

and vendors, who have suffered cancers and other designated illnesses as a result of exposures sustained in the production and testing of nuclear weapons.

Executive Order 13179, issued on December 7, 2000, delegated authorities assigned to “the President” under the Act to the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Energy and Justice. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) was delegated the responsibility of establishing methods for estimating radiation doses received by eligible claimants with cancer applying for compensation. NIOSH is applying the following methods to estimate the radiation doses of individuals applying for compensation.

In performance of its dose reconstruction responsibilities under the Act, NIOSH is providing voluntary interview opportunities to claimants (or their survivors) individually and providing them with the opportunity to assist NIOSH in documenting the work history of the employee by characterizing the actual work tasks performed. In addition, NIOSH and the

claimant may identify incidents that may have resulted in undocumented radiation exposures, characterizing radiological protection and monitoring practices, and identify co-workers and other witnesses as may be necessary to confirm undocumented information. In this process, NIOSH uses a computer assisted telephone interview (CATI) system, which allows interviews to be conducted more efficiently and quickly as opposed to a paper-based interview instrument. Both interviews are voluntary and failure to participate in either or both interviews will not have a negative effect on the claim, although voluntary participation may assist the claimant by adding important information that may not be otherwise available.

NIOSH uses the data collected in this process to complete an individual dose reconstruction that accounts, as fully as possible, for the radiation dose incurred by the employee in the line of duty for DOE nuclear weapons production programs. After dose reconstruction, NIOSH also performs a brief, voluntary final interview with the claimant to explain the results and to allow the

claimant to confirm or question the records NIOSH has compiled. This will also be the final opportunity for the claimant to supplement the dose reconstruction record.

At the conclusion of the dose reconstruction process, the claimant submits a form to confirm that the claimant has no further information to provide to NIOSH about the claim at this time. The form notifies the claimant that signing the form allows NIOSH to forward a dose reconstruction report to DOL and to the claimant, and closes the record on data used for the dose reconstruction. Signing this form does not indicate that the claimant agrees with the outcome of the dose reconstruction. The dose reconstruction results will be supplied to the claimant and to the DOL, the agency that will utilize them as one part of its determination of whether the claimant is eligible for compensation under the Act.

CDC requests OMB approval for an estimated annual 3,900 burden hours. There is no cost to respondents other than their time to participate.

**ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS**

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Claimant .....	Initial Interview .....	3,600	1	1	3,600
Claimant .....	Conclusion Form OCAS-1 .....	3,600	1	5/60	300
<b>Total .....</b>	.....	.....	.....	.....	<b>3,900</b>

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

[60Day-25-1268; Docket No. CDC-2024-0093]

**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 Drug Overdose Surveillance and Epidemiology (DOSE). This data collection is designed to facilitate rapid identification and tracking of Emergency Department (ED) data on eight drug overdose indicators.

**DATES:** CDC must receive written comments on or before January 7, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC-2024-0093 by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* [www.regulations.gov](http://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](http://www.regulations.gov).

*Please note:* Submit all comments through the Federal eRulemaking portal ([www.regulations.gov](http://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](mailto: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**

Drug Overdose Surveillance and Epidemiology (DOSE) (OMB Control No. 0920–1268, Exp. 9/30/2025)—Revision—National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

*Background and Brief Description*

In 2022, a total of 107,941 drug overdose deaths occurred, corresponding to an age-adjusted rate of 32.6 per 100,000 population, quadruple from the 2002 rate (8.2). From 2021 to 2022, the synthetic opioid-involved death rate other than methadone increased 4.1%, from 21.8 to 22.7 per 100,000. The psychostimulant-involved age-adjusted death rate increased more than 34 times, from 0.3 in 2002 to 10.4 in 2022, and two states had a significant increase in non-fatal overdoses between 2023 and 2024. In response to the growing severity of the opioid overdose epidemic, the US government declared the opioid overdose epidemic a public health emergency (PHE) on October 26, 2017. The opioid overdose epidemic is one of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) top priorities. In 2021, HHS expanded their Overdose Prevention Strategy to focus on four strategic priorities: primary prevention, harm reduction, evidence-based treatment, and recovery support.

Drug Overdose Surveillance and Epidemiology (DOSE) 2.0 is made possible because the vast majority of the participating health departments are already rapidly collecting extensive data on Emergency Department (ED) visits in their jurisdiction and using these data

for the identification of public health concerns including flu and other respiratory illnesses, heat-related illness, and hurricane-related health issues. DOSE 1.0 ensured participating jurisdictions use their data to track suspected overdoses by providing participating jurisdictions standardized definitions of ED visits involving all drug, all opioid, heroin and all stimulant overdoses. To further advance overdose surveillance, for DOSE 2.0, CDC added four additional drug indicators—fentanyl, cocaine, methamphetamine, and benzodiazepine. This facilitates rapid identification and tracking of ED data on a total of eight drug overdose indicators.

Also, no single ED surveillance system has national coverage, but almost all participating health departments use one of three systems—the NSSP BioSense System, local ED syndromic surveillance, or ED/inpatient hospital discharge overdose data files. DOSE 2.0 integrates data across these three types of ED surveillance to quickly build a national surveillance system while leveraging existing ED data collection efforts. DOSE 2.0 can use data across the three types of ED surveillance systems because the key data requirement is the ability to detect change over time (e.g., data consistently collected within the jurisdiction overtime) and not comparability across participating health departments (e.g., same data collection methods deployed across state health departments overtime).

CDC is requesting OMB approval for three years with an annual estimated burden of 655 hours. There is no cost to respondents other than their time to participate.

**ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS**

Type of respondent	Form name	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Average burden per response (hours)	Total annual burden (hours)
Participating health departments sharing aggregate data from NSSP BioSense.	Rapid ED overdose data form.	45	12	0.5	270
Participating health departments sharing aggregate data from local syndromic data file.	Rapid ED overdose data form.	3	12	3	108
Participating health department sharing finalized <i>ED and inpatient hospitalization</i> aggregate data on total ED/inpatient hospitalization visits, and metadata on a yearly basis.	ED and hospitalization discharge overdose data form.	32	1	3	96
Participating health department sharing finalized aggregate data on total inpatient hospitalization visits, and metadata on a yearly basis.	Inpatient hospitalization discharge overdose data form.	3	1	2	6
Participating health department sharing line-level <i>ED/inpatient hospitalization</i> discharge data (.csv) on drug overdose-related visits (i.e., any visit with an ICD–10–CM code between T36–T50, including all intents, encounters, underdosing, and adverse effects.	.....	35	1	5	175

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS—Continued

Type of respondent	Form name	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Average burden per response (hours)	Total annual burden (hours)
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	655

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

[60Day–25–1105; Docket No. CDC–2024–0092]

**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 One Health Harmful Algal Bloom System (OHHABS). This data collection is designed to support the understanding and prevention of Health Harmful Algal Blooms (HAB) and HAB-associated illnesses.

**DATES:** CDC must receive written comments on or before January 7, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC–2024–0092 by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* [www.regulations.gov](http://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](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Please note:** Submit all comments through the Federal eRulemaking portal ([www.regulations.gov](http://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](mailto: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**

One Health Harmful Algal Bloom System (OHHABS) (OMB Control No. 0920–1105, Exp. 11/30/2025)—Revision—National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

**Background and Brief Description**

Harmful algal blooms (HABs) are the rapid growth of algae or cyanobacteria (also called blue-green algae) that can cause harm to people, animals, or the local ecology. Algal toxins from harmful algal blooms (HABs) include some of the most potent natural chemicals; these toxins can contaminate surface water used for recreation and drinking, as well as food sources. HABs pose a threat to both humans and animals. Human and animal illnesses from exposures to HABs in fresh and marine waters have been documented in the United States. Animal illness may be an indicator of bloom toxicity; thus, it is necessary to provide a One Health approach for reporting HAB-associated illnesses and events.

OHHABS was approved for data collection in 2016. The system was launched in June 2016 along with a CDC HAB-associated illnesses website to provide more information for the general public about potential illnesses and to share resources for HAB awareness and OHHABS with public health partners. Since 2016, CDC has provided technical assistance and training to states and territories interested in OHHABS and worked with contractors to implement new features for OHHABS.

CDC estimates the annualized burden hours based on historical data of the actual number of respondents to OHHABS. Specifically, CDC estimates 300 annual environmental reports, 90 human reports, and 130 animal reports, by taking the average number of reports submitted to OHHABS during 2018–2022. CDC had six employees use mock