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(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(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; and

(e) Assess information collection costs.

To request additional information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, call (404) 639-7570 or send an email to [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov). Direct written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice to the Attention: CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395-5806. Provide written comments within 30 days of notice publication.

Proposed Project

National Electronic Health Records Survey (NEHRS) (OMB Control No. 0920-1015, Exp. 07/31/2020)—

Revision—National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

The National Electronic Health Records Survey (NEHRS) is a national survey of office-based physicians conducted by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). NEHRS is sponsored by the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). The survey is conducted under the authority of Section 306 of the Public Health Service Act (41 U.S.C. 242k).

The purpose of this study is to collect information on office-based physicians' adoption and use of electronic health record (EHR) systems, practice information, patient engagement, controlled substances prescribing practices, use of health information exchange, and documentation and burden associated with medical record systems. The respondents are a sample of office-based physicians. Data collection is done directly through a self-administered web questionnaire, self-administered paper questionnaire or computer-assisted telephone interview. NEHRS collects information on

characteristics of U.S. office-based physicians practicing ambulatory medical care, including specific focus on EHR adoption and use.

Having data that can identify a physician office's ability to perform specific computerized tasks helps track the adoption and use of new health information technologies across various physician and practice characteristics (e.g., specialty, office type, and ownership) over time. These annual data, together with trend data, may be used to monitor the effects of change in the health care system, provide new insights into ambulatory medical care, and stimulate further research on the use, organization, and delivery of ambulatory care.

Data from the National Electronic Health Records Survey (NEHRS) have been used by researchers in reports and programs such as *Health, United States* and *Healthy People 2020*, in addition to various other reports and research across federal, public, and international communities. The results of the data will help provide more information about the use and adoption of EHRs by office-based physicians both nationally and by state.

A total of 5,151 annualized burden hours are requested for this three-year submission.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)
Office-based Physicians or office staff .....	NEHRS .....	10,302	1	30/60

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the information collection request titled Comprehensive HIV Prevention and Care for Men Who

Have Sex with Men of Color to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. CDC previously published a “Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations” notice on August 13, 2019 to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. CDC did not receive comments related to the previous notice. This notice serves to allow an additional 30 days for public and affected agency comments.

CDC will accept all comments for this proposed information collection project. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

(a) 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;

(b) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies 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;

(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; and

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### Proposed Project

Comprehensive HIV Prevention and Care for Men Who Have Sex with Men of Color (OMB Control No. 0920-1178, Exp. 4/30/2020)—Extension—National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHHSTP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

### Background and Brief Description

Approximately 40,000 people in the United States are newly infected with HIV each year. Gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men (MSM) remain the population most affected by HIV infection in the United States (US). Among MSM, those who are black and Hispanic comprise 64% of all new infections. Goals of the National HIV Prevention Strategy and the new initiative “Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America” include increasing the number of MSM of color living with HIV infection who achieve HIV viral suppression with antiretroviral treatment (ART), and decreasing the number of new HIV infections among MSM of color at risk of acquiring an HIV infection.

Antiretroviral (ARV) medications for pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) can be used for HIV prevention by MSM at substantial risk for HIV acquisition or by those with a possible HIV exposure in the past 72 hours post-exposure prophylaxis (nPEP). The daily use of co-formulated tenofovir disoproxil fumarate and emtricitabine (marketed as Truvada) for PrEP has been proven to significantly reduce the risk of HIV acquisition among sexually active MSM. In July 2012, the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved an HIV prevention indication for Truvada, and in May 2014 CDC published clinical practice guidelines for provision of PrEP. Given the high incidence of HIV among MSM of color, those who are sexually active are considered at risk for HIV acquisition and thus could benefit from prevention services such as routine and frequent HIV screening with lab-based fourth generation HIV tests, routine screening for STDs, assessment of PrEP eligibility, provision of PrEP (if at substantial risk for HIV acquisition), provision of nPEP (if a possible HIV

exposure occurred in the past 72 hours), and/or other risk reduction interventions.

Among people living with HIV (PLWH), ARV treatment can suppress HIV viral load, which both improves health outcomes of individuals and reduces the risk of HIV transmission. Two studies, one that demonstrated the effectiveness of ARV treatment in preventing HIV transmission, and one that demonstrated improved health outcomes for individuals whose ARV treatment was initiated immediately, have led to increased public health focus on interventions and strategies designed to initiate ARV treatment, link, retain, and re-engage PLWH in HIV care, and to provide support for adherence to ARV medications.

The purpose of this project is to support state and local health departments to develop and implement demonstration projects for provision of comprehensive HIV prevention and care services for MSM of color by creating a collaborative with CBOs, clinics and other health care providers, and behavioral health and social services providers in their jurisdiction. Behavioral health services include mental health and substance abuse treatment to enable MSM of color to utilize HIV prevention and care services; social services include services that promote access to housing, job counseling, and employment services to enable MSM of color to utilize HIV prevention and care services.

Comprehensive models of HIV prevention and care for MSM of color will be developed and implemented by a collaborative that is led by the jurisdiction's health department and includes the following: Health care providers (*e.g.*, federally qualified health centers (FQHCs), FQHC Look-Alikes, other clinics, or health care providers); HIV care providers (*e.g.*, clinics funded through the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP clinics), other HIV care clinics, or HIV care providers); behavioral health and social services providers (*i.e.*, mental health and substance abuse services, housing programs, and job training or employment services); and community based organizations (CBOs). Principles of high impact prevention should guide the selection and implementation of activities and strategies to focus on MSM of color at substantial risk for HIV infection (*i.e.*, eligible for prevention with PrEP), and those living with HIV. MSM of color who are at risk for HIV acquisition but not eligible for or decline PrEP will be provided risk reduction interventions, partner services

if diagnosed with an STD, re-testing for HIV and STDs in 3–6 months, and behavioral health and social services. The risk of HIV acquisition should be assessed at every encounter with an individual, and MSM of color at substantial risk of HIV acquisition should be offered PrEP when indicated by the risk assessment.

There are a total of 24 required HIV prevention and care services that must be provided by the health department collaborative for this project, including 13 HIV prevention services for MSM of color at substantial risk for HIV infection and 11 HIV care services for MSM of color living with HIV infection.

HIV prevention services include: (1) HIV testing that uses lab-based 4th generation HIV tests; (2) Assessment of indications for pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and non-occupational post-exposure prophylaxis (nPEP); (3) Provision of PrEP and nPEP; (4) Adherence interventions for PrEP and nPEP; (5) Immediate linkage to care, ARV treatment, and partner services for those diagnosed with acute HIV infection; (6) Expedient linkage to care, ARV treatment, and partner services for those diagnosed with established HIV infection; (7) STD screening and treatment; (8) Partner services for patients with STDs; (9) Behavioral risk reduction interventions; (10) Screening for behavioral health and social services needs; (11) Linkage to behavioral health and social services; (12) Navigators to assist utilizing HIV prevention and behavioral health and social services; and (13) Navigators to assist enrollment in a health plan.

HIV care services include: (1) HIV primary care, including antiretroviral (ARV) treatment; (2) Retention interventions; (3) Re-engagement interventions; (4) Adherence interventions; (5) STD screening and treatment; (6) Partner services; (7) Behavioral risk reduction interventions; (8) Screening patients for behavioral health and social services needs; (9) Linkage to behavioral health and social services; (10) Navigators to assist linking to care and accessing behavioral health and social services; and (11) Navigators to assist enrollment in a health plan.

CDC HIV program grantees will collect, enter or upload, and report agency-identifying information, budget data, information on HIV prevention and care services, and client demographic characteristics. The total annual burden hours are 1,534 hours. There are no other costs to respondents other than their time.

## ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondent	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)
THRIVE Partners .....	Monitoring and Evaluation Data Elements on HIV Prevention and Care Services.	80	2	9
	Qualitative Interview: Collaborative Process Evaluation.	80	1	40/60
	Collaborative Assessment Tool .....	80	1	20/60
THRIVE Awardees .....	Monitoring and Evaluation Data Elements on HIV Prevention and Care Services.	7	2	1
	Qualitative Interview: Collaborative Process Evaluation.	7	1	40/60
	Collaborative Assessment Tool .....	7	1	20/60
	Funding Allocation Report .....	7	1	20/60

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on CMS' intention to collect information from the public. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, and to allow a second opportunity for public comment on the notice. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions, the accuracy of the estimated burden, ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to

minimize the information collection burden.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by December 27, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** When commenting on the proposed information collections, please reference the document identifier or OMB control number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be received by the OMB desk officer via one of the following transmissions:

OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: CMS Desk Officer, Fax Number: (202) 395-5806  
OR, Email: [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov).

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, you may make your request using one of following:

1. Access CMS' website address at website address at <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRA-Listing.html>.

1. Email your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to [Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov).

2. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786-1326.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William Parham at (410) 786-4669.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. The term "collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section

3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires federal agencies to publish a 30-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, CMS is publishing this notice that summarizes the following proposed collection(s) of information for public comment:

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision with change of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) 2020 Audit Protocol; *Use:* Sections 1894(e)(4) and 1934(e)(4) of the Act and the implementing regulations at 42 CFR 460.190 and 460.192 mandate that CMS, in conjunction with the SAA, audit PACE organizations (POs) annually for the first 3 years (during the trial period), and then at least every 2 years following the trial period. The information gathered during this audit will be used by the Medicare Parts C and D Oversight and Enforcement Group (MOEG) within the Center for Medicare (CM) and CMS Regional Offices, as well as the SAA, to assess PO's compliance with PACE program requirements. If outliers or other data anomalies are detected, CMS' Regional Offices will work in collaboration with MOEG and other divisions within CMS for follow-up and resolution. Additionally, POs will receive the audit results, and will be required to implement corrective action to correct any identified deficiencies.

CMS currently uses 18 data collection instruments for conducting PACE audits. These instruments are categorized as a PACE audit process and data request, a questionnaire, a pre-audit issue summary, a Root Cause Analysis template and 16 impact analyses templates. Beginning in audit