



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Agency Father Generic Information Collection Request; 60-Day Public Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary (OS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of a proposed collection for public comment.

DATES: Comments on the ICR must be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments to Sherrette.Funn@hhs.gov or by calling (202) 264-0041 and PRA@HHS.GOV

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: When submitting comments or requesting information, please include the document identifier 0990-0421-60D and project title for reference, to Sherrette A. Funn, email: Sherrette.Funn@hhs.gov, PRA@HHS.GOV or call (202) 264-0041 the Reports Clearance Officer.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

Title of the Collection: ASPE Father Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Research and Assessment

Type of Collection: Father Generic Clearance Request

OMB No. 0990-0421

Abstract:

The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) is requesting a renewal with changes for their father generic clearance for purposes of conducting qualitative research. ASPE conducts qualitative research to gain a better understanding of emerging health policy issues, develop future intramural and extramural research projects, and to ensure HHS leadership, agencies and have relevant data for evidence-based program and policy decision-making. ASPE is requesting approval for at least four types of qualitative research: (a) interviews, (b) focus groups, (c) questionnaires, and (d) other qualitative methods.

ASPE advises the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services on policy development in health, disability, human services, data, and science, and provides advice and analysis on economic policy. ASPE leads special initiatives, coordinates the Department's evaluation, research, and demonstration activities, and manages cross-Department planning activities such as strategic planning, legislative planning, and review of regulations. Integral to this role, ASPE will use this mechanism to conduct qualitative research, evaluation, or assessment, conduct analyses, and understand needs, barriers, or facilitators for HHS-related programs and services.

Need and Proposed Use of the Information: ASPE is requesting comment on the burden for qualitative research aimed at understanding emerging health and human services policy issues.

The goal of developing these activities is to identify emerging issues and research gaps to ensure the successful implementation of HHS programs. The participants may include health and human services experts; national, state, and local health or human services representatives; public health, human services, or healthcare providers; representatives of other health or human services

organizations, and people with lived experience. The increase in burden from 2,000 respondents in 2020 to 5,000 respondents in 2023 reflects an estimated increase in the number of research projects and information collections expected to be conducted prior to the expiration of the current generic package.

Annualized Burden Hour Table

Type of Respondent	Number of Responses per Respondents	Average Burden hour per Response (within minutes)	Total Burden Hours
Health or Human Services Policy Stakeholder	1	1	5,000
<u>Total</u>	1		5,000

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Office of the Secretary.

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