



**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Health Resources and Services Administration**

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to OMB for Review and Approval;  
Public Comment Request; Information Collection Request Title: Delta States Rural  
Development Network Grant Program, OMB No. 0915-0386 – Revision**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, HRSA has submitted an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. Comments submitted during the first public review of this ICR will be provided to OMB. OMB will accept further comments from the public during the review and approval period.

**DATES:** Comments on this ICR should be received no later than **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, including the ICR Title, to the desk officer for HRSA, either by email to *OIRA\_submission@omb.eop.gov* or by fax to 202-395-5806.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request a copy of the clearance requests submitted to OMB for review, email the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer at *paperwork@hrsa.gov* or call (301) 443-1984.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** When submitting comments or requesting information, please include the information request collection title for reference, in compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

*Information Collection Request Title:* Delta States Rural Development Network Grant Program, OMB No. 0915-0386 – Revision

*Abstract:* The Delta States Rural Development Network Grant (Delta) Program is authorized by the Public Health Service Act, Section 330A(e) (42 U.S.C. 254c(e)), as Public Law 114–53. The Delta Program supports projects that demonstrate evidence-based and/or promising approaches around cardiovascular disease, diabetes, acute ischemic stroke, or obesity to improve health status in rural communities throughout the Delta Region. Key features of projects are adoption of an evidence-based approach, demonstration of health outcomes, program replicability, and sustainability.

*Need and Proposed Use of the Information:* For this program, performance measures

include: (a) Access to care, (b) population demographics, (c) staffing, (d) sustainability, (e) project specific domains, and (f) health related clinical measures. These performance measures enable HRSA's Federal Office of Rural Health Policy to aggregate program data required under the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (Pub. L. 103-62). The proposed revisions to the performance measures include reducing the number of reported measures and showing annual progress compared to baseline data submitted in the grant applications. Examples of the measures that will be removed include the number of people reached through indirect services and the number of quality improvement clinical guidelines/benchmarks adopted.

*Likely Respondents:* The respondents are the recipients of the Delta States Rural Development Network Program.

*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.

As a result of the reduction in performance measures, annualized burden is decreasing from 72 hours to 20 hours. 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
Delta States Rural Development Network Program Performance Improvement Measurement System	12	1	12	1.66	20
Total	12		12		20

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