

including awareness and use of the US MEC, US SPR and QFP; (2) describing current attitudes and practices among family planning providers and clinics related to recommendations included in the US MEC, US SPR, and QFP and assessing changes from previous data collections; and (3) identifying training needs in use of guidance and family planning service delivery (*e.g.*, provider tools, continuing education modules).

As in previous phases of data collection, CDC plans to administer

surveys to private and public sector family planning providers and clinic administrators in the United States. The design, methodology, and analytic approach that CDC plans to implement are based on methods previously approved for the 2013–2014 survey, with different instruments being administered to providers and clinic administrators. Minor changes to survey content will be made to eliminate unnecessary questions, add new questions of interest, and improve

formatting, usability, and data quality. OMB approval is requested for one year. The estimated burden per response for providers is 15 minutes and has not changed since the previous OMB approval. The estimated burden per response for administrators will be reduced from 40 minutes to 35 minutes. The total burden for participants is estimated at 1,916 hours. Participation is voluntary and there are no costs to respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Office-based physicians (private sector).	2018–2019 Survey of Health Care Providers about Family Planning Attitudes and Practices.	1,000	1	15/60	250
Title X clinic providers (public sector)	2018–2019 Survey of Health Care Providers about Family Planning Attitudes and Practices.	1,000	1	15/60	250
Non-Title X publicly funded clinic providers (public sector).	2018–2019 Survey of Health Care Providers about Family Planning Attitudes and Practices.	1,000	1	15/60	250
Title X clinic administrators (public sector).	2018–2019 Survey of Administrators of Health Centers that Provide Family Planning.	1,000	1	35/60	583
Non-Title X publicly funded clinic administrators (public sector).	2018–2019 Survey of Administrators of Health Centers that Provide Family Planning.	1,000	1	35/60	583
Total	1,916

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice with comment period.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the

general public and other Federal agencies the opportunity to comment on a proposed and/or continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on a proposed information collection project titled Undetermined cause of *Serratia marcescens* infections—Multiple States, 2018. The goal of this investigation is to identify potential risk factors leading to an outbreak of *Serratia marcescens* infections among U.S. healthcare patients. Data will be used to identify a cause of the infections and prevent additional events from occurring.

DATES: CDC must receive written comments on or before August 7, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC–2018–0042 by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov). Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS–D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and

Docket Number. CDC will post, without change, all relevant comments to [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov).

Please note: Submit all comments through the Federal eRulemaking portal ([regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov)) or by U.S. mail to the address listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, contact Leroy A. Richardson, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS–D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; phone: 404–639–7570; Email: omb@cdc.gov.

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. In addition, the PRA also requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each new proposed collection, each proposed

extension of existing collection of information, and each reinstatement of previously approved information collection before submitting the collection to the OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, we are publishing this notice of a proposed data collection as described below.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments that will help:

1. 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;
2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. 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 submissions of responses.

5. Assess information collection costs.

Proposed Project

Undetermined cause of *Serratia marcescens* infections—Multiple States, 2018—New—National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

Serratia marcescens is a Gram-negative bacillus that can be found in the environment and thrives in moist environments. In healthcare settings, it can be found on the hands of healthcare workers and as a contaminant of medical products and devices, particularly aqueous products. It is a known cause of healthcare-associated infections, particularly urinary tract infection, wound infections, and bloodstream infections, and it is an important opportunistic pathogen in

neonatal and pediatric intensive care units. *Serratia marcescens* has been implicated previously in multistate outbreaks of bloodstream infections caused by intrinsic contamination of prefilled syringes of heparin and isotonic sodium chloride solution.

On March 27, 2018, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) notified CDC of 4 cases of *Serratia marcescens* bacteremia among pediatric patients with central lines in an acute care hospital between January 20 and March 23, 2018. This cluster of cases was above the normal baseline of 1–3 cases per year at that facility. The facility examined exposures including common staff and medications and identified commonalities related to the maintenance and care of central lines as well as several medical products including prefilled normal saline syringes and prefilled heparin flushes.

On March 28, CDPHE issued a call for cases to other state and local health departments through the Epidemic Information Exchange (Epi-X) system. On March 29, the Tennessee Department of Health (TDH) notified CDC of 3 cases of *Serratia marcescens* bacteremia in pediatric patients with central lines in a pediatric hospital between March 6 and March 21, 2018; initial examination of medications and common products identified central venous catheter line products as a possible source of infections, including prefilled heparin and normal saline syringes.

CDC is currently conducting a multistate investigation to support state health departments. Currently, eight state health departments have reported a total of 26 cases to CDC. However, since more than nine states are ultimately expected to participate, CDC is pursuing emergency OMB clearance to collect patient-level information from ten or more state/local health departments.

Most identified patient infections are bloodstream infections, but other body sites (e.g., respiratory) have also been described. Because these events could be linked to a healthcare product (e.g.,

medical device or pharmaceutical product) with widespread distribution, broad case-finding efforts are needed. Early investigations identified prefilled normal saline syringes and prefilled heparin flushes as common exposures, however healthcare facility records often provide an inadequate basis for identifying the specific product or lot number that was administered to a particular patient, and only facility-level information is available. The products identified in common at this stage of the investigation are widespread in healthcare facilities across the United States and incorrect identification as the source of infections could reasonably be anticipated to create panic in regards to use of these products and limitations in the safe care delivered to thousands of patients.

Communications with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and product manufacturers indicate a nation-wide shortage of saline following disruption of manufacturing in Puerto Rico during Hurricane Maria in September 2017. FDA has stated that saline shortages in the U.S. mean that alternatives to prefilled saline are limited. In addition, the products are manufactured and subject to Current Good Manufacturing Practice regulations including terminal sterilization of many products using steam sterilization, which reduce opportunities for contamination.

This information is essential to the CDC's ability to identify a cause of these events and prevent additional events from occurring.

Nationwide case-finding has been implemented through the Epi-X system. The target audience of the case finding will include, but not be limited to, state and local health departments. They will be asked to report any potential cases to CDC. Information on each case will be collected using a data collection form that can be completed online or filled out and returned to CDC. Depending on the nature of each case, CDC may reach out to relevant healthcare facilities or healthcare staff for additional information and recommendation of any prevention measures.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hrs)	Total burden (in hrs)
Healthcare staff	Case finding for data collection	25	2	25/50	100
Total	100

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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 Assessment of Occupational Injury among Fire Fighters Using a Follow-back Survey 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 February 13, 2018 to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. CDC received one comment 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

(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. 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

Assessment of Occupational Injury among Fire Fighters Using a Follow-back Survey—New—National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

Studies have reported that fire fighters have high rates of non-fatal injuries and illnesses as compared to the general worker population. As fire fighters undertake many critical public safety activities and are tasked with protecting the safety and health of the public, it follows that understanding and preventing injuries and exposures among fire fighters will have a benefit reaching beyond the workers to the general public.

As mandated in the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91-596), the mission of NIOSH is to conduct research and investigations on occupational safety and health. Related to this mission, the purpose of this project is to conduct research that will provide a detailed description of non-fatal occupational injuries and exposures incurred by fire fighters. This information will offer detailed insight into events that lead to the largest number of nonfatal injuries and exposures among fire fighters. The project will use two related data sources. The first source is data abstracted from medical records of fire fighters treated in a nationally stratified sample of emergency departments. These data are routinely collected through the occupational supplement to the National Electronic Injury Surveillance System (NEISS-Work). The second data source, for which NIOSH is seeking OMB approval for three years, is responses to telephone interview

surveys of the injured and exposed fire fighters identified within NEISS-Work.

The proposed telephone interview surveys will supplement NEISS-Work data with an extensive description of fire fighter injuries and exposures, including worker characteristics, injury types, injury circumstances, injury outcomes, and use of personal protective equipment. Previous reports describing occupational injuries and exposures to fire fighters provide limited details on specific regions or sub-segments of the population. As compared to these earlier studies, the scope of the telephone interview data will be broader as it includes sampled cases nationwide and has no limitations in regards to type of employment (*i.e.*, volunteer versus career). Results from the telephone interviews will be weighted and reported as national estimates.

The sample size for the telephone interview survey is estimated to be approximately 240 fire fighters annually for the proposed three year duration of the study. This is based on the number of fire fighters identified in previous years of NEISS-Work data and a 30 to 40% response rate that is comparable to the rate of previously conducted National Electronic Injury Surveillance System telephone interview studies. Each telephone interview will take approximately 30 minutes to complete, resulting in an annualized burden estimate of 120 hours. Using the routine NEISS-Work data, an analysis of all identified EMS workers will be performed to determine if there are differences between the telephone interview responder and non-responder groups.

The Division of Safety Research (DSR) within NIOSH is conducting this project. DSR has a strong interest in improving surveillance of fire fighter injuries and exposures to provide the information necessary for effectively targeting and implementing prevention efforts and, consequently, reducing occupational injuries and exposures to fire fighters. The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) will also contribute to this project, as they are responsible for coordinating the collection of all NEISS-Work data and for overseeing the collection of all telephone interview data. The estimated annual Burden Hours are 120. There is no cost to respondents other than their time.