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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The notice for the proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address any of the following: (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](mailto:omb@cdc.gov). Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice should be directed to the Attention: CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395-5806. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

#### Proposed Project

Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery (OMB No. 0920-0919, expires 01/31/2015) - Revision - National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

## Background and Brief Description

As part of a Federal Government-wide effort to streamline the process to seek feedback from the public on service delivery, the CDC has submitted a Generic Information Collection Request (Generic ICR): "Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery " to OMB for approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 et. seq.).

To request additional information, please contact LeRoy A. Richardson, Reports Clearance Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D74, Atlanta, GA 30333 or send an email to [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov).

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery

*Abstract:* The information collection activity will garner qualitative customer and stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with the Administration's commitment to improving service delivery. By qualitative feedback we mean information that provides useful insights on perceptions and opinions, but are not statistical surveys that yield quantitative results that can be generalized to the

population of study. This feedback will provide insights into customer or stakeholder perceptions, experiences and expectations, provide an early warning of issues with service, or focus attention on areas where communication, training or changes in operations might improve delivery of products or services. These collections will allow for ongoing, collaborative and actionable communications between the Agency and its customers and stakeholders. It will also allow feedback to contribute directly to the improvement of program management.

Feedback collected under this generic clearance will provide useful information, but it will not yield data that can be generalized to the overall population. This type of generic clearance for qualitative information will not be used for quantitative information collections that are designed to yield reliably actionable results, such as monitoring trends over time or documenting program performance. Such data uses require more rigorous designs that address: the target population to which generalizations will be made, the sampling frame, the sample design (including stratification and clustering), the precision requirements or power calculations that justify the proposed sample size, the expected response rate, methods for assessing potential non-response bias, the protocols for data collection, and any testing procedures that were or will be undertaken prior

fielding the study. Depending on the degree of influence the results are likely to have, such collections may still be eligible for submission for other generic mechanisms that are designed to yield quantitative results.

This is a revision to a previously approved collection of information. Respondents will be screened and selected from Individuals and Households, Businesses Organizations, and/or State, Local or Tribal Government. A total of 12 individual data collections were approved under our originally approved generic information collection (OMB # 0920-0919, expiration 01/31/2015). Data collection activities were equally divided between focus groups and online surveys and were conducted to test and refine NCBDDD messages and materials regarding alcohol use during pregnancy, autism spectrum disorder, folic acid, Deep Vein Thrombosis/Pulmonary Embolism (DVT/PE), and preconception health. A customer service survey was also conducted using this mechanism.

We expect to conduct 12 individual data collections (four each year) over the next three years in order to continue testing and refining our public health messages aimed at targeted groups by using a variety of instruments and platforms. Based on the number of burden hours actually used during the initial approval period and the number of respondents involved,

we request a reduction in the number of respondents and burden hours.

Below we provide CDC's projected annualized estimate for the next three years. There is no cost to respondents other than their time. The estimated annualized burden hours for this data collection activity are 3,625.

Estimated Annualized Burden Hours

Type of Respondent	Form Name	No. of Respondents	Annual Frequency per Response	Hours per Response
General Public/Public Health Practitioners/Delivery Partners and Stakeholders	Online surveys	2,500	1	30/60
General Public/Public Health Practitioners/Delivery Partners and Stakeholders	Paper surveys	750	1	30/60
General Public/Public Health Practitioners/Delivery Partners and Stakeholders	Focus groups	1,000	1	2

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