

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
TANF Data Report	54	4	451	97,416

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 97,416

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, Division of Information Resource Management Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments 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) 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. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Dated: October 27, 1997.

Bob Sargis,

Acting Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: 45 CFR part 303.72—Request for collection of past-due support by Federal tax refund offset and administrative offset.

OMB No.: 0970-0161.

Description: The Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) operates the Tax refund offset TROP. The TROP was enacted by Congress on August 13, 1981 (Pub. L. 97-35, section 2331). This is a computerized system operated by the Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and State child support agencies. The TROP was established to recover delinquent AFDC child support debts with ongoing cooperation of states and local child support agencies.

The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-508) signed by the President in November 1990, expanded the Program to include a provision for non-AFDC cases.

In 1996 the Debt Collection Improvement Act (Pub. L. 104-134) further expanded the program to increase the collection of nontax debts owned to the Federal Government and to assist families in collecting past-due child support. It required the development and implementation of procedures necessary to collect past-due support by administrative offset by agencies. As a result, this program is now known as the Tax Refund and

Administrative Offset Program TROP/ADOP).

Purpose: Pursuant to Public Law 97-35 enacted by Congress on August 13, 1981, Pub. L. 101-508 signed by the President in November 1990 and Pub. L. 104-134 enacted into law on April 26, 1996, the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, and pursuant to the Executive Order 13019 dated September 28, 1996, the OSCE will match the tax refund records against Federal payment certification records and Federal financial assistance records. The purpose is to facilitate the collection of delinquent child support obligations from persons who may be entitled or eligible to receive certain Federal payments or Federal assistance. State child support agencies submit cases of delinquent child support claims to the OSCE for submission to the Financial Management Service (FMS). These cases are sent by on-line dial-up access via personal computer, tape and cartridge via mail, Mitron tape, file transfer, or electronic data transmission. The Office of Child Support Enforcement serves as a conduit between state child support enforcement agencies and the FMS by processing weekly updates of collection data and distributing the information back to the appropriate State child support agency. The information will be disclosed by OCSE to state child support agencies for use in the collection of child support debts, through locate action wage withholding or other enforcement actions.

Respondents: State District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and Virgin Islands Governments

Respondents: State and local governments.

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Sub/test tape and Data Spec	1,744	52	5 minutes	7,557.3 hours.
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Withdrawal notice	1,744	5	2 minutes	291 hours.
Pre-offset notice	54	87,075	2 minutes	15,673.5 hours.
Case Cert	54	52	3 minutes	140.4 hours.
Payment Infor	26	1	10 minutes	4.3 hours.
Local office contact phone address	1,744	1	30 minutes	872 hours.
Request for update	54	52	5 minutes	234 hours.

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Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Federal Tax Offset contact	54	1	2 minutes	1.8 hours.
Update Spec	54	1	2 minutes	1.8 hours.
Issuance of pre-offset notice	54	1	2 minutes	1.8 hours.
Contact point for OCSE Pre-offset notice	30	1	1 minute	0.9 hours.
Non-TANF Tax Refund Offset Information	1,744	40,735	10 minutes	6,789.2 hours.
Offset notice address/phone number change	54	1	10 minutes	9.0 hours.
Personal computer data	54	1	5 minutes	4.5 hours.
Notice of intention	25	1	2 minutes	0.8 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 31,816.3.

Additional Information: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, Division of Information Resource Management Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer.

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: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attn: Ms. Wendy Taylor.

Dated: October 28, 1997.

Bob Sargis,

Acting Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Current Topics in Immunohematologic Testing; Public Workshop

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing a public workshop entitled "Current Topics in Immunohematologic Testing." The topics to be discussed include specificity and sensitivity of Anti-D Blood Grouping Reagents; the development of performance standards for antiglobulin control cells and blood bank saline; user interpretation of

labeling information; and the validation and use of blood grouping instrumentation.

Date and Time: The workshop will be held on December 10, 1997, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: The workshop will be held at Natcher Auditorium, National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bldg. 45, Bethesda, MD.

Contact Person: Joseph Wilczek, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (HFM-350), Food and Drug Administration, 1401 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-1448, 301-827-3514, FAX 301-827-2843.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The goals of the workshop are specific to each topic and include the following: (1) Distinguish between those issues that are medically important and those issues that are primarily of scientific interest with respect to Anti-D specificity and sensitivity; (2) present examples of significant problems attributable to the variability seen within two types of product, antiglobulin control cells and blood bank saline, due to the lack of standards; (3) identify areas of immunohematologic product labeling which need to be modified to provide the user with a better understanding of its uses and limitations; and (4) discuss user validation of complete systems as well as partial or site-assembled systems regarding blood grouping instrumentation. The information obtained from these presentations and discussions will assist FDA in taking the necessary steps for assuring the safety and effectiveness of these medical devices.

Registration and Requests for Oral Presentations: Send or fax registration information (including name, title, firm name, address, telephone, and fax number), written material, and requests to make oral presentations by November 28, 1997, to Cody Bridges, 14504 Greenview Dr., suite 500, Laurel, MD 20708, 301-490-5500, FAX 301-490-7260, e-mail CBRIDGES@lcnnet.com. Registration at the site will be done on

a space available basis on the day of the workshop beginning at 7:30 a.m. There is no registration fee for the workshop.

If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Cody Bridges at least 7 days in advance.

Transcripts: Transcripts of the workshop may be requested in writing from the Freedom of Information Office (HF1-35), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 12A-16, Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after the workshop at a cost of 10 cents per page.

Dated: October 24, 1997.

William K. Hubbard.

Associate Commissioner for Policy Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

[BPO-150-N]

Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances—First Quarter 1997

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice lists HCFA manual instructions, substantive and interpretive regulations, and other **Federal Register** notices that were published during January, February, and March of 1997 that relate to the Medicare and Medicaid programs. It also identifies certain devices with investigational device exemption numbers approved by the Food and Drug Administration that may be potentially covered under Medicare.

Section 1871(c) of the Social Security Act requires that we publish a list of Medicare issuances in the **Federal Register** at least every 3 months. Although we are not mandated to do so