

d. Adequacy of plans to address community concerns and create lines of communication, including letters of support.

e. Adequacy of methods to disseminate the study results to community residents, state and local public health officials, tribal governments, Indian Health Service, and to other concerned individuals and organizations.

3. Facilities and Resources (10 percent)

The adequacy of the applicant's facilities, equipment, and other resources available for performance of this project.

4. Understanding of the Problem (10 percent)

a. The applicant's understanding of the problems related to community exposures to hazardous substances and concerns regarding MS and ALS.

b. The relevance of the proposed program to these and related problems.

5. Program Personnel (10 percent)

a. Applicant's technical experience and understanding (e.g. in the areas of MS and ALS, environmental health, and chronic disease surveillance).

b. List the names (if known), qualifications, and time allocation of the professional staff to be assigned to (or recruited for) this project and the support staff available for performance of this project.

c. Extent to which the management staff and their working partners are clearly described.

6. Goals and Objectives (10 percent)

The extent to which the proposed goals and objectives are clearly stated and measurable.

7. Human Subjects (Not scored)

Not scored, however, an application can be disapproved if the research risks are sufficiently serious and protection against risks are so inadequate as to make the entire application unacceptable.

8. Budget Justification (Not Scored)

The budget will be evaluated to the extent that it is reasonable, clearly justified, and consistent with the intended use of funds.

I. Other Requirements

Technical Reporting Requirements

Provide CDC with the original and two copies of:

1. Semi-annual progress report.
2. Financial Status Report (FSR) no more than 90 days after the end of the budget period.

3. Final financial status report and performance report, no more than 90 days after the end of the project.

Send all reports to the Grants Management Specialist identified in the "Where to Obtain Additional Information" section of this announcement.

The following additional requirements are applicable to this program.

AR-1 Human Subjects Requirements

AR-2 Requirements of Inclusion of Women and Racial and Ethnic Minorities in Research

AR-7 Executive Order 12372 Review

AR-9 Paperwork Reduction Act Requirements

AR-10 Smoke-Free Workplace Requirements

AR-11 Healthy People 2010

AR-12 Lobbying Restrictions

AR-17 Peer Review and Technical Reviews of Final Reports of Health Studies—ATSDR

AR-18 Cost Recovery—ATSDR

AR-19 Third Party Agreements—ATSDR

AR-22 Research Integrity

J. Where To Obtain Additional Information

This and other ATSDR announcements can be found on the CDC home page Internet address—<http://www.cdc.gov>. Click on "Funding" then "Grants and Cooperative Agreements."

If you have questions after reviewing the contents of all the documents, business management technical assistance may be obtained from: Edna Green, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Announcement 02154, 2920 Brandywine Road, Suite 3000, Atlanta, Georgia 30341-4146, Telephone (770) 488-2743, E-mail address: ecg4@cdc.gov.

For program assistance, contact: Curtis Noonan, Epidemiologist, Health Investigations Branch, Division of Health Studies, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mail Stop E-31, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, Telephone: (404) 498-0588, E-mail address: cen9@cdc.gov.

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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) 498-1210.

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: Aggregate Reports for Tuberculosis Program Evaluation (OMB No. 0920-0457)—Extension—National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHSTP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

CDC, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, Division of Tuberculosis Elimination (DTBE), proposes to continue the Aggregate Reports for Tuberculosis Program Evaluation, previously approved under OMB No. 0920-0457. This request is for a 3-year extension of clearance. There are no revisions to the report forms, data definitions, or reporting instructions.

To ensure the elimination of tuberculosis in the United States, key program activities, such as finding tuberculosis infections in recent contacts of cases and in other persons likely to be infected and providing therapy for latent tuberculosis infection, must be monitored. In 2000, CDC

implemented two program evaluation reports for annual submission: Aggregate report of follow-up for contacts of tuberculosis, and Aggregate report of screening and preventive therapy for tuberculosis infection (OMB No. 0920-0457). The respondents for these reports are the 68 state and local tuberculosis control programs receiving federal cooperative agreement funding through DTBE. These reports replaced two, twice-yearly program management reports in the Tuberculosis Statistics and Program Evaluation Activity (OMB 0920-0026): Contact Follow-up (CDC 72.16) and Completion of Preventive

Therapy (CDC 72.21). The replacement reports emphasized treatment outcomes, high-priority target populations vulnerable to tuberculosis, and programmed electronic report entry and submission through the Tuberculosis Information Management System (TIMS).

No other federal agency collects this type of national TB data, and the Aggregate report of follow-up for contacts of tuberculosis, and Aggregate report of screening and preventive therapy for tuberculosis infection are the only data source about latent tuberculosis infection for monitoring

national progress toward tuberculosis elimination.

In addition to providing ongoing assistance about the preparation and utilization of these reports at the local and state levels of public health jurisdiction, CDC held three national training workshops about the reports and will convene additional workshops when requested by the respondents. CDC also provides respondents with technical support for the TIMS software (Electronic—100%, Use of Electronic Signatures—No). The annual burden to respondents is estimated to be 204 hours. There is no cost to respondents.

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses/respondent	Avg. burden/response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
State & Local TB Control Programs	68	1	90/60	102
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Total				204

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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) 498-1210. Send written comments to CDC, Desk Officer, Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503. Written

comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

Proposed Project: Surveillance for Bloodstream and Vascular Access Infections in Outpatient Hemodialysis Centers (0920-0442)—Revision—National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID), NCID Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), is proposing to renew a study of bloodstream infections, vascular access infections, hospitalization, and antimicrobial starts at U.S. outpatient hemodialysis centers. Although bloodstream and vascular access infections are common in hemodialysis patients, there was previously no system to record and track these complications.

Participation in the proposed project is voluntary. Currently about 80-90 centers report data each month. We estimate that about 100 of the approximately 4,500 U.S. outpatient hemodialysis centers will participate in the coming years. Participating centers may collect data continuously, or may discontinue participation at any time; we estimate that the average center will participate for nine months. Each month, participating centers will record the number of hemodialysis patients they treat and maintain a log of all

hospitalizations and intravenous (IV) antimicrobial starts. For each hospitalization or IV antimicrobial start, further information (e.g., type of vascular access, clinical symptoms, presence of a vascular access infection, and blood culture results) will be collected. These data may be reported to CDC on paper forms or via a secure Internet site. CDC aggregates this data and generates reports which are sent to participating dialysis centers.

Centers that participate in the Internet-based reporting system may also analyze their own data and print out reports as desired. Rates of bloodstream infection, vascular access infection, and antimicrobial use per 1000 patient-days will be calculated.

Also, the percentage of antimicrobial starts for which a blood culture is performed will be calculated. Through use of these data, dialysis centers will be able to track rates of key infectious complications of hemodialysis. This will facilitate quality control improvements to reduce the incidence of infections, and clinical practice guidelines to improve use of antimicrobials. The total estimated annualized burden is 6,300 hours.

Form	Number of respondents	Number of responses/respondent	Average burden/response (in hours)
Agreement to participate	100	1	1
Census form	100	12	1
Log	100	12	1
Incident form	100	200	12/60