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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects:

Title: Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES) and Quality Research Centers.

OMB No.: Revision of a currently approved collection (OMB No. 0970-0151).

Description: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is requesting comments on plans to collect data on a new cohort for the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES). This study is being conducted under contract with Westat, Inc. (with Xtria, LCC and the CDM Group as their subcontractors) (contract #GS23F8144H; order #03Y00318101D) to collect

information on Head Start performance measures.

FACES will involve four waves of data collection. The first wave will occur in Fall 2003. Data will be collected on a sample of approximately 2,600 children and families from about 260 classrooms across 70 programs. Data collection will include assessments of Head Start children, interviews with their parents, and ratings by their Head Start teachers. Further, site visitors will interview Head Start teachers and make observations of the types and quality of classroom activities.

The second wave, which will be a repeat of the Fall 2003 data collection, will occur in Spring 2004 when the sample children are at the end of their first year of Head Start.

The third wave will occur in Spring 2005, and will involve follow-up with children who at this time are either completing a second year in Head Start, or completing kindergarten. For those children who are still attending Head Start, data collection will follow the same procedures as in Spring 2004. For those children attending kindergarten, data collection will include assessments of Head Start children, an "update" survey of the information collected from the parent interview, and ratings of the children's academic progress and school adjustment by kindergarten teachers.

The fourth wave of data collection will occur in Spring 2006. Children who

attended kindergarten the previous year will not be included in this wave. The procedures for this effort will be the same as for kindergartners in Spring 2005.

For the Head Start Quality Research Centers, 100 children in eight sites will be followed during each of two program years, 2003-2004 and 2004-2005. FACES procedures will be carried out, including child assessments, parent and teacher interviews, and observations of types and quality of classroom activities.

This schedule of data collection is necessitated by the mandates of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993 (Pub. L. 103-62), which requires that the Head Start Bureau move expeditiously toward development and testing of Head Start Performance Measures, and by the 1994 reauthorization of Head Start (Head Start Act, as amended, May 18, 1994, Section 649 (d)), which requires periodic assessments of Head Start's quality and effectiveness.

Respondents: Federal Government, Individuals or Households, and Not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Estimates

Estimated Response Burden for Respondents to the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey (FACES 2003)—Fall 2003, Spring 2004, Spring 2005, Spring 2006.

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Year 1 (2003)				
Head Start Parent Interview	2,600	1	1.00	2,600
Head Start Child Assessment	2,600	1	0.66	1,716
Teacher Child Rating	260	10	0.25	650
Program Director Interview	70	1	1.00	70
Center Director Interview	130	1	1.00	130
Education Coordinator Interview	130	1	0.75	98
Teacher Interview	260	1	1.00	260
Year 2 (2004)				
Head Start Parent Interview	2,210	1	0.75	1,658
Head Start Child Assessment	2,210	1	0.66	1,459
Teacher Child Rating	260	8	0.25	520
Family Service Coordinator Interview	130	1	0.75	173
Year 3 (2005)				
Head Start Parent Interview	730	1	0.75	548
Head Start Child Assessment	730	1	0.66	482
Teacher Child Rating	85	6	0.25	128
Kindergarten Parent Interview	1,480	1	0.75	1,110
Kindergarten Child Assessment	1,480	1	0.75	1,110
Kindergarten Teacher Questionnaire	1,480	1	0.50	740
Year 4 (2006)				
Kindergarten Parent Interview	740	1	0.75	555
Kindergarten Child Assessment	740	1	0.75	555
Kindergarten Teacher Questionnaire	740	1	0.50	370
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours				14,932

Estimated Response Burden for
Respondents to the Head Start Quality

Research Centers (FACES QRC 2003)—
Fall 2003, Spring 2004, Spring 2005.

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of re- sponses per respondent	Average bur- den hours per response	Total burden hours
Year 1 (2003)				
Head Start Parent Interview	800	1	1.00	800
Head Start Child Assessment	800	1	0.66	528
Teacher Child Rating	80	10	0.25	20
Teacher Interview	80	1	1.00	80
Year 2 (2004)				
Head Start Parent Interview	1,480	1	1.00	1,480
Head Start Child Assessment	1,480	1	0.66	977
Teacher Child Rating	160	8	0.25	320
Year 3 (2005)				
Head Start Parent Interview	680	1	1.00	680
Head Start Child Assessment	680	1	0.66	449
Teacher Child Rating	180	6	0.25	270
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours				5,604

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families 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 by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Administration, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. E-mail address: rsargis@acf.hhs.gov. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

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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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 2003N-0079]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Consumer and Producer Surveys on Economic Issues

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that the proposed collection of information listed below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Fax written comments on the information collection by July 7, 2003.

ADDRESSES: OMB is still experiencing significant delays in the regular mail, including first class and express mail, and messenger deliveries are not being accepted. To ensure that comments on the information collection are received, OMB recommends that written comments be faxed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attn: Fumie Yokota, Desk Officer for FDA, FAX: 202-395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Robbins, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA-250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In compliance with 44 U.S.C. 3507, FDA

has submitted the following proposed collection of information to OMB for review and clearance.

Consumer and Producer Surveys on Economic Issues (OMB Control Number 0910-0478)—Extension

Under section 903(d)(2) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 393), FDA is authorized to conduct research relating to regulated articles and to collect information relating to responsibilities of the agency. Executive Order 12866, the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), and the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (SBREFA) direct Federal agencies to conduct regulatory impact analysis, and to consider flexible regulatory approaches. In order to perform the mandatory analysis, it is often necessary to survey regulated producers to determine existing practices and the changes in those practices likely under various policy options, both consumers and manufacturers to explore attitudes towards policy proposals, and industry experts to solicit expert opinion. FDA is seeking OMB clearance to conduct future surveys to implement Executive Order 12866, RFA, and SBREFA. Participation in the surveys will be voluntary. This request covers regulated entities, such as food processors, dietary supplement manufacturers, health professionals, or other experts and consumers.

FDA will use the information gathered from these surveys to identify current business practices, expert opinion, and consumer or manufacturer attitudes towards existing or proposed policy. FDA projects approximately 2 to 6 surveys per year, with a sample of between 10 and 1,000 respondents each