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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

TITLE: National Survey of Child and Adolescent Well-Being-
Third Cohort (NSCAW III): Agency Recruitment

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DESCRIPTION: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) intends to collect data on a third cohort of children and families for the National Survey of Child and Adolescent Well-Being (NSCAW). NSCAW is the only source of nationally representative, longitudinal, firsthand information about the functioning and well-being, service needs, and service utilization of children and families who come to the attention of the child welfare system. The first two cohorts of NSCAW were collected beginning in 1999 and 2008 and studied children who had been the subject of investigation by Child Protective Services. Children were sampled from child welfare agencies nationwide. The proposed data collection plan for the third cohort of NSCAW includes two phases: Phase 1 includes child welfare

agency recruitment and collection of files for sampling children, and Phase 2 includes baseline data collection and an 18-month follow-up data collection. The current data collection plan calls for selecting a new cohort of 4,565 children and families and repeating similar data collection procedures as the previous two cohorts. This Notice is specific to Phase 1. The overall goal is to recruit child welfare agencies in 83 primary sampling units nationwide. Child welfare agencies will be selected with probability proportional to size, based on the current distributions in the child welfare system. Child welfare agency recruitment will include: mail, email, phone calls, and site visits with child welfare agency administrators.

RESPONDENTS: Child welfare agency administrators and other personnel. Data collection will take place over a 2-year period.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total Number of Respondents	Annual Number of Respondents	Number of Responses Per Respondent	Average Burden Hours Per Response	Annual Burden Hours
Information package for agency administrators	114	57	1	0.25	14
Initial call with agency staff	114	57	1	1	57
In-person visit with agency staff	20	10	1	1	10

Visit or call with agency staff explaining the sample file process	83	42	1	2	84
Agency staff monthly sample file generation and transmission	83	42	15	1	630

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 795

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 330 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20201, Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. E-mail address: OPREinfocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

OMB COMMENT: OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the Federal Register. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following:

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