

person listed below by close of business, April 12, 2004. All requests to make oral comments should contain the name, address, telephone number, and organizational affiliation of the presenter. Written comments should not exceed five single-spaced typed pages in length and should be received by the contact person listed below by close of business, April 12, 2004.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

*For Further Information Contact:*

Linda Blankenbaker, Executive Secretary, NCHS, Office of the Director, 3311 Toledo Road, Room 7204, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone (301) 458-4500, fax (301) 458-4020.

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.

Dated: March 11, 2004.

**Alvin Hall,**

*Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**State Median Income Estimate for a Four-Person Family (FFY 2005); Notice of the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2005 State Median Income Estimates for Use Under the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Administered by the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Community Services, Division of Energy Assistance**

**AGENCY:** Office of Community Services, ACF, DHHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of estimated State median income estimates for FFY 2005.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the estimated median income for four-person families in each State and the District of Columbia for FFY 2005 (October 1, 2004 to September 30, 2005). LIHEAP grantees may adopt the State median income estimates beginning with the date of this publication of the estimates in the **Federal Register** or at a later date as discussed below. This means that LIHEAP grantees could choose to implement this notice during the period between the heating and cooling seasons. However, by October 1, 2004, or by the beginning of a grantee's fiscal year, whichever is later, LIHEAP grantees using State median income estimates must adjust their income eligibility criteria to be in accord with the FFY 2005 State median income estimates.

This listing of estimated State median incomes provides one of the maximum income criteria that LIHEAP grantees may use in determining a household's income eligibility for LIHEAP.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The estimates are effective at any time between the date of this publication and October 1, 2004, or by the beginning of a LIHEAP grantee's fiscal year, whichever is later.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Leon Litow, Administration for Children and Families, DHHS, Office of Community Services, Division of Energy Assistance, 5th Floor West, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Telephone: (202) 401-5304, E-Mail: [llitow@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:llitow@acf.hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the provisions of section 2603(7) of Title XXVI of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 (Pub. L. 97-35, as amended), we are announcing the estimated median income of a four-person family for each State, the District of Columbia, and the United States for FFY 2005 (the period of October 1, 2004, through September 30, 2005).

Section 2605(b)(2)(B)(ii) of the LIHEAP statute provides that 60 percent

of the median income for each State, as annually established by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, is one of the income criteria that LIHEAP grantees may use in determining a household's eligibility for LIHEAP.

LIHEAP is currently authorized through the end of FFY 2005 by the Coats Human Services Reauthorization Act of 1998, Pub. L. 105-285, which was enacted on October 27, 1998.

Estimates of the median income of a four-person family for each State and the District of Columbia for FFY 2005 have been developed by the Census Bureau of the U.S. Department of Commerce, using the most recently available income data. In developing the median income estimates for FFY 2005, the Census Bureau used the following three sources of data: (1) The Current Population Survey's 2003 Annual Social and Economic Supplement File; (2) the 2000 Decennial Census of Population; and (3) 2002 per capita personal income estimates, by State, from the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

For further information on the estimating method and data sources, contact the Housing and Household Economic Statistics Division, at the Census Bureau (301-763-3243).

A State-by-State listing of median income, and 60 percent of median income, for a four-person family for FFY 2005 follows. The listing describes the method for adjusting median income for families of different sizes as specified in regulations applicable to LIHEAP, at 45 CFR 96.85(b), which was published in the **Federal Register** on March 3, 1988 at 53 FR 6824.

Dated: March 11, 2004.

**Clarence H. Carter,**

*Director, Office of Community Services.*

States	Estimated state median income for a four-person family <sup>2</sup>	60 percent of estimated State median income for a four person family
Alabama .....	\$53,754	\$32,252
Alaska .....	69,868	41,921
Arizona .....	56,857	34,114
Arkansas .....	49,551	29,731
California .....	65,766	39,460
Colorado .....	68,089	40,853
Connecticut .....	81,891	49,135
Delaware .....	69,469	41,681
Dist. of Col. ....	55,692	33,415

States	Estimated state median income for a four-person family <sup>2</sup>	60 percent of estimated State median income for a four person family
Florida .....	57,473	34,484
Georgia .....	60,676	36,406
Hawaii .....	67,564	40,538
Idaho .....	54,279	32,567
Illinois .....	69,168	41,501
Indiana .....	63,022	37,813
Iowa .....	61,238	36,743
Kansas .....	61,926	37,156
Kentucky .....	54,030	32,418
Louisiana .....	52,299	31,379
Maine .....	58,802	35,281
Maryland .....	77,938	46,763
Massachusetts .....	78,312	46,987
Michigan .....	67,995	40,797
Minnesota .....	72,379	43,427
Mississippi .....	47,847	28,708
Missouri .....	59,764	35,858
Montana .....	51,791	31,075
Nebraska .....	60,129	36,077
Nevada .....	59,588	35,753
New Hampshire .....	72,369	43,421
New Jersey .....	82,406	49,444
New Mexico .....	48,422	29,053
New York .....	65,461	39,277
North Carolina .....	58,227	34,936
North Dakota .....	57,070	34,242
Ohio .....	63,934	38,360
Oklahoma .....	51,377	30,826
Oregon .....	60,262	36,157
Pennsylvania .....	64,310	38,586
Rhode Island .....	67,646	40,588
South Carolina .....	56,110	33,666
South Dakota .....	55,359	33,215
Tennessee .....	55,605	33,363
Texas .....	56,278	33,767
Utah .....	59,864	35,918
Vermont .....	62,331	37,399
Virginia .....	66,889	40,133
Washington .....	66,531	39,919
West Virginia .....	47,550	28,530
Wisconsin .....	66,988	40,193
Wyoming .....	57,148	34,289

NOTE—FFY 2005 covers the period of October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005. The estimated median income for a four-person family living in the United States is \$62,732 for FFY 2005. The estimates are effective for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) at any time between the date of this publication and October 1, 2004, or by the beginning of a LIHEAP grantee's fiscal year, whichever is later.

<sup>1</sup> In Accordance with 45 CFR 96.85, each State's estimated median income for a four-person family is multiplied by the following percentages to adjust for family size: 52 percent for one person, 68 percent for two persons, 84 percent for three persons, 100 percent for four persons, 116 percent for five persons, and 132 percent for six persons. For each additional family member above six persons, add 3 percent to the percentage for a six-person family (132 percent), and multiply the new percentage by the State's estimated median income for a four-person family.

<sup>2</sup> Prepared by The Census Bureau from the Current Population Survey's 2003 Annual Social and Economic Supplement File, 2000 Decennial Census of Population and Housing, and 2002 per capita personal income estimates, by State, from the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA). For further information, contact the Housing and Household Economic Statistics Division at the Census Bureau (301-763-3243).

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Food and Drug Administration**

[Docket No. 2004N-0114]

**Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Institutional Review Boards**

**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 collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the recordkeeping requirements for institutional review boards (IRBs).

**DATES:** Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by May 17, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to: <http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments>. Submit written comments on the collection of information to the Division of Dockets Management (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:**

Karen L. Nelson, Office of Management Programs (HFA-250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1482.

**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 set forth in this document.

With respect to the following collection of information, FDA invites comments on these topics: (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.

**Institutional Review Boards—(21 CFR Part 56.115)—(OMB Control Number 0910-0130)—Extension**

When reviewing clinical research studies regulated by FDA, IRBs are required to create and maintain records describing their operations, and make the records available for FDA inspection when requested. These records include the following: (1) Written procedures describing the structure and membership of the IRB and the methods that the IRB will use in performing its functions; (2) the research protocols, informed consent documents, progress reports, and reports of injuries to subjects submitted by investigators to the IRB; (3) minutes of meetings showing attendance, votes and decisions made by the IRB, the number of votes on each decision for, against, and abstaining, the basis for requiring changes in or disapproving research; records of continuing review activities; (4) copies of all correspondence between investigators and the IRB; (5) statement of significant new findings provided to subjects of the research; and (6) a list of IRB members by name, showing each member's earned degrees, representative capacity, and experience in sufficient detail to describe each member's contributions to the IRB's deliberations, and any employment relationship between each member and the IRB's institution. This information is used by FDA in conducting audit inspections of IRBs to determine whether IRBs and clinical investigators are providing adequate protections to human subjects participating in clinical research.

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

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL RECORDKEEPING BURDEN<sup>1</sup>

CFR Section	No. of Recordkeepers	Annual Frequency of Recordkeeping	Total Annual Records	Hours per Recordkeeper	Total Hours
56.115	5,000	14.6	73,000	4.5	328,500
Total					328,500

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

The recordkeeping requirement burden is based on the following: The burden for each of the paragraphs under 21 CFR 56.115 has been considered as one estimated burden. FDA estimates that there are approximately 5,000 IRBs. The IRBs meet on an average of 14.6 times annually. The agency estimates that approximately 4.5 hours of person-

time per meeting are required to transcribe and type the minutes of the meeting; to maintain records of continuing review activities; and to make copies of all correspondence between the IRB and investigative member records, and written IRB procedures that are approximately five pages per IRB.

Dated: March 9, 2004.

**Jeffrey Shuren,**

*Assistant Commissioner for Policy.*

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