

Likely Respondents: HRSA applicants applying for federal loan guarantees, federal construction grants, and cooperative agreements.

Burden Statement: Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information requested. This includes the time

needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information; to search

data sources; to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

Total Estimated Annualized Burden Hours:

Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total responses	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden hours
NEPA EID Checklist	1,500	1	1,500	1	1,500
Total	1,500	1,500	1,500

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces that the Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children (ACHDNC or Committee) has scheduled a public meeting. Information about ACHDNC and the agenda for this meeting can be found on the ACHDNC website at <https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/heritable-disorders/index.html>.

DATES: Thursday, February 13, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. eastern time (ET) and Friday, February 14, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. ET.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held via webinar. While this meeting is open to the public, advance registration is required. Please visit the ACHDNC website for information on registration, <https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/heritable-disorders/index.html>, not later than 12 p.m. ET on February 12, 2025. Instructions on how to access the meeting via webcast will be provided upon registration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: CDR Leticia Manning, Maternal and Child

Health Bureau, HRSA, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room, Rockville, Maryland 20857; 301-443-8335; or ACHDNC@hrsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: ACHDNC provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services (Secretary) on the development of newborn screening activities, technologies, policies, guidelines, and programs for effectively reducing morbidity and mortality in newborns and children having, or at risk for, heritable disorders. The ACHDNC reviews and reports regularly on newborn and childhood screening practices, recommends improvements in the national newborn and childhood screening programs, and fulfills requirements stated in the authorizing legislation. In addition, ACHDNC's recommendations regarding inclusion of additional conditions for screening on the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel, following adoption by the Secretary, are evidence-informed preventive health services provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by HRSA pursuant to section 2713 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300gg-13). Under this provision, non-grandfathered group health plans and health insurance issuers offering non-grandfathered group or individual health insurance are required to provide insurance coverage without cost-sharing (a co-payment, co-insurance, or deductible) for preventive services for plan years (*i.e.*, policy years) beginning on or after the date that is 1 year from the Secretary's adoption of the condition for screening.

During the February 13-14, 2025, meeting, ACHDNC will hear from experts in the fields of public health, medicine, heritable disorders, rare disorders, and newborn screening. Possible agenda items may include the following topics:

(1) An interim update on the evidence review of metachromatic leukodystrophy,

(2) A presentation on the Newborn Screening Contingency Plan framework,

(3) A panel discussion on genomic sequencing in newborns,

(4) A presentation on the National Institutes of Health Newborn Screening by Whole Genome Sequencing Collaboratory, and

(5) An update from the ACHDNC Naming and Counting Condition ad hoc topic group and potential Committee vote on a list of conditions that should be considered for evidence review.

Although the agenda includes updates relating to evidence review of conditions that may lead to future votes, the meeting will not include any Committee votes to add conditions to the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate. Information about ACHDNC, including a roster of members and past meeting summaries, is also available on the ACHDNC website.

Members of the public will have the opportunity to provide comments on any or all of the above agenda items. Public participants may request to provide general oral comments and may submit written statements in advance of the scheduled meeting. Oral comments will be honored in the order they are requested and may be limited as time allows. Requests to provide a written statement or make oral comments to ACHDNC must be submitted via the registration website by 12 p.m. ET on Thursday, January 30, 2025. Written comments will be shared with the Committee prior to the meeting so that they have an opportunity to consider them in advance of the meeting.

Individuals who need special assistance or another reasonable accommodation should notify CDR Leticia Manning at the address and

phone number listed above at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Annual Update of the HHS Poverty Guidelines

AGENCY: Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides an update of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) poverty guidelines to account for last calendar year's increase in prices as measured by the Consumer Price Index.

DATES: January 15, 2025 unless an office administering a program using the guidelines specifies a different effective date for that particular program.

ADDRESSES: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Room 404E, Humphrey Building, Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC 20201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about how the guidelines are used or how income is defined in a particular program, contact the Federal, State, or local office that is responsible for that program. For information about poverty figures for immigration forms, the Hill-Burton Uncompensated Services Program, and the number of people in poverty, use the specific telephone numbers and addresses given below.

For general questions about the poverty guidelines themselves, contact Kendall Swenson, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Room 404E.3, Humphrey Building, Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC 20201—telephone: (202) 795–7309—or visit <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/>.

For general questions about the poverty guidelines themselves, visit <https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/>.

For information about the percentage multiple of the poverty guidelines to be used on immigration forms such as USCIS Form I–864, Affidavit of Support, contact U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services at 1–800–375–5283. You also may visit <https://www.uscis.gov/i-864>.

For information about the Hill-Burton Uncompensated Services Program (free

or reduced-fee health care services at certain hospitals and other facilities for persons meeting eligibility criteria involving the poverty guidelines), visit <https://www.hrsa.gov/get-health-care/affordable/hill-burton/index.html>.

For information about the number of people in poverty, visit the Poverty section of the Census Bureau's website at <https://www.census.gov/topics/income-poverty/poverty.html> or contact the Census Bureau's Customer Service Center at 1–800–923–8282 (toll-free) or visit <https://ask.census.gov> for further information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Section 673(2) of the Community Services Block Grant (42 U.S.C. 9902(2)) requires the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services to update the poverty guidelines at least annually, adjusting them on the basis of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI–U). The poverty guidelines are used by Medicaid and a number of other Federal programs as a criterion for some or all eligibility determinations. The *poverty guidelines* issued here are a simplified version of the *poverty thresholds* that the Census Bureau uses to prepare its estimates of the number of individuals and families in poverty.

As required by law, this update is accomplished by increasing the latest published Census Bureau poverty thresholds by the applicable percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI–U). The guidelines in this 2025 notice reflect the 2.9 percent price increase between calendar years 2023 and 2024. After updating for inflation, the guidelines are rounded and standardized to establish the same interval between each family size. In rare circumstances, rounding and standardizing in the formula result in small decreases in the poverty guidelines for some household sizes even when the inflation factor is not negative. In cases where the year-to-year change in inflation is not negative and rounding and standardizing in the formula result in reductions to the guidelines from the previous year for some household sizes, the guidelines for the affected household sizes are fixed at the prior year's guidelines. As in prior years, these 2025 guidelines are roughly equal to the poverty thresholds for calendar year 2024, which the Census Bureau expects to publish in final form in September 2025.

The poverty guidelines continue to be derived from the Census Bureau's current official poverty thresholds; they

are not derived from the Census Bureau's Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM).

The following guideline figures represent annual income.

2025 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR THE 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
1	\$15,650
2	21,150
3	26,650
4	32,150
5	37,650
6	43,150
7	48,650
8	54,150

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$5,500 for each additional person.

2025 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR ALASKA

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
1	\$19,550
2	26,430
3	33,310
4	40,190
5	47,070
6	53,950
7	60,830
8	67,710

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$6,880 for each additional person.

2025 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR HAWAII

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
1	\$17,990
2	24,320
3	30,650
4	36,980
5	43,310
6	49,640
7	55,970
8	62,300

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$6,330 for each additional person.

Separate poverty guideline figures for Alaska and Hawaii reflect Office of Economic Opportunity administrative practice beginning in the 1966–1970 period. (Note that the Census Bureau poverty thresholds—the version of the poverty measure used for statistical purposes—have never had separate figures for Alaska and Hawaii.) The