

Guidelines published in the **Federal Register** on April 13, 2004 (69 FR 19644). After receiving DOT certification, the laboratory will be included in the monthly list of HHS certified laboratories and participate in the NLCP certification maintenance program.

Pat Bransford,

Acting Executive Officer, SAMHSA.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Notice of SAMHSA's Ceasing Publication of Notices of Funding Availability (NOFAs) and Requests for Applications (RFAs) in the Federal Register

SUMMARY: Consistent with the Department of Health and Human Services management objectives, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) announces a change in its practice of publishing notices of grant funding availability in the **Federal Register**. Rather than continue publishing NOFAs and RFAs in the **Federal Register**, SAMHSA will instead post notices of funding availability only on <http://www.Grants.gov> and <http://www.samhsa.gov>. Only single source or limited competition announcements will continue to be published in the **Federal Register**. This change will be effective January 3, 2005.

Applicants should be aware that all the necessary information to apply for grant funds will continue to be available at SAMHSA's two national clearinghouses: The National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug

Information (NCADI)—1-800-729-6686—for substance abuse prevention or treatment grants; and the National Mental Health Information Center—1-800-789-CMHS (2647)—for mental health grants.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cathy J. Friedman, M.A., SAMHSA, 1 Choke Cherry Road, Room 8-1097, Rockville, MD 20857; phone (240) 276-2316; E-mail: cathy.friedman@samhsa.hhs.gov.

Dated: December 28, 2004.

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Director, Office of Policy, Planning and Budget, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed new information collections. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), this notice seeks comments concerning the need to collect program information from

stakeholders of the National Fire Programs (NFP), a part of the United States Fire Administration (USFA).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As an entity of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the mission of the USFA is to reduce life and economic losses due to fire and related hazards. The NFP, within the USFA, oversees the development of campaigns, products, services, curriculum and doctrine for leadership development training and educational courses. These programs are designed to increase the capacity and interoperability of the fire and emergency services on prevention, mitigation, and response to local emergencies and preparedness for consequences of day-to-day and larger scale disasters.

Collection of Information

Title: National Fire Programs (NFP) Stakeholders Interview.

Type of Information Collection: New collection.

OMB Number: 1660-NEW14.

Form Numbers: None.

Abstract: Consistent with performance-based management practices, the NFP is developing a comprehensive Strategic Business and Implementation Plan. This information collection will capture stakeholders' perspective critical to the NFP's ability to plan effectively and deliver demand-driven products and services. Data findings will be used to: (1) Support the development of the Strategic Business and Implementation Plan, and (2) set customer service standards.

Affected Public: State, local and Tribal governments, and Not-for-Profit Institutions.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 50 hours.

ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS

| Project/activity (survey form(s), focus group, etc.) | Number of respondents | Frequency of responses | Burden hours per respondent | Annual responses | Total annual burden hours |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| | (A) | (B) | (C) | (AxB) | (AxBxC) |
| Stakeholders' Interviews | 50 | 1 | 1 | 50 | 50 |
| Total | 50 | 1 | 1 | 50 | 50 |

Estimated Cost: \$23 per response/interview.

Comments: Written comments are solicited to (a) Evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency,

including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated,

electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. Comments should be received within 60 days of the date of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, Chief, Records Management Section, Information Resources Management Branch, Information Technology Services Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security, 500 C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington, DC 20472.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Colleen Heilig, Training Specialist, U.S. Fire Administration at (301) 447-1613 for additional information. You may contact Ms. Anderson for copies of the proposed collection of information at facsimile number (202) 646-3347 or e-mail address: FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov.

Dated: December 27, 2004.

George S. Trotter,

Acting Branch Chief, Information Resources Management Branch, Information Technology Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

National Communications System

National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee

AGENCY: National Communications System (NCS).

ACTION: Notice of closed meeting.

SUMMARY: The President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee (NSTAC) will meet via conference call on Wednesday, January 19, 2005, from 4 p.m. until 5 p.m. The conference call will be closed to the public. The NSTAC advises the President of the United States on issues and problems related to implementing national security and emergency preparedness (NS/EP) communications policy.

Summary of Agenda

At this meeting, the NSTAC will receive briefings concerning the Department's national planning activities for critical infrastructure protection; the interim findings of the NSTAC's Next Generation Network Task

Force (NGNTF), and private sector vulnerability mitigation activities that are expected to include discussion of sensitive, commercially confidential and proprietary vulnerability and infrastructure protection information.

Basis for Closure: In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2), the Department has determined that the aforementioned briefings and the associated discussion will concern matters sensitive to homeland security within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and (c)(9)(B) and that, accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Call Ms. Kiesha Gebreyes, Chief, Industry Operations Branch at (703) 607-6134, or write the Manager, National Communications System, P.O. Box 4502, Arlington, Virginia 22204-4502.

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Acting Deputy Manager, National Communications System.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4903-N-105]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; HUD Standardized Grant Application Forms

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

HUD is requesting approval for a revision of a currently approved information. The proposed forms are to be used to support a consolidated and streamlined grant application processes in accordance with the provisions of Public Law 106-107, The Federal Financial Assistance Improvement Act of 1999. The forms are similar to those used in previous annual grant application processes.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* February 3, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB

approval Number (2501-0017) and should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: (202) 395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, AYO, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Wayne_Eddins@HUD.gov; or Lillian Deitzer at Lillian_L_Deitzer@HUD.gov or telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins or Ms. Deitzer and at HUD's Web site at <http://www5.hud.gov:63001/po/i/icbts/collectionsearch.cfm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development has submitted to OMB a request for approval of the information collection described below. This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: HUD Standardized Grant Application Forms.

OMB Approval Number: 2501-0017.

Form Numbers: HUD-424-B, Applicant Assurances and Certifications; HUD-424-CB, Grant Application Detailed Budget; HUD-424-CBW, Grant Application Detailed Budget Worksheet; HUD-424-M, Federal Assistance Funding Matrix and Certifications.

Description of the Need for the Information and its Proposed Use: The proposed forms are to be used to support a consolidated and streamlined grant application processes in accordance with the provisions of Public Law 106-107, the Federal Financial Assistance Improvement Act