DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Public Comment Request; Office for the Advancement of Telehealth Outcome Measures

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects (section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995), the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) announces plans to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR), described below, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Prior to submitting the ICR to OMB, HRSA seeks comments from the public regarding the burden estimate, below, or any other aspect of the ICR.

DATES: Comments on this Information Collection Request must be received no later than October 11, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments to paperwork@hrsa.gov or mail the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer, Room 10–29, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and draft instruments, email paperwork@hrsa.gov or call the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer at (301) 443–1984.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: When submitting comments or requesting information, please include the information request collection title for reference.

Information Collection Request Title: Office for the Advancement of Telehealth Outcome Measures.

OMB No.: 0915–0311—Revision.

Abstract: In order to help carry out its mission, the Office for the Advancement of Telehealth (OAT) created a set of performance measures that grantees can use to evaluate the effectiveness of their services programs and monitor their progress through the use of performance reporting data.

Need and Proposed Use of the Information: As required by the Government Performance and Review Act of 1993 (GPRA), all federal agencies must develop strategic plans describing their overall goal and objectives. The Office for the Advancement of Telehealth (OAT) worked with its grantees to develop performance measures that are used to evaluate and monitor the progress of the grantees. Grantee goals are to: Improve access to needed services; reduce rural practitioner isolation; improve health system productivity and efficiency; and improve patient outcomes. In each of these categories, specific indicators were designed to be reported through a performance monitoring Web site. New measures are being added to the Telehealth Network Grant Program and all measures speak to OAT’s progress toward meeting the goals.

Likely Respondents: Telehealth Network Grantees.

Burden Statement: Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide the information requested. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information; to search data sources; to complete and review a collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this Information Collection Request are summarized in the table below.

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HRSA specifically requests comments on (1) the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency’s functions, (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden, (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Opportunity To Apply for Office on Women’s Health 25th Anniversary Partnership Award, Trailblazer Award, and Emerging Leader Award

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office on Women’s Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 300u, 42 U.S.C. 300u–2, and 42 U.S.C. 237a (§ 3509 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act), notice is given...
that the Office on Women’s Health (OWH) is soliciting award nominations in honor of its 25th anniversary from individuals and organizations for the following three awards:

- **Partnership Award:** The Partnership Award recognizes an outstanding partner organization of OWH. This organization has demonstrated a commitment to improving women’s health and its efforts have resulted in measurable results that increased awareness about OWH, its initiative(s), or observance(s).
- **Trailblazer Award:** The Trailblazer Award recognizes an individual who has paved the way for advancement in women’s health by being an innovator, a visionary, and a changemaker. The recipient of this award could include a researcher, advocate, or policymaker, and could be either a government or non-government employee.
- **Emerging Leader Award:** The Emerging Leader Award recognizes an individual in the early stages of their career who is already making a difference in women’s health. The recipient of this award could include a researcher, advocate, or policymaker, and could be either a government or non-government employee.

**Eligibility for Award**

To be eligible, applicants must meet the following criteria.

- **Partnership Award:**
  - The organization (public sector, private sector, or academic institution):
    - Supported an OWH-led observance or initiative between June 2011–2016.
    - Is not currently funded by OWH.
    - Demonstrated its commitment to making women’s health a priority and has created initiatives or programs outside of its OWH partnership to improve women’s health.
    - Produced measurable results that increased awareness about OWH, its initiative(s), or observance(s).

- **Trailblazer Award:**
  - The candidate (public sector, private sector, or academic institution):
    - Supported or played a role in the advancement of women’s health over the last 25 years. These results should be measurable.
    - Advanced women’s health through research, advocacy, or policy in the United States.
    - Mentored other leaders or individuals and has encouraged them to advance women’s health through their own initiatives.
    - Has exhibited both integrity and a willingness to collaborate with others to progress women’s health.

- **Emerging Leader Award:**
  - The candidate (public sector, private sector, or academic institution):
    - Has supported or played a role in the advancement of women’s health over the last five years (June 2011–June 2016).
    - Is in the first ten years of their career and is implementing innovative strategies in women’s health.
    - Advanced women’s health through research, education, advocacy, or policy in the United States.
    - Has exhibited integrity and a willingness to collaborate with others to progress women’s health.

**Evaluation Criteria:**

OWH will select award recipients based on how they meet the criteria detailed above.

Expressions of interest should outline eligibility in response to the qualifications bulleted above and be no more than two pages in length, single-spaced, and 12 point font.

Dated: August 4, 2016.

Nancy C. Lee,
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Women’s Health Director, Office on Women’s Health.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Interest Rate on Overdue Debts

Section 30.18 of the Department of Health and Human Services’ claims collection regulations (45 CFR part 30) provides that the Secretary shall charge an annual rate of interest, which is determined and fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury after considering private consumer rates of interest on the date that the Department of Health and Human Services becomes entitled to recovery. The rate cannot be lower than the Department of Treasury’s current value of funds rate or the applicable rate determined from the “Schedule of Certified Interest Rates with Range of Maturities” unless the Secretary waives interest in whole or part, or a different rate is prescribed by statute, contract, or repayment agreement. The Secretary of the Treasury may revise this rate quarterly. The Department of Health and Human Services publishes this rate in the Federal Register.

The current rate of 9%/%, as fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury, is certified for the quarter ended June 30, 2016. This rate is based on the Interest Rates for Specific Legislation, “National Health Services Corps Scholarship Program (42 U.S.C. 254o(b)(1)(A))” and “National Research Service Award Program (42 U.S.C. 286(c)(4)(B)).” This interest rate will be applied to overdue debt until the Department of Health and Human Services publishes a revision.