

Documentation (EID) (OMB No. 0915–0324) Revision.

HRSA is requesting extension of the approval for the Environmental Information and Documentation (EID) checklist which consists of information that the agency is required to obtain to

comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). NEPA establishes the federal government's national policy for protection of the environment. HRSA has developed the EID for applicants of funding that would potentially impact

the environment and to ensure that their decision-making processes are consistent with NEPA. Applicants must provide information and assurance of compliance with NEPA on the EID checklist. The estimated annual burden is as follows:

Instrument	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Total responses	Hours per response	Total burden hours
NEPA EID Checklist .....	2,734	1	2,734	1	2,734
Total .....	2,734	1	2,734	1	2,734

Email comments to [paperwork@hrsa.gov](mailto:paperwork@hrsa.gov) or mail the HRSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 10–29, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: October 2, 2012.

**Bahar Niakan,**

Director, Division of Policy and Information Coordination.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Request for Comments Under the Paperwork Reduction Act, Section 3506

**AGENCY:** National Institutes of Health (NIH), HHS.

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The National Institutes of Health (NIH), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Section 3506.

**Proposed Collection:** Title: National Institutes of Health Information Collection Forms to Support Genomic Data Sharing for Research Purposes; Type of Information Collection Request: New; Need and Use of Information Collection: The NIH mission is to seek fundamental knowledge about the nature and behavior of living systems and the application of that knowledge to

enhance health, lengthen life, and reduce the burdens of illness and disability. The sharing of research data supports this mission and is essential to facilitate the translation of research results into knowledge, products, practices, and procedures that improve human health.

By enabling secondary research questions to be addressed, data sharing maximizes the public benefit achieved through research investments. NIH's *Policy for Sharing of Data Obtained in NIH Supported or Conducted Genome-Wide Association Studies (GWAS)* was established to enable the full value of GWAS data to be realized. GWAS data are maintained in a central data repository, the database of Genotypes and Phenotypes (dbGaP), which is administered by the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI), part of the National Library of Medicine at NIH.

As stipulated in the NIH GWAS policy, all principal investigators (PIs) who receive NIH funding to conduct genomic research are expected to register studies with genomic data in dbGaP. The nature of the genomic, phenotypic, and other associated data generated through large-scale human genomic studies requires responsible stewardship throughout research and data sharing activities. Since the data being collected and shared are from human research participants, the protection of participant interests is paramount. PIs submitting data to dbGaP must describe any limitations on sharing the data, as defined in the informed consent provided by the participants from whom the data were originally collected. PIs must also provide basic study information such as the type of data that will be submitted to dbGaP and a description of the study.

Researchers interested in using dbGaP data for secondary research must submit a request through dbGaP and be granted permission from the relevant NIH Data Access Committees to access the data. As part of the request process, researchers must provide information such as a description of the proposed research use of the dbGaP datasets, a data security plan, and a Data Use Certification, in which the researcher agrees to the terms and conditions for use of the data. NIH has developed online forms, which will be available through dbGaP, in an effort to reduce the burden for researchers to complete the study registration, data submission, and data access processes.

**Frequency of Response:** As necessary.

**Description of Respondents:** PIs and senior officials from their institutions.

**Estimate of Burden:** The burden associated with this information collection is calculated in two parts: (1) The burden associated with registering genomic studies and submitting data to dbGaP and (2) the burden associated with applying for genomic data in dbGaP. The annual reporting burden for study registration and data submission is as follows: *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 100; *Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 1; and *Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested:* 63. The annual cost to respondents is estimated at \$2,506. The annual reporting burden for applying for genomic data in dbGaP is as follows: *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,266; *Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 2; and *Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested:* 1,583. The annual cost to respondents is estimated at \$63,452. There are no capital, operating, or maintenance costs to the respondents.

Type of respondent	Estimated number of respondents	Estimated number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Estimated total annual burden hours
<b>Study Registration and Data Submission</b>				
PI .....	50	1	45/60	38
Senior Official .....	50	1	30/60	25
Total .....	100	.....	.....	63
<b>Data Access Request</b>				
PI .....	633	2	45/60	950
Senior Official .....	633	2	30/60	633
Total .....	1,266	.....	.....	1,583

*Request For Comments:* Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following points: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function 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 the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request additional information on the proposed information collection, contact: Sarah Carr, Acting Director, Office of Clinical Research and Bioethics Policy, Office of Science Policy, NIH, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20892; telephone 301-496-9838; fax 301-496-9839; or email [GWAS@mail.nih.gov](mailto:GWAS@mail.nih.gov), Attention: Ms. Carr.

*Comment Due Date:* Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 60 days of the date of this publication. Comments should be directed to Ms. Carr through the contact information above.

Dated: September 28, 2012.

**Sarah Carr,**

*Acting Director, Office of Clinical Research and Bioethics Policy, Office of Science Policy, NIH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meeting. The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; NIAID Resource Related Research Projects for AIDS, Allergy, Immunology & Transplantation.

*Date:* October 25, 2012.

*Time:* 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20817.

*Contact Person:* Dharmendar Rathore, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Rm. 3134, Bethesda, MD 20892-7616, 301-435-2766, [rathored@mail.nih.gov](mailto:rathored@mail.nih.gov).

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.855, Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research; 93.856, Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: October 1, 2012.

**David Clary,**

*Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings

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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Member Conflicts: Immunologic Mechanisms.

*Date:* October 17, 2012.

*Time:* 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Virtual Meeting).

*Contact Person:* Stephen M. Nigida, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4212, MSC 7812, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1222, [nigidas@csr.nih.gov](mailto:nigidas@csr.nih.gov).

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.