

	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Hours per response	Total hour burden
Advisory Council Report	57	1	10	570
Total	114			2,166

Written comments and recommendations concerning the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of this notice to: SAMHSA Desk Officer, 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.

Dated: January 13, 2004.

Anna Marsh,

Acting Executive Officer, SAMHSA.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4908-N-01]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: American Healthy Homes Survey

AGENCY: Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement concerning an American Healthy Homes Survey in homes across the country will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* March 22, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Gail N. Ward, Reports Liaison Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room P3206, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John H. Miller, (202) 755-1758 ext. 106 (this is not a toll-free number), or John_H_Miller@HUD.gov, for copies of the proposed information collection instruments and other available documents electronically or on paper.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

Title of Proposal: American Healthy Homes Survey.

OMB Control Number: To be assigned.

Need for the Information and Proposed Use: Lead is a highly toxic heavy metal that adversely affects virtually every organ system in the body. Young children are particularly susceptible to its effects. Lead poisoning remains one of the top childhood environmental health problems today. The most current national survey (1998-2000), conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, shows that about 434,000 young children are lead poisoned. The most common source of lead exposure for children today is lead paint in older housing and the contaminated dust and soil it generates. The National Survey of Lead and Allergens in Housing, conducted by

HUD and the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) in 1998-2000, estimated that 24 million homes had lead-based paint hazards at that time. New information is needed to identify the extent of progress toward achieving the goal of the President's Task Force on Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks to Children of eliminating lead paint hazards in housing where children under six live.

Asthma is a chronic respiratory disease characterized by episodes of airway inflammation and narrowing. It is generally accepted that asthma results from the interaction between genetic susceptibility and environmental exposures. Exposure to indoor allergy-producing substances (allergens) is believed to play an important role in the development and exacerbation of asthma. The HUD-NIEHS survey, above, found that most U.S. homes had, near the end of the last decade, detectable levels of dust mite allergen associated with allergic sensitization and asthma. New information is needed to characterize changes in the residential prevalence of allergens since the survey.

Similarly, such airborne chemicals as carbon monoxide, airborne particulate matter, and such chemicals on surfaces as arsenic and pesticides, and such unintentional injury factors as conditions associated with falls, fires and poisons, are known to have adverse health or safety effects, but national residential prevalence estimates are unavailable, limiting the ability of HUD and other agencies to develop data-driven control strategies.

This information will be used in revising policy and guidance to target the housing with the greatest needs for lead hazard evaluation and control.

Results from this survey will provide current information needed for regulatory and policy decisions and enables an assessment of progress in making the U.S. housing stock safe.

Agency Form Number: None.

Members of Affected Public: Homeowners and rental housing tenants.

Total Burden Estimate (First Year):

Number of task	Frequency of respondents	Hours per responses	Burden response
Respondents	2000	1	3.5
Total Estimated Burden Hours			7000

Status of the Proposed Information Collection: New request.

Dated: January 9, 2004.

David E. Jacobs,

Director, Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4910-N-01]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment—Exigent Health and Safety Deficiency Correction and Remedy Certification

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* March 22, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control number and should be sent to: Mildred M. Hamman, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4238, Washington, DC 20410-5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mildred M. Hamman, (202) 708-0614, extension 4128. (This is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of

information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

The Exigent Health and Safety Deficiency Correction and Remedy Certification templates are the set of documents on which the Department will collect information from Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) and multifamily property owners/agents about the correction and mitigation of exigent health and safety (EH&S) deficiencies that are identified in the property inspection.

The Department's Uniform Physical Condition Standards (UPCS) regulation (24 CFR part 5, subpart G) provides that HUD assisted and insured housing must be decent, safe, sanitary, and in good repair. Owners/agents and PHAs must maintain the housing in a manner that meets the prescribed physical condition standards in order to be considered decent, safe, sanitary, and in good repair. In addition, the UPCS regulation provides that all areas and components of the housing must be free of health and safety hazards.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Exigent Health and Safety Deficiency Correction and Remedy Certification.

OMB Control Number: 2507-00X.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Pursuant to the UPCS inspection protocol, at the end of the property inspection (or at the end of each day of a multi-day inspection) (or at the end of each day of a multi-day inspection) the inspector provides the property representative with a copy of the "Notification of Exigent and Fire Safety Hazards Observed" form. Listed on this document that is given to the property representative for signature is each EH&S deficiency that the inspector

observed during the inspection or on that day of the inspection.

The PHAs are to correct or mitigate EH&S deficiencies (*i.e.*, emergency work orders) within 24 hours (24 CFR part 902). Property owners/agents are to correct or remedy EH&S deficiencies immediately and notify the Department in writing within three business days of the date of inspection which the date the owner was provided notice of these deficiencies (24 CFR 200.857(c)).

In accordance with these requirements, PHAs and multifamily property owners/agents enter the required data on the templates, certify to the data entered, and electronically submit the information to HUD. Requiring PHAs and multifamily property owners/agents to report correction and mitigation activities enables HUD to monitor regulatory requirements and conduct follow-up activities to assist in ensuring the residents are living in HUD housing that is decent, safe, sanitary and in good repair and is free of health and safety hazards.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: Not applicable.

Members of affected public: Local, State, or Tribal governments, not-for-profit institutions, businesses or other for-profit.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:

2,061 PHAs; annual submission per PHA; average burden hours for PHA response is .32 hours; the total reporting burden is 648.65 hours.

6,771 multifamily property owners; annual submission per owner; average burden hours for owner response is .3 hours; the total reporting burden is 2,044.15 hours.

Status of the proposed information collection: Approval of a new collection.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: December 31, 2003.

William Russell III,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Housing and Voucher Programs.

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