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# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

# Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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### Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice with comment period.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the general public and other federal agencies the opportunity to comment on a continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on a proposed information collection project titled Characteristics of Cases of Priority Fungal Diseases. These case report forms (CRF) collect information on patient demographics, underlying conditions, diagnosis, treatments, healthcare utilization, and outcomes of patients with coccidioidomycosis, histoplasmosis, blastomycosis, Candida auris, triazoleresistant Aspergillus fumigatus infection or colonization, or antifungal-resistant dermatophytosis, chromoblastomycosis, mycetoma, and sporotrichosis.

**DATES:** CDC must receive written comments on or before December 24, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC–2024–0084 by either of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• *Mail:* Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS H21–8, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket Number. CDC will post, without change, all relevant comments to www.regulations.gov. *Please note:* Submit all comments through the Federal eRulemaking portal (*www.regulations.gov*) or by U.S. mail to the address listed above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, contact Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE, MS H21–8, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; Telephone: 404–639–7570; Email: *omb@ cdc.gov.* 

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (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. In addition, the PRA also requires federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each new proposed collection, each proposed extension of existing collection of information, and each reinstatement of previously approved information collection before submitting the collection to the OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, we are publishing this notice of a proposed data collection as described below.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments that will help:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's 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;

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 submissions of responses; and

5. Assess information collection costs.

#### **Proposed Project**

Characteristics of Cases of Priority Fungal Diseases (OMB Control No. 0920–1385, Exp. 4/30/2027)— Revision—National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

## Background and Brief Description

Fungal diseases cause substantial illness, ranging from mild infection to severe or life-threatening invasive disease. They also constitute a considerable financial burden on patients and healthcare systems. Awareness of fungal diseases is low, and data collection has historically been limited in size, scope, and coordination, which has hindered our understanding of these diseases. Detailed epidemiologic and clinical data are critical to inform appropriate public health responses.

CDC plans to enhance surveillance of high priority fungal diseases across the United States to better characterize factors such as disease burden, geographic scope, patient risk factors, health disparities, healthcare utilization, outcomes, and emerging trends. This project will serve as a Revision to the information collection project Characteristics of Cases of Priority Fungal Diseases (OMB Control No. 0920–1385). The Revision will expand the number of fungal diseases for which data may be collected. In addition to triazole-resistant A. fumigatus infections, coccidioidomycosis, histoplasmosis, blastomycosis, C. auris, and antifungal-resistant dermatophytosis, Case Report Forms (CRF) have also been developed for chromoblastomycosis, mycetoma, and sporotrichosis.

CDC plans to use standardized CRFs to collect public health surveillance data for cases of these diseases regarding demographics (e.g., age, sex, race/ ethnicity, location of residence), underlying medical conditions, diagnosis (e.g., clinical presentation, laboratory testing), treatments, and outcomes (e.g., hospitalization, vital status). The corresponding CRF would be filled out voluntarily by state, local or tribal health departments, federal agencies, and members of the private sector (e.g., academic institutions), and contains a section for medical chart review and an optional supplemental interview (including data on potential occupational or environmental exposures) of the patient or their representative. Findings can help identify populations at higher risk of these diseases, detect emerging epidemiologic trends, and guide prevention and response efforts. They can also help better focus public and healthcare provider outreach, inform efforts to contain or mitigate spread, and influence health policy and research on prevention and treatment.

CDC requests OMB approval for an estimated 1,564 annual burden hours.

There is no cost to respondents other than their time to participate.

## ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Form name	Type of respondent	Number of respondents	Number responses per respondent	Avg. burden per response (in hrs.)	Total burden (in hrs.)
Triazole-resistant Aspergillus fumigatus Case Report Form	State and Local Health Departments	15	15	0.5	113
Coccidioidomycosis Case Report Form	State and Local Health Departments	10	25	1.0	250
	Private Sectors	3	10	1.0	30
Histoplasmosis Case Report Form	State and Local Health Departments	10	25	1.0	250
	Private Sectors	3	10	1.0	30
Blastomycosis Case Report Form	State and Local Health Departments	10	25	1.0	250
	Private Sectors	3	10	1.0	30
Candida auris Case Report Form	State and Local Health Departments	15	20	0.75	225
	Private Sectors	3	10	0.75	23
Antifungal-resistant dermatophytosis case report form	State and Local Health Departments	10	10	0.5	50
Chromoblastomycosis case report form	Private Sectors	25	10	0.5	125
Mycetoma case report form	Private Sectors	25	5	0.5	63
Sporotrichosis case report form	Private Sectors	25	10	0.5	125
Total					1,564

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

## Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

# Meeting of the Lead Exposure and Prevention Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announces the following meeting for the Lead Exposure and Prevention Advisory Committee (LEPAC). This virtual meeting is open to the public. Advance registration by December 4, 2024, is needed to receive the information to join the meeting. The registration link is provided in the addresses section below.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on December 11, 2024 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., EST.

ADDRESSES: Register in advance https:// events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/ 0e538aa3-bc82-43e9-89ee-d997b498c fe6@9ce70869-60db-44fd-abe8-d27670 77fc8f to receive information to join the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Allwood, Ph.D., M.P.H., Designated Federal Officer, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 4770 Buford Highway, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, Telephone: 770–488–6774; Email: *LEPAC*@cdc.gov.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Background:* The Lead Exposure and Prevention Advisory Committee was established under Section 2203 of Public Law 114–322, the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act; 42 U.S.C. 300j–21, Registry for Lead Exposure and Prevention Advisory Committee.

Purpose: The LEPAC is charged with providing advice and guidance to the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the Director, CDC and Administrator, ATSDR, on (1) reviewing Federal programs and services available to individual communities exposed to lead; (2) reviewing current research on lead exposure to identify additional research needs; (3) reviewing and identifying best practices, or the need for best practices regarding lead screening and the prevention of lead poisoning; (4) identifying effective services, including services relating to healthcare, education, and nutrition for individuals and communities affected by lead exposure and lead poisoning, including in consultation with, as appropriate, the lead exposure registry as established in Section 2203(b) of Public Law 114-322; and (5) undertaking any other review or activities that the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

Matters to be Considered: The agenda will include presentations and discussions on the following topics: vote on the 2023 annual LEPAC report, report from the Preventing Lead Exposure in Adults workgroup, lead related updates from the LEPAC members, local perspective on improving blood lead testing, blood lead testing strategies. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

# **Public Participation**

*Oral Public Comment:* The public comment period is scheduled on December 11, 2024, from 12:30 p.m. until 12:50 p.m., EST. Individuals wishing to make a comment during the public comment period, please email your name, organization, and phone number by November 25, 2024, to *LEPAC@cdc.gov.* 

The Director, Office of Strategic Business Initiatives, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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