

and implementation of its 2003 *Guidelines for Infection Control in Dental Health Care Settings*. These *Guidelines* took an evidence-based approach to recommending infection control procedures, coalescing existing guidelines developed over the past decade with new infection control measure recommendations supported by research.

In releasing the *Guidelines* just over two years ago, the CDC mailed more than 400,000 copies to practicing dentists, hygienists, dental schools and educators, and health science libraries. CDC also prepared a summary of the *Guidelines* that was published in the *Journal of the American Dental Association* (JADA) in early 2004. At this time, it is critical to the Dental Unit's dissemination plan to mount an

evaluation of the effectiveness of CDC's activities in moving the behavior of practicing dentists in the direction of increased adoption and implementation of recommendations put forth in the *Guidelines*.

CDC has contracted with the Research Triangle Institute (RTI) and its subcontractor, the American Dental Association (ADA), to design and conduct the first phase of such an evaluation. This phase includes conducting a mail survey to a probability sample of 6,500 dentists actively engaged in the private practice of clinical dentistry in the United States. The sample will be selected from the ADA's dentist Master file, the nation's most up-to-date and complete listing of U.S. dentists. The Master file is associated with extensive descriptive

information on U.S. dentists based on returns to other ADA survey and updating activities. Included in the master file is information that will allow the sample to: Be selected with equal precision from the U.S. Census Divisions; include over-representation of selected specialties, i.e., oral surgery and periodontics; identify dentists in private practice; and weight the sample according to selected demographic and professional characteristics so the results can accurately reflect all active private practice dentists in the U.S. We expect to achieve a response rate of at least 70 percent, which will yield 4,550 completed questionnaires.

There are no costs to respondents other than their time to participate in the survey.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE

Form	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hrs.)	Total burden (in hours)
Dental Survey .....	4550	1	15/60	1138
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	1138

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

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**Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations**

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call 404-639-5960 and send comments to Seleda Perryman, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D74, Atlanta, GA 30333 or send an e-mail to [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov).

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

**Proposed Project**

Performance Evaluation Program for Rapid HIV Testing (0920-0595)—Revision—National Center for Health Marketing (NCHM), Coordinating Center for Health Information and Service (CoCHIS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

*Background and Brief Description*

To support our mission of improving public health and preventing disease through continuously improving laboratory practices, the Model Performance Evaluation Program (MPEP), Division of Laboratory Systems, Coordinating Center for Health

Information and Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention intends to continue the currently ongoing HIV rapid testing performance evaluation program (HIV Rapid Testing MPEP). This program offers external performance evaluation (PE) for rapid tests such as the OraQuick® Rapid HIV-1 Antibody Test, approved as a waived test by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, and for other licensed tests such as the MedMira Reveal®. Participation in PE programs is expected to lead to improved HIV testing performance because participants have the opportunity to identify areas for improvement in testing practices. This program helps to ensure accurate testing as a basis for development of HIV prevention and intervention strategies.

This external quality assessment program is made available at no cost (for receipt of sample panels) to sites performing rapid testing for HIV antibodies. This program offers laboratories/testing sites an opportunity for:

- (1) Assuring that the laboratories/testing sites are providing accurate tests through external quality assessment;
- (2) Improving testing quality through self-evaluation in a nonregulatory environment;
- (3) Testing well characterized samples from a source outside the test kit manufacturer;

(4) Discovering potential testing problems so that laboratories/testing sites can adjust procedures to eliminate them;

(5) Comparing individual laboratory/testing site results to others at a national and international level, and

(6) Consulting with CDC staff to discuss testing issues.

Participants in the MPEP HIV Rapid Testing program are required to complete a laboratory practices questionnaire survey annually. This questionnaire has a number of changes

from the last OMB submission. In addition, participants are required to submit results twice/year after testing mailed performance evaluation samples. There is no cost to the respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Form	Number of respondents	Frequency of responses	Average burden per response	Total burden hours
HIV Rapid Testing Questionnaire .....	750	1	20/60	250
HIV Rapid Testing Results Booklet .....	750	2	10/60	250
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	500

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

**Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panels (SEP): Development and Testing of New Medications for the Treatment of Emerging Infectious Diseases, Request for Applications (RFA) Number CI06-006**

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting:

*Name:* Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel (SEP): Development and Testing of New Medications for the Treatment of Emerging Infectious Diseases, RFA Number CI06-006.

*Time and Date:* 12 p.m.-4 p.m., April 25, 2006 (Closed).

*Place:* Teleconference.

*Status:* The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 552b(c)(4) and (6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, CDC, pursuant to Public Law 92-463.

*Matters to be Discussed:* The meeting will include the review, discussion, and evaluation of applications received in response to: Development and Testing of New Medications for the Treatment of Emerging Infectious Diseases, RFA Number CI06-006.

*For Further Information Contact:* Christine Morrison, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Office of Public Health Research, Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop D-72, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone 404-639-3098.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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**Alvin Hall,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services**

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**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to

be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

The notices is being published based on the settlement agreement in *Weichardt v. Thompson (Weichardt)*. Publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** will occur simultaneously with publication of the proposed regulation CMS-4105-P, that is also based on the *Weichardt v. Thompson (Weichardt)* agreement.

**1. Type of Information Collection Request: New Collection.**

*Title of Information Collection:* Medicare and Medicare Advantage Programs; Notification Procedures for Hospital Discharges—Generic Notice of Hospital Non-Coverage—Detailed Explanation of Hospital Non-Coverage.

*Use:* Under 42 CFR 405.1205, 405.1206, 422.620, and 422.622, hospitals and Medicare Advantage plans must deliver to beneficiaries and enrollees who are receiving inpatient hospital services, advance notice of discharge on the day before discharge. If the beneficiary chooses to dispute the discharge, the beneficiary is entitled to an expedited determination by a Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) about whether the provider's coverage decision is correct. Upon request for an expedited review of the discharge decision, hospitals and Medicare Advantage plans must deliver detailed notices to the QIO and beneficiaries/enrollees.

*Form Number:* CMS-10066 (OMB#: 0938-New).

*Frequency:* Other: Distribution.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households, Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions and Federal, State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Number of Respondents:* 6057.

*Total Annual Responses:* 12,750,000.

*Total Annual Hours:* 1,461,498.