

on November 29, 2013. The medical device is currently undergoing regulatory review before the FDA for permission to market or use the product commercially.

Review of the application indicates that, except for permission to market or use the product commercially, the subject patent would be eligible for an extension of the patent term under 35 U.S.C. 156, and that the patent should be extended for one year as required by 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5)(B). Because the regulatory review period will continue beyond the original expiration date of the patent, January 14, 2014, interim extension of the patent term under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) is appropriate.

An interim extension under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) of the term of U.S. Patent No. 5,593,823 is granted for a period of one year from the original expiration date of the patent.

Dated: January 10, 2014.

**Andrew Hirshfeld,**

*Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, United States Patent and Trademark Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2013-ICCD-0139]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Evaluation of a District Wide Implementation of a Professional Learning Community Initiative

**AGENCY:** Department of Education (ED), Institute of Education Sciences/National Center for Education Statistics (IES).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing a new information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 18, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting Docket ID number ED-2013-ICCD-0139 or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery

should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Mailstop L-OM-2-2E319, Room 2E107, Washington, DC 20202.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions related to collection activities or burden, please call Katrina Ingalls, 703-620-3655 or electronically mail [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Please do not send comments here. We will ONLY accept comments in this mailbox when the regulations.gov site is not available to the public for any reason.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

**Title of Collection:** Evaluation of a District Wide Implementation of a Professional Learning Community Initiative.

**OMB Control Number:** 1850-NEW.

**Type of Review:** A new information collection.

**Respondents/Affected Public:** Individuals or households.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:** 403.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:** 214.

**Abstract:** This study aims to address the need for systematic information about district-wide implementation of professional learning communities

(PLCs) as a critical element in improving teacher quality and instruction, thereby contributing to increased student achievement. The study will survey (online) a population of teacher participants in school-based PLCs and interview principals face to face about the context and their perceptions of the initiative, pre- and post-implementation. Data collection from teachers will focus on what the PLCs do, how they operate, and to what extent they produce the outcomes expected of them as framed by six conceptual attributes of PLCs and five specific tasks. Data collection from principals will focus on contextual information about school culture and conditions such as resources that support implementation. Teachers and principals will also provide their reflections on the challenges of implementing PLCs and their suggestions for improvement. The analysis will enable comparisons among PLCs within and across schools. Study findings are expected to inform both theory and practice related to implementation of professional learning communities.

Dated: January 10, 2014.

**Stephanie Valentine,**

*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Agency Information Collection Extension

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice and Request for OMB Review and Comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted an information collection request to the OMB for extension under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection requests a three-year extension of its Occupational Radiation Protection Program, OMB Control Number 1910-5105. This information collection request covers information necessary to permit DOE and its contractors to provide management control and oversight over health and safety programs concerning worker exposure to ionizing radiation. The Estimated Number of Total Responses in the previously published request for comments, 34, is incorrect; the correct Estimated Number of Total Responses is 170.