

interventions are most needed and important to you?

(C) As a health care provider, what kinds of information about CAM practices and interventions are most needed and important to you?

The Town Hall Meeting is open to the public and opportunities for oral comments and written statements by the public will be provided.

Name of Committee: The White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy.

Date: October 30–31, 2000.

Place: Town Hall Seattle, Seneca Room, 1119 Eighth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101.

Contact Persons: Stephen C. Groft, Pharm. D., Executive Director, or Michele Chang, CMT, MPH, Executive Secretary; 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 1010, MSC-7707, Bethesda, MD 20817-7707; Phone: (301) 435-7592, Fax: (301) 480-1691, E-Mail: WHCCAMP@od.nih.gov.

The President established the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy on March 7, 2000 by Executive Order 13147. The mission of the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy is to provide a report, through the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, on legislative and administrative recommendations for assuring that public policy maximizes the benefits of complementary and alternative medicine to Americans.

Because of the need to obtain the views of the public on these issues as soon as possible and because of the early deadline for the report required of the Commission, this notice is being provided at the earliest possible time.

Public Participation

The Town Hall meeting is open to the public with attendance limited by the availability of space on a first come, first serve basis. Members of the public who wish to present oral comment may register by calling 1-800-953-3298 or by accessing the website at <http://www.whccamp.hhs.gov> no later than October 25, 2000.

Oral comments will be limited to five minutes. Individuals who register to speak will be assigned in the order in which they registered. Due to time constraints, only one representative from each organization will be allotted time for oral testimony. The number of speakers and the time allotted may also be limited by the number of registrants. All requests to register should include the name, address, telephone number, and business or professional affiliation of the interested party, and should

indicate the area of interest or question (as described above) to be addressed. Individuals interested in attending the meeting to observe the proceedings but not to provide oral testimony should also register.

Any person attending the meeting who has not registered to speak in advance of the meeting will be allowed to make a brief oral statement at the conclusion of the morning and afternoon sessions, if time permits, and at the chairperson's discretion.

Individuals unable to attend the meeting, or any interested parties, may send written comments by mail, fax, or electronically to the staff office of the Commission for inclusion in the public record. When mailing or faxing written comments, please provide, if possible, an electronic version or a diskette.

Persons needing special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other special accommodations, should contact the Commission staff at the address or telephone number listed no later than October 25, 2000.

Dated: October 11, 2000.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is providing an opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call the CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer at 404-639-7090.

Comments are invited on: (i) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the CDC, including whether the information shall have a practical utility; (ii) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (iii) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and

clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Send comments to Anne O'Connor, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D24, Atlanta, Georgia 30333. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project: Health Hazard Evaluations/Technical Assistance and Emerging Problems (OMB No. 0920-0260)—Extension

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

In accordance with its mandates under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 and the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) responds each year to approximately 400 requests for health hazard evaluations to identify potential chemical, biological, or physical hazards at the workplace.

Approximately half of these requests require that NIOSH conduct a short-term field study to adequately address the issues raised by the requester. Since 1970, more than 10,000 of these studies have been completed. The main purpose of these studies is to help employers and employees identify and eliminate occupational health hazards. Ninety-five percent of these investigations respond to specific requests for assistance from employers, employees, employee representatives, or other government agencies. The remaining investigations are short-term field investigations initiated by NIOSH because it received information that a chemical, biological or physical agent may be hazardous to workers. In these investigations, NIOSH determines whether the issue warrants more detailed studies. Approximately 50% of the field investigations involve interviews or the administration of a questionnaire to the workers. Each questionnaire is specific to that workplace and its suspected diseases and/or hazards; however, questionnaires are derived from standard medical evaluation techniques. NIOSH distributes interim and final reports of the investigations, excluding personal identifiers, to requesters, employers, employee representatives, the Department of Labor (OSHA and MSHA), and, as appropriate, other state and federal agencies. Following the completion of field investigations, NIOSH administers follow-back questionnaires to employer and

employee representatives at the workplace to assess program effectiveness and identify areas for improvement. Because of the large

number of investigations conducted each year, the need to respond quickly to requests for assistance, and the diverse nature of these investigations,

NIOSH requests clearance for data collection in these investigations. The total estimated annual cost to respondents is \$40,950.

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of response per respondent	Avg. burden total per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Employees (initial interviews)	4,200	1	.25	1,050
Employees (questionnaires interviews)	5,250	1	.50	2,625
Employees (follow-back questionnaires)	420	1	.50	210
Employees (follow-back questionnaires)	420	1	.50	210
Total				4,095

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Nancy Cheal,

Acting Associate Director for Policy Planning, and Evaluation, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: Tribal TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families)
Experience: Problems, Solutions, and Lesson Learned.

OMB Number: New collection.

Description: The proposed research has four objectives: (1) To develop national-level research-based information on tribal TANF that is responsive to the needs of the tribal governments in making decisions on initiating their own TANF programs, as well as the needs of policymakers at federal, state, and local levels; (2) to develop objective performance measures for tribal TANF programs; (3) to develop a decision-support system to help tribal officials assess the advantages, disadvantages, risks and opportunities associated with operating a TANF program; and (4) to develop a tribal TANF Handbook that incorporates the experiences, best practices, and lessons learned.

Support Services International, Incorporated (SSI), an Indian-owned consulting firm, shall develop the data

collection instruments and conduct the study. Data will be collected through: (1) Telephone surveys with staff at all current tribal TANF programs (a total of 27), a sample of 10 non-TANF tribes, and relevant officials in 20 states; (2) in-depth interviews with program staff on site visits to 9 tribes (7 TANF tribes and 2 non-TANF tribes); and (3) focus groups of 6-9 TANF recipients at each of the 7 tribal TANF sites visited. Four respondents at each site will be included in the telephone survey, and four in each in-depth on-site interview. The non-TANF tribes includes in the research samples are from a group of tribes that have considered the option of developing and operating their own tribal-specific TANF programs, but have declined to do so.

Respondents: Individuals.

Annual Burden Estimates:

Data collection instrument	Estimated No. of respondents	Responses per respondents	Average burden hour per interview*	Total burden hrs
Telephone Interview Guide	228	1	0.50	114
Personal Interview Guide	36	1	1.0	36
Focus Group Notes	53	1	0.8	44

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 194.

There are no Capital Costs, Operating Costs and/or Maintenance Costs to report for this information collection.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded to the Administration for Children and

Families, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments on: (a) Whether the information collection activity 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: October 13, 2000.

Bob Sargis,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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