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Proposed Project

Report of Verified Case of Tuberculosis (RVCT), (OMB No.0920-0026) exp. 05/31/2014 - Extension - National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHHSTP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

In the United States, an estimated 10 to 15 million people are infected with *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* and about 10% of

these persons will develop tuberculosis (TB) disease at some point in their lives. The purpose of this project is to continue ongoing national tuberculosis surveillance using the standardized Report of Verified Case of Tuberculosis (RVCT). Data collected using the RVCT help state and federal infectious disease officials to assess changes in the diagnosis and treatment of TB, monitor trends in TB epidemiology and outbreaks, and develop strategies to meet the national goal of TB elimination.

CDC conducts and maintains the national TB surveillance system (NTSS) pursuant to the provisions of Section 301 (a) of the Public Service Act [42 U.S.C. 241] and Section 306 of the Public Service Act [42 U.S.C. 241 (a)]. NTSS has been maintained by the U.S. Public Health Service and CDC through the cooperation of the states since 1953. Data are collected by 60 reporting areas (the 50 states, the District of Columbia, New York City, Puerto Rico, and 7 jurisdictions in the Pacific and Caribbean).

CDC publishes an annual report using RVCT data to summarize national TB statistics and also periodically conducts special analyses for publication to further describe and interpret national TB data. These data assist in public health planning, evaluation, and resource allocation. Reporting areas also review and analyze their RVCT data to monitor local TB

trends, evaluate program success, and focus resources to eliminate TB. No other Federal agency collects this type of national TB data.

The total estimated burden hours are approximately 5,810 burden hours, an estimated decrease of 919 hours from 2011. This decrease is due to having fewer TB cases in the United States as we continue progress towards TB elimination. There is no cost to respondents except for their time.

Estimate of Annualized Burden Hours

Types of Respondents	No. of Respondents	No. of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden per Response (in hours)
Local, state, and territorial health departments	60	166	35/60

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