In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the information collection request, titled Evaluation of Enhancing HIV Prevention Communication and Mobilization Efforts through Strategic Partnerships, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. CDC previously published a “Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations” notice on June 15, 2020 to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. CDC did not receive comments related to the previous notice. This notice serves to allow an additional 30 days for public and affected agency comments.

CDC will accept all comments for this proposed information collection project. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

(a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(d) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including, through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses; and

(e) Assess information collection costs.

To request additional information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, call (404) 639-7570. Comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Direct written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice to the Attention: CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395-5806. Provide written comments within 30 days of notice publication.

Proposed Project

Evaluation of Enhancing HIV Prevention Communication and Mobilization Efforts through Strategic Partnerships (OMB Control
Background and Brief Description

The Let’s Stop HIV Together (Together) campaign is a multifaceted national communication initiative that supports reduction of HIV incidence in the United States through multiple, concurrent communication and education campaigns for a variety of audiences, including the general public, populations most affected by HIV and health care providers. All components of the campaign support the comprehensive HIV prevention efforts of CDC and the Ending the HIV Epidemic initiative.

Within this context, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention (DHAP) is implementing various partnership activities to increase HIV awareness among the general public, reduce new HIV infections among disproportionally impacted populations, and improve health outcomes for people with HIV in United States and its territories. For example, DHAP is funding the “Enhancing HIV Prevention Communication and Mobilization Efforts through Strategic Partnerships” program. Partners funded under the partnership program will (1) support the dissemination of Together campaign materials, messaging, and other CDC resources that support HIV prevention and (2) implement national
engagement efforts focusing on HIV prevention and awareness. Partners represent civil, media, and LGBT-focused organizations.

In addition, DHAP will continue to support ongoing activities to engage and support the private sector in promoting HIV education, awareness, and policies in the workplace and community. Overall, partnership efforts serve to increase HIV awareness among the general public, reduce new HIV infections among disproportionately impacted populations, and improve health outcomes for people with HIV in the United States and its territories.

The project will evaluate the extent to which activities implemented by partners meet the initiative’s goals for disseminating, communicating, and engaging the public in HIV prevention and education activities. We will collect information from partners on their activities for disseminating HIV messages through materials distribution at national and local events, media and advertising, HIV testing facilitation, and formation and coordination of strategic partnerships; barriers and facilitators to implementation of these activities, and factors that may help contextualize their progress towards meeting the initiative’s goals; and their involvement in promoting HIV education, awareness, and policies in their organization. We will collect this information through these five sources: a) Metrics Database: Partners will be required to report quarterly data to CDC and CDC’s evaluation contractor through a metrics database. b) Biannual key informant interviews: The point of
contacts (POCs) from some partner organizations will be interviewed twice yearly via telephone. c) Interim Progress Reports: Partners will complete a standardized progress report on a biannual basis via a user-friendly electronic form. The progress reports will gather information on key successes, facilitators and barriers, and major achievements. d) Partner Survey: Partners will complete a brief online survey to assess their involvement in promoting HIV education, awareness, and policies in their organization. e) Partnerships Activities Form: Partners may be asked to complete a brief electronic form to provide information on each partner activity that they complete. The form will collect information on information such as the type of event, the audience, and key highlights; the number of HIV tests administered (if any) and the number of preliminary positives; the number and type of materials distributed. This information will allow CDC to know what partners are doing to advance HIV prevention and education, and how CDC can alter their partnership efforts to facilitate HIV prevention and education in the future. The organization (and not the individual) will be the unit of analysis. As such, no personally individually identifiable information will be collected. There is no cost to participants other than their time. The total estimated annualized burden hours are 4,411.

Estimate of Annualized Burden Hours
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