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This notice is being published less than fifteen days prior to the meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

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**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Committee Management Officer, NIH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Public Health Service

#### National Toxicology Program; Call for Public Comments; Agents, Substances, Mixtures and Exposure Circumstances Proposed for Listing in or Removing From the Report on Carcinogens, Ninth Edition

The National Toxicology Program (NTP) announces its intent to re-review 2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD) (CAS #1746-01-6) for possible listing in the Report on Carcinogens, Ninth Edition as Known To Be A Human Carcinogen.

#### Background

This Report is a Congressionally-mandated listing of Known Human Carcinogens and Reasonably Anticipated Human Carcinogens and its preparation is delegated to the National Toxicology Program by the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Section 301(b)(4) of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, provides that the Secretary, (HHS), shall publish a report which contains a list of all substances (1) which either are known to be human carcinogens or may reasonably be anticipated to be human carcinogens; and (2) to which a significant number of persons residing in the United States (US) are exposed. The law also states that the reports should provide available information on the nature of exposures, the estimated number of persons exposed and the extent to which the implementation of Federal regulations decreases the risk to public health from exposure to these chemicals.

2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD) was reviewed in public session by the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors Subcommittee for the Report on Carcinogens on October 30 & 31, 1997. This review resulted in the Subcommittee's recommendation to upgrade the TCDD listing from Reasonably Anticipated to Be A Human Carcinogen to Known To Be A Human Carcinogen.

#### NTP Announces a Re-review of 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin and Requests Public Comments

Following his review of the proceedings of that meeting, the NTP Director has determined that the October 30 & 31 public review of TCDD may not have been adequate and has directed that the nomination of TCDD for upgrading to a Known to be Human Carcinogen in the Report on Carcinogens be formally reviewed again by the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors Subcommittee for the Report on Carcinogens in December 1998. The TCDD background document provided to the NTP Board Subcommittee and the public comments and the summary minutes of the October 30 & 31, 1997, review by the NTP Board Subcommittee are available upon request. The NTP wants to insure that all relevant information for TCDD pertaining to its epidemiology and the mechanism of tumor formation in humans and laboratory animals is adequately considered and solicits additional relevant information in support of or against the nomination to list TCDD as a Known to be Human Carcinogen in the Report on Carcinogens, Ninth Edition. In light of the decision to re-review TCDD, the deadline for public comments on dioxin will be extended until June 15, 1998 (see **Federal Register**: March 19, 1998, Volume 63, Number 53, Page 13418). All comments received will be considered in the preparation of any additional information to supplement the original background document. Any new or supplementary information to be provided to the NTP Board Subcommittee members will be available to the public approximately one month prior to the December peer review meeting.

Requests for the background information described, comments, or questions should be directed to Dr. C. W. Jameson, National Toxicology Program, Report on Carcinogens, 79 Alexander Drive, Building 4401, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709; phone: (919) 541-4096, fax: (919) 541-2242, email: jameson@niehs.nih.gov.

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**Kenneth Olden,**

*Director, National Toxicology Program.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

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

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 concerning opportunity for public comment on proposed collections of information, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the information collection plans, call the SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443-7978.

#### Proposed Project

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR MENTAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDER EDUCATION IN HIV/AIDS PROGRAM II—New—The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) intends to conduct a multi-site evaluation of its Cooperative Agreement for Mental Health Care Provider Education in HIV/AIDS Program II. The education programs to be funded under this cooperative agreement are designed to disseminate knowledge of the psychological and neuropsychiatric sequelae of HIV/AIDS to both traditional (e.g., psychiatrists, psychologists, nurses, primary care physicians, medical students, and social workers) and non-traditional (e.g., clergy, and alternative health care workers) first-line providers of mental health services. The multi-site evaluation is designed to assess the effectiveness of particular training curricula, document the integrity of training delivery formats, and assess the effectiveness of the various training delivery formats.

Analyses will assist CMHS in documenting the numbers and types of traditional and non-traditional mental health providers accessing training; the content, nature and types of training participants receive; and the extent to which trainees experience knowledge, skill and attitude gains/changes as a result of training attendance. The multi-

site evaluation design uses a two-tiered data collection and analytic strategy to collect information on (1) the organization and delivery of training, and (2) the impact of training on participants' knowledge, skills and abilities. Information about the organization and delivery of training will be collected from trainers and staff who are funded by these cooperative agreements hence there is no respondent burden. All training participants will be asked to complete a

brief (5 minute) satisfaction questionnaire. Trainees attending sessions longer than 3 hours long will be asked to complete 10-minute pre-post-test evaluation questionnaires. Trainees attending sessions longer than 8 hours and a sample of their supervisors will also be asked to complete 5-minute follow-up evaluation instruments. CMHS intends to fund between 6 to 8 education sites under the Cooperative Agreement for Mental Health Care Provider Education in HIV/

AIDS Program II. Each site will serve an estimated 3000 to 3300 trainees over 3 years. The average time requirement for participants across all sessions is expected to be 12 minutes. A pre-test of the evaluation instruments and design will be completed in 4 sites with no more than 9 respondents. Modifications to the evaluation design and instruments will be made as based on results from the feasibility study.

	Number of respondents	Average responses per respondent	Average time per respondent (minutes)	Total time burden (hours)	Annual burden (hours)
Trainees .....	26,400	1.5	12	7,920	2,640
Supervisors .....	2,640	1	5	220	73
Total .....	29,040	.....	.....	8,140	2,713

\* Based on 8 sites funded for 3 years serving a maximum of 1,100 trainees per year. Number of respondents is estimated based on sites conducting 60% of sessions being 3 hours or less, 30 percent of sessions between 3 and 8 hours long and 10 percent of sessions greater than 8 hours long.

Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collections of information are 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.

Send comments to Nancy Pearce, SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 16-105, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

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**Richard Kopanda,**

*Executive Officer, SAMHSA.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-4349-N-12]

**Submission for OMB REVIEW: COMMENT REQUEST**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** *Comments due date:* May 15, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval number and should be sent to: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., OMB Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, Southwest, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-1305. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of the proposed forms and other available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department has submitted the proposal for the collection of information, as described below, to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

The Notice lists the following information: (1) The title of the information collection proposal; (2) the office of the agency to collect the

information; (3) the OMB approval number, if applicable; (4) the description of the need for the information and its proposed use; (5) the agency form number, if applicable; (6) what members of the public will be affected by the proposal; (7) how frequently information submissions will be required; (8) an estimate of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information submission including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response; (9) whether the proposal is new, an extension, reinstatement, or revision of an information collection requirement; and (10) the names and telephone numbers of an agency official familiar with the proposal and of the OMB Desk Officer for the Department.

**Authority:** Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended.

Dated: April 8, 1998.

**David S. Cristy,**

*Director, IRM Policy and Management Division.*

**Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB**

*Title of Proposal:* Technical Assistance for Community Planning and Development Programs.

*Office:* Community Planning and Development.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2506-xxxx.

*Description of the Need for the Information and Its Proposed Use:* To conduct competitions to select technical assistance providers to supply expertise to CPD grantees to shape their CPD and other available resources into effective,