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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

TITLE: Phase II Evaluation Activities for Implementing a Next Generation Evaluation Agenda for the Chafee Foster Care Independence Program

OMB NO.: New Collection

DESCRIPTION: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Planning Research and Evaluation (OPRE) is proposing an information collection activity as part of the Phase II Evaluation Activities for Implementing a Next Generation Evaluation Agenda for the Chafee Foster Care Independence Program. The proposed information collection consists of site visits by staff from the Urban Institute and Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago to conduct formative evaluations of programs serving transition-age foster youth. The evaluations will include preliminary visits to discuss the evaluation process with program administrators. Then, the research team will conduct site visits to each program to speak with program leaders, partners and key stakeholders, front-line staff, and

participants. These formative evaluations will determine programs' readiness for more rigorous evaluation in the future. The activities and products from this project will help ACF to fulfill their ongoing legislative mandate for program evaluation specified in the Foster Care Independence Act of 1999.

RESPONDENTS: Program leaders, partners and stakeholders, and frontline staff as well as young adults being served by the programs.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total Number of Respondents	Annual Number of Respondents	Number of Responses Per Respondent	Average Burden Hours Per Response	Annual Burden Hours
Outreach email for discussion with program admin and staff	16	8	1	1	8
Outreach email for Focus Group Recruiters	16	8	1	8	64
Informed Consent and Discussion Guide for program leaders	48	24	4	1	96
Informed Consent and Discussion Guide for program partners and stakeholders	80	40	2	1	80
Informed Consent and Discussion Guide for program front-line staff	128	64	1	1	64
Informed Consent and Focus Group Guide for program participants	200	100	1	2	200
Compilation and Submission of Administrative Data	24	12	2	12	288

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 800

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 330 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20201, Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. E-mail address: OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

OMB COMMENT: OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the Federal Register.

Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following:

Office of Management and Budget

Paperwork Reduction Project

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Attn: Desk Officer for the Administration
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