

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.

Dated: February 26, 1998.
Bob Sargis,
Acting Reports Clearance Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Interim Tribal TANF Data Report.

OMB NO.: New Collection.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Interim Tribal TANF Data Report	18	4	451	32,472

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 32,472.

Additional Information: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, Division of Information Resource Management Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer.

OMB Comments: 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, 725
 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.
 20503, Attn: Ms. Wendy Taylor.

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Bob Sargis,
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Child Welfare Demonstrations Pursuant to Section 1130 of the Social Security Act (the Act); Parts B and E of Title IV of the Act; Pub.L. 103-432 and Pub.L. 105-89

AGENCY: Administration on Children, Youth and Families, ACF, DHHS.
ACTION: Public Notice.

SUMMARY: This public notice announces that the Department of Health and Human Services (Department) is seeking proposals on child welfare demonstration projects and has published Information Memorandum ACYF-CB-IM-98-01 dated February 13, 1998, entitled Child Welfare Demonstration Projects, which informs interested parties of (1) the principles, goals and objectives the Department will consider in exercising its discretion to approve or disapprove demonstration projects which would require waivers of certain sections of the Act under the authority in section 1130 (b) (of Part A of title XI) of the Social Security Act (the Act), added by Pub.L. 103-432 and amended by Pub.L. 105-89; (2) the procedures the Department expects the States to employ in involving the public in the development of proposed demonstration projects under section 1130; and (3) the procedures the

Description: This information is being collected to meet the statutory requirements of section 411 of the Social Security Act and section 116 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. It consists of desegregated demographic and program information that will be used to determine participation rate and other statutory required indicators for the Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Tribal TANF) program.

Respondents: Tribal Governments.

Department will follow in receiving and reviewing the demonstration proposals.

The Information Memorandum (1) contains guidelines and procedures for submitting a proposal; and (2) identifies limitations on demonstration projects and provisions of titles IV-B and IV-E of the Act that are not subject to waiver. The Department will give preference to proposals that test policy and service program alternatives that are unique in their approach to serving children and families, that differ significantly from other approved child welfare demonstrations, and that are from States that have not previously been approved for a Child Welfare Demonstration project. The Department will give first consideration to proposals that reflect the topical priorities outlined in Appendix I of the Information Memorandum.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the Information Memorandum containing the guidelines, procedures for submission and topical priorities can be found at the ACF Website at <http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/cb/demonstrations> or may be obtained from the National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information, P.O. Box 1182, Washington, DC 20013, (800) 394-3366, INTERNET address <nccanch@calib.com>. For information contact the Children's Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, DHHS at (202) 205-8618.
DATES: Proposals for a Child Welfare Demonstration project will be accepted

at any time. States that are interested in a project to be considered for approval in fiscal year 1998 may qualify for priority attention by sending a Letter of Intent before March 16, 1998 and submitting a full proposal by April 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: All Letters of Intent and complete proposals should be submitted to Michael W. Ambrose, Children's Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, 330 C Street, SW, Room 2068, Washington, DC 20201. Facsimile transmission of Letters of Intent ONLY will be accepted providing it is followed by an original copy. The FAX number is (202) 260-9345.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This announcement and Information Memorandum Number ACYF-CB-IM-98-01 do not create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or equity, by any person, or entity, against the United States, its agencies or instrumentalities, the States, or any other person.

Dated: February 18, 1998.

James A. Harrell,

Deputy Commissioner, Administration on Children, Youth and Families.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

President's Committee on Mental Retardation; Meeting

Agency Holding the Meeting: President's Committee on Mental Retardation.

Time and Date: March 13-15, 1998; March 13-12 p.m.-5 p.m.; March 14-9 a.m.-5 p.m.; March 15-9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Place: Renaissance Mayflower Hotel, 1127 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Status: Full Committee Meetings are open to the public. An interpreter for the deaf will be available upon advance request. All meeting sites are barrier free.

To be Considered: The Committee plans to discuss critical issues concerning Federal Policy, Federal Research and Demonstration, State Policy Collaboration, Minority and Cultural Diversity and Mission and Public Awareness, relating to individuals with mental retardation.

The PCMR acts in an advisory capacity to the President and the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on a broad range of topics relating to programs, services, and supports for persons with mental retardation. The Committee, by Executive Order, is responsible for evaluating the adequacy of current practices in programs and supports for persons with mental retardation, and for reviewing legislative

proposals that impact the quality of life that is experienced by citizens with mental retardation and their families.

Contact Person for More Information: Gary H. Blumenthal, 352-G Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20201-0001, (202) 619-0634.

Dated: February 25, 1998.

Gary H. Blumenthal,

Executive Director, President's Committee on Mental Retardation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 97N-0517]

Medical Devices; Device Tracking; New Orders to Manufacturers

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that the agency has issued new orders to manufacturers of devices that were subject to tracking. These new orders became effective on February 19, 1998, and require manufacturers to continue tracking the devices under the revised tracking provisions of the recently enacted Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997 (FDAMA). FDAMA allows the agency discretion in issuing orders to manufacturers to track devices that meet certain criteria. FDA is soliciting comments on what factors should be considered in exercising its discretion in determining whether the agency should not track a particular device, even though it meets the statutory criteria. FDA specifically is requesting comments on whether there are factors that FDA should consider in exercising its discretion in releasing certain devices listed in this notice from tracking requirements. Elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**, FDA is announcing the availability of a guidance that addresses device tracking under FDAMA, including the application of certain requirements under the current tracking regulations. **DATES:** Written comments concerning this notice may be received by May 4, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 12420 Parklawn Dr., rm. 1-23, Rockville, MD 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Casper E. Uldriks, Center for Devices and Radiological Health (HFZ-300), Food and Drug Administration, 2098 Gaither Rd., Rockville, MD 20850, 301-594-4692.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Safe Medical Device Act of 1990 (the SMDA) added tracking provisions to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) by adding new section 519(e) of the act (21 U.S.C. 360i(e)). As added by the SMDA, section 519(e)(1) of the act required the adoption of a method of tracking, even if FDA did not issue an order. Specifically, any person registered under section 510 of the act (21 U.S.C. 360), and engaged in the manufacture of a device, had to track the device if the failure of that device would be reasonably likely to have serious adverse health consequences, and the device was either a permanently implantable device or a life sustaining or life supporting device used outside a device user facility. Section 519(e)(2) of the act also authorized FDA to "designate" other devices that must be tracked.

FDA issued regulations implementing tracking requirements in the **Federal Register** of August 16, 1993 (58 FR 43442). The regulations became effective on August 29, 1993, and are codified in part 821 (21 CFR part 821). Under tracking provisions established by the SMDA, manufacturers had the responsibility to identify devices that met the statutory criteria for tracking. For illustrative purposes, the agency set out in § 821.20(b)(1) and (b)(2) a list of example devices it considered subject to mandatory tracking under section 519(e)(1) of the act. Devices designated for tracking by FDA under section 519(e)(2) of the act were listed in § 821.20(c).

FDAMA was enacted on November 21, 1997. Section 211 of FDAMA amended section 519(e)(1) of the act to authorize FDA, in its discretion, to issue orders that require a manufacturer to track a class II or class III device if the failure of the device would be reasonably likely to have serious adverse health consequences, or the device is intended to be implanted in the human body for more than 1 year, or is life sustaining or life supporting and used outside a device user facility. Section 519(e)(2) of the act, as amended by FDAMA, provides that patients receiving a tracked device may refuse to provide their name, address, social security number, or other identifying information, for tracking purposes. Accordingly, tracking may be required