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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Comment Request

In compliance with the requirement for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects (section 3506(c)(2)(A) of Title 44, United States Code, as amended by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) publishes periodic summaries of proposed projects being developed for submission to OMB under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of

the data collection plans and draft instruments, call the HRSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443-1891.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is 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: Implement performance standards for Special Projects of Regional or National Significance (SPRANS), Community Integrated Service Systems (CISS) projects, and other grant programs administered by MCHB.

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) proposes to modify reporting requirements for SPRANS projects, CISS projects, and

other grant programs administered by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB) to include national performance measures being developed in accordance with the requirements of the "Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993" (Public Law 103-62). This act requires the establishment of measurable goals for Federal programs that can be reported as part of the budgetary process, thus linking funding decisions with performance. Performance measures for States have already been established under the block grant provisions of Title V. Performance measures for other MCHB-funded grant programs are currently being finalized, and will be sent to the Office of Management and Budget for approval.

There are approximately 30 proposed new performance measures. However, some measures are specific to certain types of programs, and will not apply to all grantees. Furthermore, the measures are expected to be based primarily on existing data. Thus, response burden associated with this proposed requirement will be minimal. The estimated response burden is as follows:

Type of form	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Application and Annual Report	750	1	8	6,000

Send comments to Susan G. Queen, Ph.D., HRSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 11-05, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

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Jane Harrison,

Director, Division of Policy Review and Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

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

Periodically, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) publishes abstracts of information collection requests under review by the Office of Management and Budget, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of the

clearance requests submitted to OMB for review, call the HRSA Reports Clearance Office on (301) 443-1129.

The following request has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995:

Proposed Project: Ryan White CARE Act Dental Reimbursement Program (OMB No. 0915-0151)—Revision

The Dental Reimbursement Program (DRP) under Part F of the Ryan White CARE Act offers grants to accredited dental schools and programs that provide non-reimbursed oral health care to patients with HIV disease. The Ryan White CARE Act Amendments of 2000 expanded eligibility of this program to accredited schools of dental hygiene, in addition to previously funded schools of dentistry and post-doctoral dental education programs.

HRSA requests a revision to the DRP Application that schools and programs use to apply for funding of non-reimbursed costs incurred in providing oral health care to patients with HIV. Awards are authorized under section 776(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 294n). The 2001 DRP

Application is intended to collect data in three different areas: program information, patient demographics and services, and reimbursement and funding. It also requests applicants to provide narrative descriptions of their services and facilities, as well as their links and collaboration with community-based providers of oral health services.

The primary purpose of collecting this information annually, as part of the DRP Application, is to verify eligibility and determine the reimbursement amount each applicant should receive. This information also allows HRSA to learn about (1) the extent of the involvement of dental schools and programs in treating patients with HIV, (2) the number and characteristics of clients who receive CARE Act-supported oral health services, (3) the types and frequency of the provision of these services, (4) the non-reimbursed costs of oral health care provided to patients with HIV, and (5) how applicants intend to use DRP funds once they are received. In addition to meeting the goal of accountability to Congress, clients, advocacy groups, and the general public, information collected in the DRP