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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[60Day-24-1078; Docket No. CDC-2023-
0086]

Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention (CDC), Department of Health
and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice with comment period.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease
Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of
its continuing effort to reduce public
burden and maximize the utility of
Government information, invites the
general public and other Federal
agencies the opportunity to comment on
a continuing information collection, as
required by the Paperwork Reduction
Act of 1995. This notice invites
comment on a proposed information
collection project titled The Division of
Workforce Development (DWD)
Fellowship Alumni Assessment.
Information will be collected from
graduates of selected public health
fellowships to assess the impact of
fellowship programs and improve their
management.

DATES: CDC must receive written
comments on or before December 29,
2023.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments,
identified by Docket No. CDC-2023-
0086 by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:*
www.regulations.gov. Follow the
instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information
Collection Review Office, Centers for
Disease Control and Prevention, 1600
Clifton Road NE, MS H21-8, Atlanta,
Georgia 30329.

Instructions: All submissions received
must include the agency name and
Docket Number. CDC will post, without
change, all relevant comments to
www.regulations.gov.

Please note: Submit all comments
through the Federal eRulemaking portal
(www.regulations.gov) or by U.S. mail to
the address listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To
request more information on the
proposed project or to obtain a copy of
the information collection plan and
instruments, contact Jeffrey M. Zirger,
Information Collection Review Office,
Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS
H21-8, Atlanta, Georgia 30329;
Telephone: 404-639-7570; Email: omb@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA)
(44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal agencies
must obtain approval from the Office of
Management and Budget (OMB) for each
collection of information they conduct
or sponsor. In addition, the PRA also
requires Federal agencies to provide a
60-day notice in the **Federal Register**
concerning each proposed collection of
information, including each new
proposed collection, each proposed
extension of existing collection of
information, and each reinstatement of
previously approved information
collection before submitting the
collection to the OMB for approval. To
comply with this requirement, we are
publishing this notice of a proposed
data collection as described below.

The OMB is particularly interested in
comments that will help:

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,
including the validity of the
methodology and assumptions used;
3. Enhance the quality, utility, and
clarity of the information to be
collected;
4. Minimize the burden of the
collection of information on those who
are to respond, including through the
use of appropriate automated,
electronic, mechanical, or other
technological collection techniques or
other forms of information technology,
e.g., permitting electronic submissions
of responses; and
5. Assess information collection costs.

Proposed Project

The Division of Workforce
Development (DWD) Fellowship
Alumni Assessment (OMB Control No.
0920-1078, Exp. 02/29/2024)—
Revision—National Center for State,
Tribal, Local, and Territorial Public
Health Infrastructure and Workforce
(NCSTLTPHIW), Centers for Disease
Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

The Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention (CDC) works to protect
America from health, safety and security
threats, both foreign and in the U.S.
CDC strives to fulfill this mission, in
part, through a competent and capable
public health workforce. One
mechanism for developing the public
health workforce is through fellowship
programs like those sponsored and
supported by the Division of Workforce
Development (DWD).

A robust public health workforce has
sufficient workforce, organizational, and
systems capacity to deliver essential
public health services and protect the
public's health. In 2023, after a CDC
reorganization agency-wide, a number
of CDC career fellowships were
consolidated within one new division,
DWD, which has a lead role in public
health workforce development. Across
all of its branches, DWD manages or
supports many full-time, cross-cutting
career fellowship programs that support
CDC and State, Tribal, local, and
Territorial health departments, and
partner organizations. Through these
programs, DWD strives to provide
quality training for current and future
members of the public health workforce
to ensure they have foundational and
contemporary public health skills.
Nearly all these programs serve as a
pathway to CDC career communities
and are an important source of supply
for the public health workforce.

In 2015, CDC obtained OMB approval
to conduct follow-up surveys of alumni
who had completed the Public Health
Associate Program (PHAP) (OMB
Control No. 0920-1078). Findings from
the PHAP alumni surveys have
improved CDC's understanding of
alumni retention and career progression
in the public health workforce and have
informed management of the PHAP. In
the current Revision, CDC proposes to
build on lessons learned in PHAP
fellowship evaluation. CDC will
broaden the scope of information
collection to accommodate the full
portfolio of DWD fellowships, which
currently include the Epidemiology
Elective Program (EEP), Evaluation
Fellowship (EF), Epidemic Intelligence
Service (EIS), CDC E-Learning Institute,
Future Leaders in Infectious and Global
Health Threats (FLIGHT), Laboratory
Leadership Service (LLS), CDC Steven
M. Teutsch Prevention Effectiveness
(PE) Fellowship, Preventive Medicine
Residency and Fellowship, Population
Health Training in Place Program
(PHTPP), Science Ambassador
Fellowship (SAF), and PHAP. In
addition to expanding the respondent

universe for fellowship alumni, this ICR is intentionally removing the host site supervisor component included in the original ICR. This revision will specifically focus on fellowship alumni only. A new ICR will be created for the host site supervisor survey.

Each year, new cohorts ranging from three to 200 individuals are enrolled across these fellowship programs. While each fellowship differs in focus area, type of fellow, and projects, they all have the same mission: to train and provide learning opportunities to early- and mid-career professionals who contribute to the public health workforce. Post-fellowship, it is the goal that alumni seek employment within the public health system (*i.e.*, Federal, State, Tribal, local, or Territorial health agencies, or non-governmental organizations).

CDC will apply a common approach to assessing how fellowship participation impacts the job placement, retention in the public health workforce, and career progression of alumni. DWD Fellowship Alumni Surveys will be administered to individual program alumni at three different time points (one year, three years, and five years post-program completion). Each fellowship program will invite their program's alumni to participate. Fellowships will be deploying surveys specific to their programs. Assessment questions will remain consistent at each administration timepoint (*i.e.*, one year, three years, or five years post-program completion). The language, however, will be updated for each survey administration to reflect the appropriate time period. Surveys will be administered electronically; a link to the

survey will be provided in an email invitation. CDC will discontinue the Host Site Supervisor Survey previously approved for the PHAP fellowship alumni.

CDC will use survey findings to document program outcomes, demonstrate evidence of impact, and inform decision making about future program direction. The results of these surveys may be published in peer reviewed journals and/or in non-scientific publications such as practice reports and/or fact sheets. OMB approval is requested for three years. The estimated burden is eight minutes per respondent per survey, and the total annualized estimated burden is 519 hours. Participation is voluntary and there are no costs to respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden time per response (in hours)	Total response burden (in hours)
DWD Fellowship Alumni	DWD Alumni 1-Year Survey	1300	1	8/60	173
DWD Fellowship Alumni	DWD Alumni 3-Year Survey	1300	1	8/60	173
DWD Fellowship Alumni	DWD Alumni 5-Year Survey	1300	1	8/60	173
Total	519

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[60Day-24-0138; Docket No. CDC-2023-0088]

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ACTION: Notice with comment period.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of Government information, invites the general public and other Federal agencies the opportunity to comment on a continuing information collection, as

required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on a proposed information collection project titled Pulmonary Function Testing Course Approval Program. The program consists of an application submitted by potential sponsors—universities, hospitals, and private consulting firms, who seek NIOSH approval to conduct courses, and if approved, notification to NIOSH of any course or faculty changes during the approval period, which is limited to five years.

DATES: CDC must receive written comments on or before December 29, 2023.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC-2023-0088 by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS H21-8, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, contact Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS H21-8, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; Telephone: 404-639-7570; Email: omb@cdc.gov.

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