachers have been sent the letter (i.e., whether the teacher is given a transmitter orientation). The messages will also vary the quality of the arguments (strong arguments vs. weak

arguments for visiting the website). A subset of the teachers will later be contacted by telephone to answer questions about their attitudes toward the website and whether they intend to visit it. Website hits will be recorded for all teachers in the study, such that teachers receiving different messages will be directed to different entry pages with independent hit counters. Teachers who get transmitter messages should be more influenced by the quality of the arguments than teachers who get receiver messages.

Prior to the study, pretesting sessions will be conducted with high school teachers in or near the Morgantown, WV area. The pretesting will insure that strong arguments and weak arguments differ in the kinds of thoughts elicited

from teachers. Strong arguments should elicit more positive thoughts toward visiting the NIOSH website than weak arguments.

If the results support predictions, cognitive tuning will be a promising communication intervention that may be applied across a wide range of occupational safety and health issues. Simply by emphasizing the possibility that occupational safety and health information may be useful in future social interaction with others, a message may motivate people to think carefully about an issue and thus form a more lasting attitude that will influence how they behave. At an median wage of \$20.00 per hour, the total cost to respondents will be \$5,066.60.

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden in hours
High School Teachers (pretest)	120	1	1	120.00
High School Teachers (phone contact)	800	1	1 ^{1/60}	133.33
Total				253.33

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Proposed Project: Data Collection, Management, Reporting, and Evaluation for the National Minority AIDS Initiative (NMAI) to be conducted from 2001 to 2005—New—National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHSTP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The purpose of this request is to obtain OMB clearance to collect primary and secondary data to assess the HIV prevention and capacity-building activities of community-based organizations (CBOs) and other not-for-profit organizations funded under the NMAI. The objective of the NMAI is to implement an approach to HIV Prevention for communities of color through three strategies: Support of CBOs to deliver HIV prevention services; community coalition development projects to increase access

to a linked network of HIV, STD, TB, and substance abuse services; and capacity-building assistance (CBA) (which includes a Faith-Based component) to sustain, improve, and expand HIV prevention services.

The CDC requires NMAI grantees to evaluate their programs. CDC has the responsibility to support these evaluation efforts by assisting grantees in the design and implementation of their program evaluation activities, including the provision of evaluation forms and conducting an overall evaluation of the NMAI. The data collected during this evaluation will allow CDC to (1) address accountability needs, (2) provide necessary information to the NMAI grantees for improving their programs, and (3) provide a context for understanding the effectiveness of programs targeting African Americans and other racial and ethnic minorities.

Data collection will include self-administered questionnaires, document reviews, and interviews with directors of CBOs (or their representatives) and other collaborating organizations. The first phase of data collection is planned for the fall of 2001. Subsequent phases of data collection are planned for 2002, 2003, and 2004, with data collection culminating by the summer of 2005. Self-administered questionnaires will be submitted annually. Interviews will be conducted at 24, 36, and 48 months