

Representatives, and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. This new system of records will become effective on June 11, 1996, without further notice, unless the Board publishes a notice to the contrary in the Federal Register.

This rule is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 8 of Title 5, because it is a "rule of agency organization, procedure, or practice that does not substantially affect the rights or obligations of non-agency parties." 5 U.S.C. 804(3)(C)

Accordingly, the Board proposes the establishment of the following system of records.

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SYSTEM NAME:

EEO General Files.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

None.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

EEO Programs Office, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th and Constitution, NW, Washington, DC 20551.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Current and former employees of the Board.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Self-identification reports of current and former employees regarding race, national origin, sex and disability; identification by Board staff regarding the race, national origin, sex and disability of those employees who refuse to voluntarily provide the information.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 791; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 2000e *et seq*; Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. 621 *et seq*; Equal Pay Act, 29 U.S.C. 206; and section 11 of the Federal Reserve Act, 12 U.S.C. 248(i) and 248(l).

PURPOSE:

To assist the Board in carrying out its responsibilities under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, and other nondiscrimination statutes.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USES AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

The information in the records may be used:

a. As a data source for production of summary descriptive statistics and analytical studies in support of the

function for which the records are collected and maintained, or for related personnel management functions or manpower studies.

b. To respond to general requests for statistical information (without personal identification of individuals) under the Freedom of Information Act.

c. To inform appropriate Board employees regarding any need for assistance by a disabled individual in the event an evacuation is necessary.

d. To provide information to a federal agency, in response to its request, in connection with the hiring or retention of an employee, the letting of a contract, or issuance of a license, grant, or other benefit by the requesting agency to the extent that the information is relevant and necessary to the requesting agency's decision on that matter.

e. To provide statistical information to Congress.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

These records are maintained in file folders and in electronic form.

RETRIEVABILITY:

These records are indexed by the names of the individuals on whom they are maintained.

SAFEGUARDS:

Access to and the use of these records is limited to those persons whose official duties require such access. Personnel screening is employed to prevent unauthorized access. Electronic files are protected by passwords.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

The records are maintained indefinitely.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

EEO Programs Director, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th and Constitution, NW, Washington, DC 20551.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Inquiries should be sent to the Secretary of the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20551.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Same as "Notification procedure" above.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

Same as "Notification procedure" above.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Individual to whom the record pertains; employees responsible for administering the Board's EEO program.

SYSTEM EXEMPTED FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT:

None.

By order of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, acting through the Secretary of the Board under delegated authority, April 8, 1996.

William W. Wiles,

Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

[Program Announcement No. 93631-96-02]

Developmental Disabilities: Request for Public Comments on Proposed Developmental Disabilities Funding Priority for Projects of National Significance for Fiscal Year 1996

AGENCY: Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD), Administration for Children and Families (ACF).

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments on developmental disabilities tentative funding priority for Projects of National Significance for Fiscal Year 1996.

SUMMARY: The Administration on Developmental Disabilities, Administration for Children and Families, announces that public comments are being requested on a tentative funding priority for Fiscal Year 1996 Projects of National Significance prior to being announced in its final form.

We welcome specific comments and suggestions on this proposed announcement and funding priority which will assist in bringing about the increased independence, productivity, integration, and inclusion into the community of individuals with developmental disabilities.

DATES: The closing date for submission of public comments is June 11, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to: Bob Williams, Commissioner, Administration on Developmental Disabilities, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, Room 329-D, HHH Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Adele Gorelick, Program Development
Division, Administration on
Developmental Disabilities, 202/690-
5982.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Part I. Background

*A. Goals of the Administration on
Developmental Disabilities*

The Administration on
Developmental Disabilities is located
within the Administration for Children
and Families, Department of Health and
Human Services (DHHS). Although
different from the other ACF program
administrations in the specific
constituency it serves, ADD shares a
common set of goals that promote the
economic and social well-being of
families, children, individuals and
communities. Through national
leadership, we see:

- Families and individuals
empowered to increase their own
economic independence and
productivity;
- Strong, healthy, supportive
communities having a positive impact
on the quality of life and the
development of children;
- Partnerships with individuals,
front-line service providers,
communities, States and Congress that
enable solutions which transcend
traditional agency boundaries;
- Services planned and integrated to
improve client access; and
- A strong commitment to working
with Native Americans, individuals
with developmental disabilities,
refugees and migrants to address their
needs, strengths and abilities.

Emphasis on these goals and progress
toward them will help more
individuals, including those with
developmental disabilities, to live
productive and independent lives
integrated into their communities. The
Projects of National Significance
Program is one means through which
ADD promotes the achievement of these
goals.

Two issues are of particular concern
with these projects. First, there is a
pressing need for networking and
cooperation among specialized and
categorical programs, particularly at the
service delivery level, to ensure
continuation of coordinated services to
people with developmental disabilities.
Second, project findings and successful
innovative models of projects need to be
made available nationally to policy
makers as well as to direct service
providers.

*B. Purpose of the Administration on
Developmental Disabilities*

The Administration on
Developmental Disabilities is the lead
agency within ACF and DHHS
responsible for planning and
administering programs which promote
the self-sufficiency and protect the
rights of individuals with
developmental disabilities.

The 1994 Amendments (Pub. L. 103-
230) to the Developmental Disabilities
Assistance and Bill of Rights Act (42
U.S.C. 6000 *et seq.*) (the Act) supports
and provides assistance to States and
public and private nonprofit agencies
and organizations to assure that
individuals with developmental
disabilities and their families participate
in the design of and have access to
culturally competent services, supports,
and other assistance and opportunities
that promote independence,
productivity and integration and
inclusion into the community.

The Act points out that:

- Disability is a natural part of the
human experience that does not
diminish the right of individuals with
developmental disabilities to enjoy the
opportunity for independence,
productivity and inclusion into the
community;
- Individuals whose disabilities occur
during their developmental period
frequently have severe disabilities that
are likely to continue indefinitely;
- Individuals with developmental
disabilities often require lifelong
specialized services and assistance,
provided in a coordinated and
culturally competent manner by many
agencies, professionals, advocates,
community representatives, and others
to eliminate barriers and to meet the
needs of such individuals and their
families;

The Act further finds that:

- Individuals with developmental
disabilities, including those with the
most severe developmental disabilities,
are capable of achieving independence,
productivity, and integration and
inclusion into the community, and often
require the provision of services,
supports and other assistance to achieve
such;
- Individuals with developmental
disabilities have competencies,
capabilities and personal goals that
should be recognized, supported, and
encouraged, and any assistance to such
individuals should be provided in an
individualized manner, consistent with
the unique strengths, resources,
priorities, concerns, abilities, and
capabilities of the individual;
- Individuals with developmental
disabilities and their families are the

primary decision makers regarding the
services and supports such individuals
and their families receive; and play
decision making roles in policies and
programs that affect the lives of such
individuals and their families; and

- It is in the nation's interest for
individuals with developmental
disabilities to be employed, and to live
conventional and independent lives as a
part of families and communities.

Toward these ends, ADD seeks to
enhance the capabilities of families in
assisting individuals with
developmental disabilities to achieve
their maximum potential, to support the
increasing ability of individuals with
developmental disabilities to exercise
greater choice and self-determination, to
engage in leadership activities in their
communities, as well as to ensure the
protection of their legal and human
rights.

Programs funded under the Act are:

- Federal assistance to State
developmental disabilities councils;
- State system for the protection and
advocacy of individual rights;
- Grants to university affiliated
programs for interdisciplinary training,
exemplary services, technical
assistance, and information
dissemination; and
- Grants for Projects of National
Significance.

*C. Description of Projects of National
Significance*

Under Part E of the Act,
demonstration grants (and in some
cases, a cooperative agreement) and
technical assistance contracts are
awarded for projects of national
significance that support the
development of national and State
policy to enhance the independence,
productivity, and integration and
inclusion of individuals with
developmental disabilities through:

- Data collection and analysis;
- Technical assistance to enhance the
quality of State developmental
disabilities councils, protection and
advocacy systems, and university
affiliated programs; and
- Other projects of sufficient size and
scope that hold promise to expand or
improve opportunities for individuals
with developmental disabilities,
including:
 - Technical assistance for the
development of information and
referral systems;
 - Educating policy makers;
 - Federal interagency initiatives;
 - The enhancement of participation of
racial and ethnic minorities in public
and private sector initiatives in
developmental disabilities;

- Transition of youth with developmental disabilities from school to adult life; and
- Special pilots and evaluation studies to explore the expansion of programs under part B (State developmental disabilities councils) to individuals with severe disabilities other than developmental disabilities.

Section 162(c) of the Act requires that ADD publish in the Federal Register proposed priorities for grants and contracts to carry out Projects of National Significance. The Act also requires a period of 60 days for public comment concerning such proposed priorities. After analyzing and considering such comments, ADD must publish in the Federal Register final priorities for such grants and contracts, and solicit applications for funding based on the final priorities selected.

The following section presents the proposed priority area for Fiscal Year 1996 Projects of National Significance. We welcome specific comments and suggestions. We would also like to receive suggestions on topics which are timely and relate to specific needs in the developmental disabilities field.

Please be aware that the development of the final funding priority is based on the public comment response to this notice, current agency and Departmental priorities, needs in the field of developmental disabilities and the developmental disabilities network, etc., as well as the availability of funds for this fiscal year.

Part II. Fiscal Year 1996 Proposed Priority Area for Projects of National Significance

ADD is interested in all comments and recommendations which address areas of existing or evolving national significance related to the field of developmental disabilities.

ADD also solicits recommendations for project activities which will advocate for public policy change and community acceptance of all individuals with developmental disabilities and families so that such individuals receive the culturally competent services, supports, and other assistance and opportunities necessary to enable them to achieve their maximum potential through increased independence, productivity, and integration into the community.

ADD is also interested in activities which promote the inclusion of all individuals with developmental disabilities, including individuals with the most severe disabilities, in community life; which promote the interdependent activity of all individuals with developmental

disabilities and individuals who are not disabled; and which recognize the contributions of these individuals (whether they have a disability or not), as such individuals share their talents at home, school, and work, and in recreation and leisure time.

No proposals, concept papers or other forms of applications should be submitted at this time. Any such submission will be discarded.

ADD will not respond to individual comment letters. However, all comments will be considered in preparing the final funding solicitation announcement and will be acknowledged and addressed in that announcement.

Please be reminded that, because of possible funding limitations, the proposed priority area listed below may not be published in a final funding solicitation for this fiscal year.

Comments should be addressed to:

Bob Williams, Commissioner, Administration on Developmental Disabilities, Department of Health and Human Services, Room 329-D HHH Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201.

Fiscal Year 1996 Proposed Priority Area: Ongoing Data Collection and Information Dissemination

The purpose of this priority area is to fund a variety of projects through grants and/or cooperative agreements to collect data on public expenditures, employment and economic status, and other factors as they impact on the independence, productivity, integration and inclusion into the community of persons with developmental disabilities. ADD is particularly interested in the maximum use of already existing data bases and in fostering the broadest dissemination to and use of the data by consumers, families and advocacy audiences. Examples of successful projects that ADD has funded include:

- University of Minnesota: National Recurring Data Set Project on Residential Services—Ongoing National and State-by-State Data Collection and Policy/Impact Analysis on Residential Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (Charles Lakin: 612/624-5005)
- University of Illinois at Chicago: Fourth National Study of Public Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities Spending (David Braddock: 312/413-1647)
- Boston Children's Hospital: Ongoing National Collection on Data and Employment Services for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (Bill Kiernan: 617/355-6506).

Examples of projects that ADD will fund include activities which would:

- Identify, collect and disseminate new data bases.
- Modify, expand and/or reformulate existing data bases.
- Project and model the cost-benefit impact of alternative future decisions based on the analysis of discrete programmatic options in the areas of residential services and employment.
- Connect, integrate or analyze available data bases.

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Dated: March 27, 1996.

Bob Williams,

Commissioner, Administration on Developmental Disabilities.

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National Institutes of Health

Notice of Establishment

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, approved October 6, 1972, (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2) and Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 217a), the Director, National Institutes of Health, announces the establishment by the Secretary of Health and Human Services of The Board of Governors of the Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center ("Board").

The Board of Governors of the Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center will advise the Director, National Institutes of Health, and the Director, the Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center, on all matters relating to the operations of the Clinical Center, including its budget and strategic and annual operating plans. The Board also serves as the governing body for the Clinical Center for clinical activities.

Dated: April 4, 1996.

Harold Varmus,

Director, National Institutes of Health.

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National Eye Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following National Eye Institute Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meeting:

Name of SEP: Clinical Research.

Date: May 3, 1996.