

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

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

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National Cross-Site Assessment of the Addiction Technology Transfer Centers Network—(OMB No. 0930-0216, Revision—The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration's (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) intends to continue an assessment of its Addiction Technology Transfer Centers (ATTCs). The data collection instruments are being modified, and the methodology will be updated to comply with CSAT's new Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) requirements. CSAT is requiring all of its programs to use standard GPRA Customer Satisfaction forms for training, technical assistance and meeting events, approved by OMB under OMB control number 0930-0197. In response to these new requirements, the ATTC Network will modify the current information collection tools to be in compliance, while still collecting information needed for the cross-site assessment.

The goal underlying the training and education opportunities provided

through the ATTCs is to enhance the competencies of professionals in a variety of disciplines to address the clinical needs of individuals with substance abuse problems using research-based curricula and training materials through both traditional and non-traditional technologies.

The ATTCs disseminate current health services research from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, National Institute of Mental Health, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, National Institute of Justice, and other sources and applied knowledge development activities from SAMHSA using innovative technologies by developing and updating state-of-the-art research-based curricula and developing faculty and trainers. Participants in ATTC events are self-identified and participate in either academic courses, continuing education/professional development training events, technical assistance or meetings. Academic courses are offered at all levels. Continuing education/professional development training is designed to meet identified needs of counselors and other professionals who work with individuals with substance abuse problems. A technical assistance is a jointly planned consultation generally involving a series of contacts between the ATTC and an outside organization/institution during which the ATTC provides expertise and gives direction toward resolving a problem or improving conditions. A meeting is an ATTC sponsored or co-sponsored event in which a group of people representing one or more agencies other than the ATTC work cooperatively on a project, problem, and/or a policy.

Both a process and an outcome assessment will be conducted. The process component will describe the training and education needs of pre-service and currently practicing professionals, the types of events that participants receive through the ATTCs, and their satisfaction with services. The outcome component will focus on changes in clinical practice made by participants as a result of knowledge received.

Analysis of this information will assist CSAT in documenting the numbers and types of participants in ATTC events, describing the extent to which participants improve in their clinical competency, and which method is most effective in disseminating knowledge to the various audiences. This type of information is crucial to support CSAT in complying with GPRA reporting requirements and will inform future development of knowledge dissemination activities.

The study design for trainees will include a description of each event, and a pre-post design that collects identical information at initiation of ATTC courses/trainings, at the completion of the course/training, and again after 30 days. For technical assistance and meeting events, there will be a description of each event and demographic information will be collected from participants before the event. In addition, the study will collect satisfaction measures after each event and at 30-day follow-up using the required GPRA forms. Follow-up forms will be sent to a sample of 25% of participants at events. The chart below summarizes the annualized burden for this project.

Respondent type	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Hours per response	Total burden hours
Students/Trainees	20,000	3	.25	15,000
ATTC Faculty/Staff				
Faculty/Trainers	200	1	.25	50
ATTC Summary Reports	15	4	2.00	120
Training Participants				
Pre-event Information	20,000	1	.13	2,600
Post-event Information	20,000	1	.16	3,200
Followup Information	5,000	1	.16	800
Meeting and Technical Assistance Participants				
Pre-event information	3,000	1	.08	240
Total	23,215			7,010

Written comments and recommendations concerning the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of this notice to: Lauren Wittenberg, Human Resources and Housing Branch, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503; due to potential delays in OMB's receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, respondents are encouraged to submit comments by fax to: 202-395-6974.

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Administration and Financing of Group Homes and Residential Facilities for Persons With Mental Illness—New— The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) will conduct a survey of state health officials to determine what types of residential care programs for persons with mental illness are operated in each State and the District of Columbia. The state health officials will be identified through Web searches of State Mental Health Departments and other relevant agencies on a State-by-State basis.

The survey will contact identified state health officials in all fifty States (and the District of Columbia) and will gather information on the following six survey domains: Facility characteristics (for approximately five different types of group homes); Licensing and certification; Facility programs and treatment services; Seclusion and restraint; Facility monitoring and oversight; and, Financing. The questionnaire will identify and describe the types of residential facilities for

persons with mental illness that are licensed, certified, and/or financed by State governments; the target population served by each facility type; the range of services provided in each facility type; provisions for monitoring each facility type, including the use of seclusion and restraints; and, sources of financing for each facility type.

This information collection supports the New Freedom Initiative, one of SAMHSA's current priorities; the New Freedom Initiative is the President's comprehensive plan to reduce barriers to full community integration for people with disabilities. The national survey will provide new information to SAMHSA and to other policymakers regarding the ways in which group homes and other types of residential facilities for adults, adolescents, and children with mental illness are established, regulated, and financed.

The questionnaire will be distributed to identified state health officials in electronic and/or paper formats. State health officials may either return the completed questionnaire via email or regular mail or request a telephone interview. In addition, respondents who do not return a completed paper questionnaire will be contacted and interviewed by telephone.

ESTIMATES OF ANNUALIZED HOUR BURDEN

Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Hours per response	Total hour burden
240	1	1	240

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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 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 (301) 443-7978.

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.

Proposed Project: Pretesting of Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment and Mental Health Services Communication Messages—(OMB No. 0930-0196, Reinstatement)—As the Federal agency responsible for developing and disseminating authoritative knowledge about substance abuse prevention, addiction treatment, and mental health services and for mobilizing consumer support and increasing public understanding to overcome the stigma attached to addiction and mental illness, the