DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority


Section C–B, Organization and Functions, is hereby amended as follows:

Delete item (8) of the functional statement for the Office of the Director (CG1), Division of Strategic National Stockpile (CGE), Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response (CGA), and renumber remaining items accordingly.

Delete in its entirety the mission statement for the Division of State and Local Readiness (CGC), and insert the following:

Division of State and Local Readiness (CGC): The Division of State and Local Readiness provides program support, technical assistance, guidance, technical integration and capacity building of preparedness planning across the public health, healthcare, and emergency management sectors and fiscal oversight to state, local, tribal and territorial public health department grantees for the development, monitoring and evaluation of public health capabilities, plans, infrastructure and systems to prepare for and respond to terrorism, outbreaks of disease, natural disasters and other public health emergencies.

After the title and functional statement for the Field Services Branch (CGCD), Division of State and Local Readiness (CGC), Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response (CGA), insert the following:

Public Health and Health Systems Capacity Building Branch (CGCE). (1) Facilitates the improvement of the preparedness and response capabilities of the nation’s public health and healthcare system in collaboration with Hospital Preparedness Program/Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (HPP/ASPR) to strengthen the intersect between public health, healthcare systems, and emergency management at the state and local level, specifically, this branch strives to improve medical countermeasure planning at the state and local level; (2) creates a system for assuring coordination, collaboration, and communication between HPP/ASPR and the Division of State and Local Readiness, CDC; (3) improves states and local healthcare systems planning and response through development of guidance, tools, program monitoring, technical assistance, and training; (4) improves the delivery of technical assistance to the public health and healthcare sector; (5) serves as an agent of information to improve awardee access to healthcare preparedness tools and expertise; (6) assures healthcare system preparedness in the top 10 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) regions covered by executive order 13527; (7) facilitates the enhancement of healthcare preparedness at the state/local public health department level to have a national impact; (8) provides health communications guidance and products before, during, and after an event to assist state/local public health departments and the healthcare systems in developing risk communicating strategies and messages; and (9) collaborates with the Division of Strategic National Stockpile, Response and Logistics Branches during exercises or upon a federal deployment of DSNS assets.

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Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects:
Title: Trafficking Victim Assistance Program Data.
OMB No.: 0970—NEW.
Description: The Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended, authorizes the Secretary of Health and Human Services to expand benefits and services to foreign nationals in the United States who are victims of severe forms of trafficking in persons. Such benefits and services may include services to assist potential victims of trafficking. (Section 107(b)(1)(B) of the TVPA, 22 U.S.C. 7105(b)(1)(B)).

ORR intends award cooperative agreements in fiscal year 2015 to approximately three organizations that will ensure national coverage. The awarded organization must provide comprehensive case management and referrals to qualified persons, either directly through its own organization or by partnering with other organizations through contracts or both.

Persons qualified for services under this grant are victims of a severe form of trafficking in persons who have received certification from ORR; potential victims of a severe form of trafficking who are actively seeking to achieve ORR certification; and minor dependent children of foreign victims of severe forms of trafficking in persons or potential victims of trafficking.

To help measure each grant project’s performance and the success of the program in assisting participants, and to assist grantees to assess and improve their projects over the course of the project period, ORR proposes to collect information from TVAP grant project participants through the grantees on a monthly, quarterly, or annual basis, including participant demographics (age, sex, and country of origin), type of trafficking experienced (sex, labor, or both), and immigration status during participation.

This information will help ORR assess the project’s performance in assisting victims of trafficking and will better enable TVAP grantees to meet the program objectives and to monitor and evaluate the quality of case management services provided by any subcontractors. ORR will also include aggregate information in reports to Congress to help inform strategies and