

1990 with DOE, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has been given the responsibility and resources for conducting analytic epidemiologic investigations of residents of communities in the vicinity of DOE facilities, workers at DOE facilities, and other persons potentially exposed to radiation or to potential hazards from non-nuclear energy production use. HHS delegated program responsibility to CDC.

In addition, an MOU was signed in October 1990 and renewed in November 1992 between ATSDR and DOE. The MOU delineates the responsibilities and procedures for ATSDR's public health activities at DOE sites required under sections 104, 105, 107, and 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or "Superfund"). These activities include health consultations and public health assessments at DOE sites listed on, or proposed for, the Superfund National Priorities List and at sites that are the subject of petitions from the public; and other health-related activities such as epidemiologic studies, health surveillance, exposure and disease registries, health education, substance-specific applied research, emergency response, and preparation of toxicological profiles.

**Purpose:** This subcommittee is charged with providing advice and recommendations to the Director, CDC, and the Administrator, ATSDR, regarding community, American Indian Tribes, and labor concerns pertaining to CDC's and ATSDR's public health activities and research at respective DOE sites. Activities focus on providing a forum for community, American Indian Tribal, and labor interaction and serve as a vehicle for community concern to be expressed as advice and recommendations to CDC and ATSDR.

**Matters to be Discussed:** Agenda items include presentations from the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH), the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), and ATSDR on the progress of current studies; presentations by Radiological Assessments Corporation on the SRS Environmental Dose Reconstruction Project Task 3: Source Term Calculations and Task 4: Data Evaluation; and results of the Fernald Dosimetry Reconstruction Project. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

An unavoidable administrative delay prevented meeting the fifteen day publication requirement.

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## Health Care Financing Administration [Document Identifier: HCFA-R-96]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summaries of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. **HCFA-R-96 Type of Information Collection Request:** Extension of currently approved collection; **Title of Information Collection:** Emergency and Foreign Hospital Services-Beneficiary Statement In Canadian Travel Claims and Supporting Regulation 42 CFR 424.123; **Form No.:** HCFA-R-96; **Use:** This form is completed by beneficiaries, representative, or assignees to support claims for payments for Medicare covered emergency services provided in Canada. 42 CFR 424.123 is the regulation supporting this collection of information; **Frequency:** On occasion; **Affected Public:** Individuals or households; **Number of Respondents:** 1,100; **Total Annual Responses:** 1,100; **Total Annual Hours:** 275.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site Address at <http://www.hcfa.gov>, or to obtain the supporting statement and any related forms, E-mail your request, including your address and phone number, to [Paperwork@hcfa.gov](mailto:Paperwork@hcfa.gov), or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 60 days of this notice directly to the HCFA Paperwork Clearance Officer designated at the following address: HCFA, Office of Financial and Human Resources, Management Analysis and

Planning Staff, Attention: John Burke, Room C2-26-17, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

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## National Institutes of Health

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Evaluation of NIH Implementation of Section 491 of the Public Health Service Act, Mandating a Program of Protection for Research Subjects

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Office of the Director, will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval.

**PROPOSED COLLECTION:** Title: Evaluation of NIH Implementation of Section 491 of the Public Health Service Act, Mandating a Program of Protection for Research Subjects. Type of Information Collection: EXTENSION of OMB No. 0925-0404, expiration 12/31/96. Need and use of Information Collection: This study will assess the performance of the system of human subjects protections. It will provide up-to-date comprehensive and systematic information on the effectiveness and efficiency of procedural protections by measuring outcome, output, process, and resources of the current system to develop possible recommendations. The study will use survey, interview, and record extraction methodologies. Development of the survey instruments and methodology has involved representatives of the affected public over the past 2 years. Frequency of Response: One time response. Affected Public: Individuals or households; Not-for Profit Institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Government. Type of Respondents: University officials, staff, and faculty. The annual reporting burden is as follows: Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,358; Number of Responses per Respondent: 1; Average Burden per Response: 0.513 hr.; and Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested: 1,210. The annualized cost to respondents is \$57,605. There are no