## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### **National Institutes of Health**

# National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 1009 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; NIAID Resource Related Research Projects (R24 Clinical Trial Not Allowed).

Date: July 7, 2023.

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Room 3G33, Rockville, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

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### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket Number DHS-2023-0012]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Generic Clearance for Pretesting Instruments and Procedures for Evaluation, Research, and Evidence Building

**AGENCY:** Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

**ACTION:** 30-Day notice and request for comments; generic clearance for formative data collections for evaluations, research, and evidence building.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security, DHS will submit the following information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. DHS previously published this information collection request (ICR) in the Federal Register on 03/14/2023, for a 60-day public comment period. No comments were received by DHS. The purpose of this notice is to allow additional 30 days for public comments.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until July 14, 2023. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) intends to request approval from OMB for a generic clearance to pretest data collection instruments and procedures with more than nine participants to identify and resolve any question or procedural problems in DHS's survey administration. The Generic Clearance for Pretesting Instruments and Procedures for Evaluation, Research, and Evidence-Building is a new information collection request.

The DHS studies its programs, and the populations they serve, through rigorous evaluation, research, and evidence-building activities. These include evaluations of existing programs, evaluations of innovative approaches to allow the Agency to respond to its evolving threat environment with

effective strategies and operations that ensure a safe, secure, and prosperous Homeland, research syntheses, and descriptive and exploratory studies. To improve the development of its surveys used in evaluation, research, and evidence-building activities, the DHS intends to pretest data collection instruments and procedures through a variety of techniques including cognitive and usability laboratory and field techniques, behavior coding, exploratory interviews, respondent debriefing questionnaires, split sample experiments, focus groups, and pilot studies/pretests. These activities will allow the DHS to identify if and when a survey may be simplified for respondents, respondent burden may be reduced, and other possible improvements.

The DHS will use the results of information collections internally to inform subsequent information collection requests. The information collected is not intended to be used as the principal basis for a decision by a Federal decision-maker and is not expected to meet the threshold of influential or highly influential scientific information.

The DHS will test a variety of instruments and procedures under this clearance. The exact nature of the instruments and the samples is dependent on each individual project and details will be provided for each individual information collection requests submitted. The particular samples included in future generic information collection requests will vary based on the content of the instrument being tested. The DHS and its contractors will collect information electronically and/or use online collaboration tools, as appropriate, to reduce the burden. Specific information regarding the use of technology will be submitted with each individual information collection request. Following standard OMB requirements, the DHS will submit a change request for each individual data collection activity under this generic clearance. Each request will include the individual instrument(s), a justification specific to the individual information collection, and any supplementary documents. OMB should review within 10 days of receiving each change request.

Respondents include participants in DHS programs being evaluated; participants in DHS pilots and demonstrations; recipients of DHS grants and individuals served by DHS grantees; comparison group members; and other relevant populations, such as individuals eligible for DHS services. Small business or other small entities