Dated: February 10, 2003.

Robert Sargis,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration [Docket No. 03N-0034]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; FDA Safety Alert/ Public Health Advisory Readership Survey

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing information collection, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information collection requirements for the FDA Safety Alert/Public Health Advisory Readership Survey.

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by April 21, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/oc/dockets/edockethome.cfm. Submit written comments on the collection of information to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. All comments should be identified with the

docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Peggy Robbins, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA–250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the 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. "Collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information. including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, FDA is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information listed below.

With respect to the following collection of information. FDA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FDA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FDA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology

FDA Safety Alert/Public Health Advisory Readership Survey (OMB Control No. 0910-0341)—Extension

Section 705(b) (21 U.S.C. 375(b)) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) authorizes FDA to disseminate information concerning imminent danger to public health by any regulated product. The Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) communicates these risks to user communities through two publications: (1) The FDA Safety Alert and (2) the Public Health Advisory. Safety alerts and advisories are sent to organizations such as hospitals, nursing homes, hospices, home health care agencies, manufacturers, retail pharmacies, and other health care providers. Subjects of previous alerts included spontaneous combustion risks in large quantities of patient examination gloves, hazards associated with the use of electric heating pads, and retinal photic injuries from operating microscopes during cataract surgery.

Section 1701(a)(4) (42 U.S.C. 300u(a)(4) of the Public Health Service Act authorizes FDA to conduct research relating to health information. FDA seeks to evaluate the clarity, timeliness, and impact of safety alerts and public health advisories by surveying a sample of recipients. Subjects will receive a questionnaire to be completed and returned to FDA. The information to be collected will address how clearly actions for reducing risk are explained, the timeliness of the information, and whether the reader has taken any action to eliminate or reduce risk as a result of information in the alert. Subjects will also be asked whether they wish to receive future alerts electronically, as well as how the safety alert program might be improved.

The information collected will be used to shape FDA's editorial policy for the safety alerts and public health advisories. Understanding how target audiences view these publications will aid in deciding what changes should be considered in their content, format, and method of dissemination.

FDA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN¹

No. of Respondents	Annual Frequency per Response	Total Annual Responses	Hours per Response	Total Hours
308	3	924	.17	157

¹ There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.

Based on the history of the safety alert and public health advisory program, it is estimated that an average of three collections will be conducted a year. The total burden of response time is estimated at 10 minutes per survey. This was derived by CDRH staff completing the survey and through discussions with the contacts in trade organizations. Dated: February 10, 2003.

Margaret M. Dotzel,

Assistant Commissioner for Policy. [FR Doc. 03–3816 Filed 2–14–03; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 02N-0280]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Announcement of OMB Approval; Filing Objections and Requests for a Hearing on a Regulation or Order

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration,

HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a collection of information entitled "Filing Objections and Requests for a Hearing on a Regulation or Order" has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

JonnaLynn P. Capezzuto, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA–250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–4659.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the Federal Register of November 29, 2002 (67 FR 71178), the agency announced that the proposed information collection had been submitted to OMB for review and clearance under 44 U.S.C. 3507. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has now approved the information collection and has assigned

OMB control number 0910–0184. The approval expires on February 28, 2006. A copy of the supporting statement for this information collection is available on the Internet at http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets.

Dated: February 10, 2003.

Margaret M. Dotzel,

Assistant Commissioner for Policy.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

National Advisory Council on the National Health Service Corps; Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–63), notice is hereby given of the following Federal advisory committee meeting. The meeting will be open to the public.

Name: National Advisory Council on the National Health Service Corps.

Date and Time: March 27, 2003, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.; March 28, 2003, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.; March 29, 2003, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; March 30, 2003, 8 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

Place: Churchill Hotel, 1914 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20009, (202) 797–2000.

Agenda: The agenda will focus on meeting with Agency management to determine the desired areas of recommendations for the Council to address in the upcoming year. The Council will also review the new NHSC Legislation to discuss possible areas of recommendations. Agenda items and times are subject to change as priorities dictate.

For Further Information Contact: Tira Robinson, Division of National Health Service Corps, Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration, Parklawn Building, Room 8A–55, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857, telephone (301) 594–4140.

Dated: February 11, 2003.

Jane M. Harrison,

Director, Division of Policy Review and Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Fiscal Year (FY) 2003 Funding Opportunities

AGENCY: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, HHS. **ACTION:** Notice of funding availability for CSAT Practice Improvement Collaborative Cooperative Agreements: Strengthening Treatment Access and Retention (Short Title: Strengthening Access and Retention (SAR)).

SUMMARY: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) announces the availability of FY 2003 funds for grants for the following activity. This notice is not a complete description of the activity; potential applicants must obtain a copy of the Request for Applications (RFA), including Part I, CSAT Practice Improvement Collaborative Cooperative Agreements: Strengthening Treatment Access and Retention (TI 03-006) (Short Title: Strengthening Access and Retention (SAR)), and Part II, General Policies and Procedures Applicable to all SAMHSA Applications for Discretionary Grants and Cooperative Agreements, before preparing and submitting an application.

Activity	Application deadline	Est. Funds FY 2003	Est. No. of awards	Project period
CSAT Practice Improvement. Collaborative Cooperative. Agreements: Strengthening.				
Treatment Access and Retention	. May 12, 2003	\$2.5 million	12–14	3 years

The actual amount available for the award may vary depending on unanticipated program requirements and actual SAMHSA appropriations. This program is being announced prior to the annual appropriation for FY 2003 for SAMHSA's programs. Applications are invited based on the assumption that sufficient funds will be appropriated for FY 2003 to permit funding of State

Training and Evaluation of Evidence-Based Practices grants. This program is being announced in order to allow applicants sufficient time to plan and prepare applications. Solicitation of applications in advance of a final appropriation will also enable the award of appropriated grant funds in an expeditious manner and thus allow prompt implementation and evaluation

of promising practices. All applicants are reminded, however, that we cannot guarantee sufficient funds will be appropriated to permit SAMHSA to fund the grants. This program is authorized under Section 509 of the Public Health Service Act. SAMHSA's policies and procedures for peer review and Advisory Council review of grant and cooperative agreement applications