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Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Comment Request

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) will publish 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 instruments, call the HRSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443–1129

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 Projects

Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN) Data System

(OMB No. 0915-0157)—Extension and Revision—The data collection system of the OPTN and Scientific Registry provides for collection of data on organ transplantation, including heart, kidney, liver, heart-lung, pancreas and small intestine transplants. The OPTN data collection is required under Section 372 of the Public Health Service Act and includes data on pre-transplant activities. This includes cadaveric and live donor characteristics, and histocompatibility testing that is used in the matching of donor organs with recipients. Section 373 of the Public Health Service Act requires the Scientific Registry to collect, analyze and report on clinical and scientific data of importance to post-transplant graft and patient function. This involves a routine, periodic, submission of data for

each organ transplant patient at the time of transplant, one-year (or six months for heart transplant patients), and annually post-transplant until graft failure or patient death.

Information and data collected by the OPTN and Scientific Registry are used primarily to analyze policies for the allocation of donor organs, and to assess the clinical outcomes of transplantation. The data are also used by the committees and Board of Directors of the OPTN for developing and reviewing policies related to allocation, patient listing criteria, optimal organ preservation times, and infectious disease screening.

Respondents include organ procurement organizations (for cadaveric donor data), histocompatibility laboratories (for tissue typing data), and transplant hospitals (for pre- and post-transplant data on recipients). The data are used to issue two key reports—the Annual Data Report and the Report of Patient and Graft Survival Rates (issued biennially).

HRSA proposes to make only minor changes to the data elements to obtain more detailed information on transplant patients and their post-clinical course. For example, additional categories will be added to several items on the forms. HRSA invites comments on these and other possible changes to the OPTN and Scientific Registry datasets.

The estimated annual response burden is as follows:

Form Type	Number of respondents	No. of responses per respondent	Total re- sponses	Hours per re- sponse	Total bur- den hours
Cadaver Donor Registration/Referral	69	217	15,000	10.2	3,000
2. Living Donor Registration	69	54	3,700	0.2	740
3. Donor Histocompatibility	51	196	10,000	0.1	1,000
4. Potential Recipient Form	69	275	19,000	0.1	1,900
Recipient Histocompatibility	51	392	20,000	0.1	2,000
6. Transplant Candidate Registration	69	638	44,000	0.1	4,400
7. Thoracic Registration	166	21	3,500	0.3	1,050
8. Thoracic Follow-Up	166	101	16,800	0.3	5,040
9. Kidney Registration	248	49	12,200	0.3	3,660
10. Kidney Follow-Up	248	399	111,000	² 0.2	22,200
11. Liver Registration	119	34	4,000	0.4	1,600
12. Liver Follow-Up	119	176	21,000	0.4	8,400
13. Pancreas Registration	120	8	1,000	0.2	200
14. Pancreas Follow-Up	120	34	4,100	0.2	820
15. Intestine Registration	26	4	100	0.2	20
16. Intestine Follow-Up	26	8	200	0.2	40
Total	799	357	285,600	20	56,070

¹ It is estimated that 15,000 of these forms will be completed each year but approximately 9,500 will be referrals only. For those patients, only the first page of the form and one question on the second page will be completed. The average completion time for all 14,000 forms is 0.2 hours.

² Includes an estimated 20,000 kidney transplant patients, transplanted prior to the initiation of the data system, October 1, 1987.

Send comments to Patricia Royston, HRSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 14–36, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

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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:

Health Professions Student Loan (HPSL) Program and Nursing Student Loan (NSL) Program Administrative Requirements (Regulations and Policy) (0915–0047)—Extension and Revision

The regulations for the Health Professions Student Loan (HPSL) Program and Nursing Student Loan (NSL) Program contain a number of reporting and recordkeeping requirements for schools and loan applicants. The requirements are essential for assuring that borrowers are aware of their rights and responsibilities, that schools know the history and status of each loan account, that schools pursue aggressive collection efforts to reduce default rates. and that they maintain adequate records for audit and assessment purposes. For consistency with the current regulations which were amended recently (published in 61 FR 6118 on 2/16/96), minor changes have been made to the requirements included in this request for OMB approval.

Schools are free to use information technology to manage the information required by the regulations. The estimated burden is as follows:

RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS

Reg./section requirement		Hours per year	Total bur- den hours
HPSL Program:			
57.206(b)(2) Documentation of Cost of Attendance	290	1.17	339
57.206(b)(Ž) Documentation of Cost of Attendance	290	1.25	363
57.210(b)(1)(i) Documentation of Entrance Interview	290	1.25	363
57.210(b)(1)(ii) Documentation of Exit Interview	313	.33	103
57.215(a) & (d) Program Records	313	10	3,130
57.215(b) Student Records	313	10	3,130
57.215(c) Repayment Records	313	18.75	5,869
HPSL Subtotal	313	42.48	13,297
NSL Program:			
57.306(b)(2)(ii) Documentation of Cost of Attendance	435	.3	131
57.308(a) Promissory Note	435	.5	218
57.310(b)(1)(i) Documentation of Entrance Interview	435	.5	218
57.310(b)(1)(ii) Documentation of Exit Interview	909	.17	155
57.315(a)(1) & (a)(4) Program Records	909	5.0	4,545
57.315(a)(2) Student Records	909	1.0	909
57.315(a)(3) Repayment Records	909	2.5	2,273
NSL Subtotal	909	9.29	8,449

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Reg./sect. requirement	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Total annual responses	Hours per re- sponse	Total hour bur- den		
HPSL Program:							
57.205(a)(2) Excess Cash	[Burden included under 0915-0044 and 0915-0046]						
57.206(a)(3) Student Financial Aid Transcript	5,000	1	5,000	.25	1,250		
57.208(c) Loan Information Disclosure	290	72.41	21,000	.083	1,743		
57.210(a)(3) Deferment Eligibility	[Burden included under 0915–0044]						
57.210(b)(1)(i) Entrance Interview	290	72.41	21,000	.167	3,507		
57.210(b)(1)(ii) Exit Interview	313	15.97	5,000	.483	2,415		
57.210(b)(1)(iii) Notification of Repayment	313	35.14	11,000	.167	1,837		
57.210(b)(1)(iv) Notification During Deferment	313	28.75	9,000	.083	747		
57.210(b)(1)(vi) Notification of Delinquent Accounts	313	15.97	5,000	.167	835		
57.210(b)(1)(x) Credit Bureau Notification	313	12.78	4,000	.6	2,400		
57.210(b)(4)(i) Write-off of Uncollectible Loans	26	1.8	48	.5	24		
57.211(a) Disability Cancellation	16	1	16	.75	12		
57.215(a) Reports	[Burden included under 0915–0044]						
57.215(a)(2) Admin. Hearings	0	0	0	0	0		
57.216a(d) Admin. Hearings	0	0	0	0	0		
HPSL Subtotal	5,313	15.26	81,064	.182	14,770		