Health Communications (CR14) and insert the following:

Office of Health Communication (CR14). (1) Provides national leadership, in consultation with the NCID divisions and programs and the CDC Office of Communication, on the implementation of a comprehensive and integrated program of public health communications for the prevention an control of new and reemerging infectious diseases; (2) plans, develops, coordinates, and evaluates NCID-wide networks, partnerships, systems, and standards for public and professional health communications; (3) advises the Director and other NCID leadership staff on health communication strategies; (4) provides expert technical assistance, consultation, and training to NCID staff on theory-based health education, behavioral science, distance education, community organization, and electronic, print, and oral communications; (5) develops infectious disease prevention and control messages and promotes their dissemination to lay and professional audiences through various marketing techniques; (6) investigates, plans, develops, evaluates, and promotes the use of electronic technology to expand NCID's health communications capacity and impact in collaboration with CDC communication and information offices, state and local health departments, and other prevention partners; (7) provides services, coordination, identification, guidance, and training for, and promotes usage of, state-of-the-art electronic communication technologies; (8) provides editorial and clearance assistance in the preparation of scientific articles and other documents and products for electronic and hard copy publication or presentation; (9) produces NCID-wide publications, including a newsletter, anthologies and compilations, and cross-cutting background documents; and manages NCID's technical information resources, including document databases.

Office of Surveillance (CR16). (1) Provides leadership, guidance, and coordination on NCID surveillance activities and systems; (2) provides NCID leadership on issues related to internal and external integration of CDC surveillance; (3) advises the Director on surveillance priorities for determining the burden of infectious diseases; (4) provides direction and oversight for the Emerging Infections Programs (EIPs) and sentinel surveillance networks through cooperative agreements with state/local health departments and other organizations; (5) provides technical assistance and direction for surveillance activities in the Epidemiology and Laboratory capacity cooperative agreements and other emerging infections activities/programs with a surveillance emphasis; (6) provides leadership for enhancing surveillance of infectious diseases through collaboration with managed care organizations; (7) provides technical leadership for and consultation on international infectious diseases surveillance activities; (8) provides NCID leadership on economic analysis and prevention effectiveness evaluation of infectious disease control and prevention activities; (9) in carrying out the above functions, collaborates, as appropriate, with other Centers, Institute, and Offices (CIOs) of the CDC.

Dated: June 1, 1998.

Clarie V. Broome,

Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Notice of Publication of Biennial Report to the Congress on the Status of Children in Head Start Programs; Fiscal Year 1997

AGENCY: Head Start Bureau, Administration on Children Youth and Families, ACF, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice of publication and availability of FY 1997 Biennial Report to Congress on the Status of Children in Head Start Programs.

SUMMARY: The Head Start Bureau announces publication of the Biennial Report to Congress on the Status of Children in Head Start Programs. This report is mandated under Section 650 of the Head Start Act, as amended, which requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to submit a report to the Congress, at least once during every two-year period, on the status of children in Head Start programs. The sources of data for this report were the Program Information Report (PIR), the Head Start Cost System (HSCOST), the Head Start Monitoring Tracking System (HSMTS) and the 1990 Census.

Head Start is a comprehensive child development program for low-income preschool children and their families. Head Start provides high quality early childhood education which emphasizes cognitive and language development, social and emotional development, physical and mental health, nutrition, social services and parent involvement. The goal of Head Start is to bring about a greater degree of social competence in the children of low-income families by enhancing their effectiveness in dealing with their present environment, and with later responsibilities in school and life.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Statutory Authority

Section 650 of the Head Start Act, as amended, requires that the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services submit a report to the Congress concerning the status of children in Head Start programs.

This notice is submitted to the **Federal Register** in compliance with Section 650 of the Head Start Act, as amended, which states that upon submitting the Biennial Report on the Status of Children in Head Start Programs to Congress, a notification must be placed in the **Federal Register** announcing the report has been submitted to Congress, and noting that the report is available to the general public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A copy of the Head Start Biennial Report may be obtained by contacting: Head Start Publications Management Center, P.O. Box 26417, Alexandria, VA 22313. The fax number is (703) 683–5769. The e-mail address is HSPMC6@idt.net.

Dated: June 3, 1998.

Helen H. Taylor,

Associate Commissioner, Head Start Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 98N–0335]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of