



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

**Proposed Information Collection Activity; Sexual Risk
Avoidance Education Program Performance Analysis Study -
Extension (Office of Management and Budget (OMB) #0970-
0536) .**

AGENCY: Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation,
Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department
of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE) and the Family and Youth Services Bureau in the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) request an extension without changes to a currently approved information collection activity as part of the Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (SRAE) Program Performance Analysis Study (PAS). The goal of the study is to collect, analyze, and report on performance measures data for the SRAE program (OMB Control No. 0970-0536; expiration date 12/31/2023). The purpose of the requested extension is to continue the ongoing data collection and submission of the performance measures by SRAE grantees. Materials under the submission will be updated to reflect only surveys currently in use.

DATES: *Comments due within 60 days of publication.* In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ACF is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above.

ADDRESSES: You can obtain copies of the proposed collection of information and submit comments by emailing OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov. Identify all requests by the title of the information collection.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description: The purpose of the SRAE program is to educate youth on how to voluntarily refrain from nonmarital sexual activity and prevent other youth risk behaviors. Data will continue to be used to determine if the SRAE grantees are meeting performance benchmarks related to their program's mission and priorities.

The SRAE PAS collects performance measures data from SRAE grantees, program providers, and participants. The data include information on program structure, cost, and support for implementation; program attendance, reach, and dosage; the characteristics of youth involved in programming; youth sexual and other risky behavior prior to program participation; and youth sexual and other risky behavior intentions at program exit. The performance measures help the ACF program office and grantees to

monitor and report on progress in implementing SRAE programs and inform technical assistance.

Some of the performance measures data come from youth participants through surveys SRAE grantees administer at program entry and exit. There are separate versions of the entry and exit surveys for middle school youth, which exclude some of the more sensitive items that are included in the versions for high school and older youth. There is also a shorter version of the entry survey for programs conducting impact studies, to reduce the burden on participants in those programs who are likely responding to other surveys as part of their impact study. Although there was a version of the exit survey for programs conducting impact studies in the past, youth in these programs complete the same version of the exit survey as other youth. As the shorter exit surveys are no longer in use, they will be removed through this request.

Respondents: General Departmental (GDSRAE), State (SSRAE), and Competitive (CSRAE) grantees, their subrecipients, and program participants.

Annual Burden Estimates

Instrument	No. of Respondents (total over request period)	No. of Responses per Respondent (total over request period)	Avg. Burden per Response (in hours)	Total Burden (in hours)	Annual Burden (in hours)
(1) Participant Entry Survey					
GDSRAE participants	378,390	1	0.1333	50,439	16,813
SSRAE participants	952,899	1	0.1333	127,021	42,340
CSRAE participants	60,408	1	0.1333	8,052	2,684
(2) Participant Exit Survey					
GDSRAE participants	302,712	1	0.1667	50,462	16,821
SSRAE participants	762,319	1	0.1667	127,079	42,360
CSRAE participants	48,326	1	0.1667	8,056	2,685
(3) Performance reporting data entry form: grantees					
GDSRAE grantees	119	6	16	11,424	3,808
SSRAE grantees	39	6	16	3,744	1,248
CSRAE grantees	34	6	16	3,264	1,088
(4) Performance reporting data entry form: subrecipients					
GDSRAE subrecipients	252	6	13	19,656	6,552
SSRAE subrecipients	426	6	13	33,228	11,076
CSRAE subrecipients	63	6	13	4,914	1,638

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 149,113

Comments: The Department specifically requests comments 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) 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.

Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

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