

whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Greg Steadman, Statistician, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 810 7th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20531, or via facsimile (202) 307-5846.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) Type of information collection: New collection.

(2) The title of the form/collection: 1998 National Study of DNA Laboratories.

(3) The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection: Form number CLAB-1. Bureau of Justice Statistics, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:

Primary: State, Local or Tribal Government

Other: None.

This information collection is a census of public crime laboratories that perform DNA analysis. The information will provide statistics on laboratories' capacity to analyze DNA evidence, the number and sources of DNA evidence received per year, the number, types, and costs of analyses completed. It will also identify the capacities of states to participate in a national DNA database.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply: 160 respondents each taking an average 0.75 hours to respond.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 120 annual burden hours.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and

Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: August 12, 1998.

Robert B. Briggs,

Department Clearance Officer,

United States Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

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Notice of Meeting of the Coalition of Juvenile Justice

AGENCY: Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Justice.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention is announcing the meeting of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice.

DATES: This conference will begin at 8:00 a.m. on September 9, 1998, and end at 1:00 p.m. on September 13, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Freida Thomas, 202/307-5924, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, 810 7th Street, NW, Room 8142, Washington, DC 20531.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. I), the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) announces the meeting of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice. This conference will begin at 8:00 a.m. on September 9, 1998, and end at 1:00 p.m. on September 13, 1998. This advisory committee, chartered as the Coalition for Juvenile Justice, will meet at the Sheraton World Resort, 10100 International Drive, Orlando, Florida 32821-8095. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and adopt recommendations from members regarding the committee's responsibility to advise the OJJDP Administrator, the President and the Congress about State perspectives on the operation of the OJJDP and Federal legislation pertaining to juvenile justice and delinquency prevention.

This meeting will be open to the public.

Shay Bilchik,

Administrator Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

National Institute of Justice

[OJP (NIJ)-1191]

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Announcement of the Availability of the National Institute of Justice Solicitation for Communicating Research Findings: Assessing the Communication Strategies and Products of the National Institute of Justice

AGENCY: Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice, Justice.

ACTION: Notice of solicitation.

SUMMARY: Announcement of the availability of the National Institute of Justice solicitation "Communicating Research Findings: Assessing the Communication Strategies and Products of the National Institute of Justice."

DATES: Due date for receipt of proposals is close of business September 15, 1998.

ADDRESSES: National Institute of Justice, 810 Seventh Street, NW, Washington, DC 20531.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the solicitation, please call NCJRS 1-800-851-3420. For general information about application procedures for solicitations, please call the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center 1-800-421-6770.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

This action is authorized under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, sections 201-03, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 3721-23 (1994).

Background

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) is requesting proposals to assess/evaluate its overall communications and dissemination processes and products, especially as they relate to its primary mission to develop knowledge and technology that will improve and strengthen the criminal justice system. Areas of assessment should include, but not be limited to: (1) Topics/content—are they timely and relevant?; (2) formats—are they user-friendly?; (3) which of the current formats are most preferred?; (4) audience; and (5) is NIJ