

## ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES—Continued

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Total number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Annex B: Status of Application Report—Article 12 .....	54	36	.33	642
Annex C: Application for Establishment of a Decision, including restricted information on the Applicant .....	54	4	.5	108
Annex C: Status of Application Report—Article 12 .....	54	9	.33	160
Annex D: Application for Modification of a Decision, including Restricted Information on the Applicant .....	54	4	.5	108
Annex D: Status of Application Report—Article 12 .....	54	9	.33	160
Annex E: Financial Circumstances Form .....	54	45	2	4,860

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 13,001.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 654(20) and 666(f).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Children and Families

#### Proposed Information Collection Activity; Form ACF–196T, Tribal TANF Financial Report (OMB #0970–0345)

**AGENCY:** Office of Family Assistance; Administration for Children and Families; HHS.

**ACTION:** Request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** Form ACF–196T is used by tribes to report expenditures for the Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) grant. The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) will use the financial data provided by tribes to estimate quarterly funding needs, calculate

award amounts, and assess compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements. ACF is requesting an extension with no changes to the form and minor updates to the instructions.

**DATES:** *Comments due within 60 days of publication.* 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.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by emailing [infocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:infocollection@acf.hhs.gov). Alternatively, copies can also be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE), 330 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20201, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests, emailed or written, should be identified by the title of the information collection.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Description:* Tribes use Form ACF–196T to report expenditures for the Tribal TANF grant. Authority to collect and report this information is found in

the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Public Law 104–193. Tribal entities with approved tribal plans for implementation of the TANF program are required under Section 412(h) of the Social Security Act to report financial data. Form ACF–196T provides for the collection of data regarding federal expenditures. Failure to collect this data would seriously compromise ACF's ability to monitor expenditures. This information is also used to estimate outlays and may be used to prepare ACF budget submissions to Congress. Financial management of the program would be seriously compromised if the expenditure data were not collected. 45 CFR part 286 Subpart E requires the strictest controls on funding requirements, which necessitates review of documentation in support of tribal expenditures for reimbursement. Comments received from previous efforts to implement a similar Tribal TANF Report Form ACF–196T were used to guide ACF in the development of the product presented with this submittal.

*Respondents:* All approved Tribal TANF Agencies.

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Form	Total number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Annual burden hours
ACF–196T .....	72	4	1.5	432

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 432.

**Comments:** In compliance with the requirements of Section 506(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 Planning, Research and Evaluation, 330 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20201. Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. Email address: [infocollection@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:infocollection@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.

**Authority:** U.S.C. Section 402 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 602).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Community Living

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; SHIP-SMP Survey of Group Outreach and Education Events, Formerly the "Senior Medicare Program National Beneficiary Survey", OMB #0985-0056

**AGENCY:** Administration for Community Living, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Administration for Community Living (ACL) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on the proposed collection of information listed above. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish a notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

This notice solicits comments on the Proposed Revision and solicits comments on the information collection requirements related to the "National SHIP-SMP Beneficiary Survey of Group Outreach and Education Events".

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information must be submitted electronically by 11:59 p.m. (EST) or postmarked by February 28, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to: Sara Vogler. Submit written comments on the collection of information to Administration for Community Living, Washington, DC 20201, Attention: Sara Vogler.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sara Vogler, Administration for Community

Living, Washington, DC 20201, 202-795-7461, [Sara.Vogler@acl.hhs.gov](mailto:Sara.Vogler@acl.hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. "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.

The PRA requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, ACL is publishing a notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

With respect to the following collection of information, ACL invites comments on our burden estimates or any other aspect of this collection of information, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of ACL's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of ACL's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine burden estimates; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

The SHIP-SMP Survey of Group Outreach and Education Events is a survey of individuals who attend outreach and education events provided by the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) or Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP). These events help Medicare beneficiaries understand their Medicare benefits and options. These events also increase the ability of beneficiaries to identify fraud, waste, and abuse within health care programs generally, and Medicare/Medicaid specifically.

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) was created under the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990. This section of the law authorized the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to make grants to states to establish and maintain health insurance advisory service programs for

Medicare beneficiaries. Grant funds were made available to support information, counseling, and assistance activities related to Medicare, Medicaid, and other health insurance options.

The Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program was authorized in 1997 under Titles II and IV of the Older Americans Act, the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriation Act of 1997 and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. The SMP mission is to empower and assist Medicare beneficiaries, their families, and caregivers, to prevent, detect, and report suspected healthcare fraud, errors, and abuse through outreach, counseling, and education.

SMP grantees support ACL's goals of promoting increased choice and greater independence among older adults and individuals with disabilities. SMP activities enhance the financial, emotional, physical, and mental well-being of older adults, thereby increasing their capacity to maintain security in retirement and make better financial and healthcare choices.

SHIP-SMP grantees provide group outreach and education through presentation events, and this collection will survey the attendees of those events. The SHIP-SMP Survey of Group Outreach and Education Events will focus on group outreach and education events and the individuals who attend them, to determine if the target audience is satisfied with the information they are receiving. This is a renewal of the existing Senior Medicare Program National Beneficiary Survey, which received clearance on August 28, 2017, with ICR Reference Number 201702-0985-003 and OMB Control Number 0985-0056. That survey was conducted over a three-year period beginning on October 1, 2017, and will conclude on March 30, 2020. To date, the Senior Medicare Program National Beneficiary Survey has generated over 5000 responses, all of which were submitted anonymously and voluntarily.

ACL requests renewal of the survey to continue the collection performed in Fiscal Years 2018, 2019, and 2020. Reports developed for FY18 and FY19 participants have provided an overall measure of presentation attendee satisfaction and have provided insight into the relationship between presentation inputs (information provided, access to presentations) and overall satisfaction. The renewed survey will include both SHIP and SMP presentations and will survey every participating state and territory at least once each year.

To generate a sample with a 95% confidence level at the national level