Federal Reserve to distinguish these trends from transitory phenomena.

3. Report titles: Quarterly Report of Interest Rates on Selected Direct Consumer Installment Loans and Quarterly Report of Credit Card Plans. Agency form numbers: FR 2835 and FR 2835a.

OMB control number: 7100-0085.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Reporters: Commercial banks. Annual reporting hours: FR 2835, 132 hours; and FR 2835a, 100 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: FR 2835, 13.2 minutes; and FR 2835a, 30 minutes.

Number of respondents: FR 2835, 150; and FR 2835a, 50.

Small businesses are not affected. General description of report: These information collections are voluntary (12 U.S.C. 248(a)(2)). The FR 2835a individual respondent data are given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4)), the FR 2835 data however, is not given confidential treatment.

Abstract: The FR 2835 collects the most common interest rate charged at a sample of 150 commercial banks on two types of consumer loans made in a given week each quarter: new auto loans and other loans for consumer goods and

personal expenditures.

The FR 2835a collects information on two measures of credit card interest rates from a sample of 50 commercial banks (authorized panel size), selected to include banks with \$1 billion or more in credit card receivables, and a representative group of smaller issuers. The data are representative of interest rates paid by consumers on bank credit cards because the panel includes virtually all large issuers and an appropriate sample of other issuers.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 23, 2009.

### Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E9-4115 Filed 2-25-09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210-01-P

# **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

# Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Agency Information Collection **Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request** 

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare

Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approve the proposed information collection project: "Colorado Regional Health Information Exchange (CORHIO)—Point of Care Exchange System Evaluation: Point of Care Questionnaires and Focus Groups." In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), AHRQ invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection.

This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register on December 1st, 2008 and allowed 60 days for public comment. No comments were received. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by March 30, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to: AHRQ's OMB Desk Officer by fax at (202) 395-6974 (attention: AHRQ's desk officer) or by email at OIRA submission@omb.eop.gov (attention: AHRQ's desk officer).

Copies of the proposed collection plans, data collection instruments, and specific details on the estimated burden can be obtained from the AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Doris Lefkowitz, AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 427–1477, or by e-mail at doris.lefkowitz@ahrg.hhs.gov.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **Proposed Project**

Colorado Regional Health Information Exchange (CORHIO)—Point of Care Exchange System Evaluation: Point of Care Questionnaires and Focus Groups

AHRQ proposes a case study of the point-of-care (POC) clinical exchange system at the Colorado Regional Health Information Exchange (COHRIO). The COHRIO is an AHRQ State and Regional Demonstration Project contract which supports the administrative and technical implementation of an information technology service to provide secure electronic transmission of clinical information between partner health care entities to improve the efficiency, quality, and safety of patient

The key element of CORHIO is the POC clinical exchange system, which doctors can use to access information about individual patients as they care for them. The POC clinical exchange system is an Internet-based portal which allows authorized users to log in and request clinical information for a specific patient. The POC clinical

exchange system is composed of two functions: The patient search function and the data exchange function. The patient search function is supported by the CORHIO master patient index, which is an index of all the patients that have been seen within a given time period at CORHIO's partner health care organizations (HCOs). The patient search function allows users to enter identifying information for a patient, such as name, date of birth, or medical record number, and searches to determine if the patient has received medical care at one of the partner HCOs. The POC clinical exchange system will then display all potential matching identities available at the CORHIO partner HCOs. Users select the appropriate match, if it exists, and request available data for the selected patient. The data exchange function aggregates and displays the available data from multiple partner HCOs for the selected patient.

This proposed information collection will provide input from clinicians at four participating HCOs regarding the usability of the system and the value of the exchanged clinical information to inform decision-making, patient disposition and potentially redundant test ordering. Additionally, this case study will provide important information to inform future design and phase implementation of the CORHIO system.

This case study is being conducted pursuant to AHRQ's statutory mandate to conduct and support research, evaluations and initiatives to advance the creation of effective linkages between various sources of health information, including the development of information networks (42 U.S.C. 299b-3(a)(3)).

# **Method of Collection**

This case study includes 2 distinct data collections regarding the POC clinical exchange system:

- 1. POC Questionnaire—a survey of end-users at three emergency departments (ED) regarding their experiences with the POC clinical exchange system and its effect on patient care. This questionnaire will be used to collect data from the EDs for one week quarterly in 2009 and for the first quarter of 2010.
- 2. Focus Groups—focus groups with select high- and low-use users of the POC clinical exchange system from each of the three EDs and one call Center. Focus groups will be conducted at 4 and 8 months after users begin using the POC system.

## **Estimated Annual Respondent Burden**

Exhibit 1 shows the estimated burden hours for the respondents' time to participate in this project. The POC questionnaire will be administered to the three participating EDs only, while the focus groups will be held at both the EDs and the one participating call center. The POC questionnaire will be administered quarterly for an entire week at each ED. There are typically two doctors per shift, 21 shifts per week and an average of 25 patients seen by each doctor per shift. One attending

physician per shift will respond, resulting in about 525 patient encounters per each ED over a one week period. Since the POC questionnaire will be completed for each patient seen, 525 questionnaires will be completed each quarter, resulting in about 2,100 completed questionnaires per year (4 quarters × 525 per quarter) per ED. The POC questionnaire is estimated to require about two minutes to complete.

However, the POC clinical exchange system will be used for only about 10 percent of the visits. This means that for 90 percent of the visits providers will check off "Did not use" and select a reason why they did not use the system, which will take 5 to 10 seconds. The maximum time of two minutes was used for all responses to calculate a conservative estimate of the burden.

The focus groups will be conducted twice a year at each of the four participating facilities and are expected to take one hour or less to complete. The maximum expected time of one hour was used to calculate a conservative estimate of the burden. The total burden hours for all data collections is estimated to be 242 hours.

### EXHIBIT 1—ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Form name	Number of respondents	Number of re- sponses per respondent	Hours per response	Total burden hours
POC Questionnaire	3 4	2,100 8	2/60 1	210 32
Total	7	na	na	242

Exhibit 2 shows the annualized cost burden for the respondent's time to

participate in this project. The total cost burden is estimated to be \$21,775.

#### EXHIBIT 2—ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST BURDEN

Form name	Number of respondents	Total burden hours	Average hour- ly wage rate*	Total cost burden
POC Questionnaire Focus Groups	3 4	210 32	\$92.03 76.53	\$19,326 2,449
Total	7	242	na	21,775

<sup>\*</sup>Based upon the weighted average of the "registered nurse" mean and the "surgeon" mean of the average wages, May 2007 National Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates, United States, U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes\_nat.htm#b29-0000 (accessed Nov. 1, 2008). The "surgeon" mean salary was used for the 3 ED respondents and the "registered nurse" mean salary was used for the 1 Call Center.

# Estimated Annual Costs to the Federal Government

Exhibit 3 shows the total and annualized cost of this two-year project

to the Federal government. The total cost is \$34,730 and includes \$7,500 for project development, \$8,400 for data collection activities, \$6,580 for data

processing and analysis, \$1,000 for the publication of results and \$11,250 for project management.

# EXHIBIT 3—ESTIMATED COST

Cost component	Total cost	Annualized cost
Project Development Data Collection Activities Data Processing and Analysis Publication of Results Project Management Overhead	\$7,500 8,400 6,580 1,000 11,250	\$3,750 4,200 3,290 500 5,625 0
Total	34,730	17,365

#### **Request for Comments**

In accordance with the above-cited Paperwork Reduction Act legislation, comments on AHRQ's information collection are requested with regard to any of the following: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of AHRQ health care research, quality improvement and information

dissemination functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of AHRQ's estimate of burden (including hours and costs) of the proposed collection(s) of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information upon the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the Agency's subsequent request for OMB approval of the proposed information collection. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: February 17, 2009.

### Carolyn M. Clancy,

Director.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

# Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approve the proposed information collection project: "Understanding Patients' Knowledge and Use of Acetaminophen." In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), AHRQ invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by April 27, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be submitted to: Doris Lefkowitz, Reports Clearance Officer, AHRQ, by email at *doris.lefkowitz@ahrq.hhs.gov*.

Copies of the proposed collection plans, data collection instruments, and specific details on the estimated burden can be obtained from the AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Doris Lefkowitz, AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 427–1477, or by e-mail at doris.lefkowitz@ahrq.hhs.gov.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **Proposed Project**

"Understanding Patients' Knowledge and Use of Acetaminophen"

This proposed data collection is a qualitative study to preliminarily identify issues that relate to the misuse and overdosing of over-the-counter (OTC) acetaminophen. Toxicity from acetaminophen has been on the rise in the past 3 decades, and is now the most common cause of acute liver failure in the U.S., surpassing viral hepatitis. This data collection has two aims. Aim 1 is to qualitatively explore knowledge, attitudes, beliefs, and practices regarding adult and adolescent selfadministration of OTC acetaminophen, and parental administration of OTC acetaminophen to children. To meet Aim 1, focus groups will be conducted with adults and semi-structured interviews will be conducted with adolescents. Aim 2 is to qualitatively explore experiences and practices of key professional informants, including physicians and pharmacists, with respect to communicating information on the administration and risks of OTC acetaminophen to consumers and patients. Semi-structured interviews will be conducted with target key informants. The results of this qualitative study will provide an understanding of the relevant issues and will be used to develop a comprehensive survey. A second OMB clearance package will be developed once the questionnaire for the survey is available.

This project is being funded by AHRQ pursuant to a cooperative agreement with the University of Pennsylvania (Award 1 U18HS017991) as part of the Centers for Education and Research on Therapeutics (CERTs) program. The CERTs program is a national initiative, administered by AHRQ in consultation with the Food and Drug Administration, to increase awareness of the benefits and risks of new, existing, or combined uses of therapeutics through education and research. See 42 U.S.C. 299b–1(b).

### **Method of Collection**

Aim 1—Focus groups and individual interviews

Four focus groups will be conducted with parents of young children to examine administration of acetaminophen to children. Four focus groups will also be conducted with adults to identify the issues, barriers, and psychosocial factors surrounding how, when, and why OTC acetaminophen is used. Focus groups will each have 6 to 8 participants. Semistructured interviews will be conducted

with adolescents to examine selfadministration of acetaminophen among this group.

Content areas to be explored are: a. Knowledge about acetaminophen: Brands, terms, combinations, dosage, administration, indications; b. beliefs about benefits and risks, including thresholds for toxicity and death; c. patterns and frequency of use; d. sources of information (e.g., physicians, pharmacists, media); e. related experiences in peers (e.g., advice, reports of toxicity); and f. views about labeling, packaging and legislation (e.g., restrictions in sales).

Aim 2—Semi-structured interviews with physicians and pharmacists

Twenty primary care physicians and 20 pharmacists will be interviewed. Primary care physicians will be recruited through a primary care research network of physicians from both private and public clinics. Pharmacists will be recruited at pharmacy facilities from hospitals and clinics. Interviews will be conducted over the phone or in person, according to the participant's preference, and will last approximately 20 minutes. All interviews will be audio-taped and transcribed. Participants will be asked about the following: a. Frequency and patterns of interaction with consumers and patients with respect to acetaminophen; b. types of information provided to consumers; c. availability of education materials; and d. views about labeling, packaging and legislation.

# **Estimated Annual Respondent Burden**

Exhibit 1 shows the estimated annualized burden hours for the respondents' time to participate in this project. The screening form will be completed by all participants and is expected to take approximately 3 minutes to complete. Focus groups will include 2 populations: Parents of children 8 years of age and adults, and will last about 11/2 hours. Semistructured interviews will be conducted with 20 adolescents, 20 primary care physicians, and 20 pharmacists and will last 20 to 30 minutes. The selfadministered questionnaire will be completed by the focus group participants and the adolescent participants of the semi-structured interviews, and will take about 6 minutes to complete. The total burden for all participants is estimated to be 134 hours.

Exhibit 2 shows the estimated annualized cost burden for the respondent's time to participate in the project. The total cost is estimated to be \$2,001.