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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Request for Nominations of Candidates To Serve on the Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis (ACET)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is soliciting nominations for membership on ACET. The ACET consists of 10 experts in fields associated with public health, epidemiology, immunology, infectious diseases, pulmonary disease, pediatrics, tuberculosis, microbiology, or preventive health care delivery, who are selected by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). ACET provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary, HHS; the Assistant Secretary of Health; and the Director, CDC, regarding program policies, strategies, objectives, and priorities; address the development and application of new technologies; provide guidance and review on CDC's Tuberculosis prevention research portfolio and program priorities; and review the extent to which progress has been made toward eliminating tuberculosis.

Nominations are being sought for individuals who have expertise and qualifications necessary to contribute to the accomplishments of the committee's objectives. Nominees will be selected based on expertise in the field of epidemiology, immunology, infectious diseases, pulmonary disease, pediatrics, tuberculosis, microbiology, preventive health care delivery, and experts in public health. Federal employees will not be considered for membership. Members may be invited to serve for four-year terms.

The next cycle of selection of candidates will begin in the Fall of 2016 for selection of potential nominees to replace members whose terms will end on June 30, 2018. Selection of members is based on candidates' qualifications to contribute to the accomplishment of ACET objectives.

The U. S. Department of Health and Human Services policy stipulates that committee membership be balanced in

terms of points of view represented, and the committee's function. Appointments shall be made without discrimination on the basis of age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, HIV status, disability, and cultural, religious, or socioeconomic status. Nominees must be U.S. citizens, and cannot be full-time employees of the U.S. Government. Current participation on federal workgroups or prior experience serving on a federal advisory committee does not disqualify a candidate; however, HHS policy is to avoid excessive individual service on advisory committees and multiple committee memberships. Committee members are Special Government Employees, requiring the filing of financial disclosure reports at the beginning and annually during their terms. CDC reviews potential candidates for ACET membership each year, and provides a slate of nominees for consideration to the Secretary of HHS for final selection. HHS notifies selected candidates of their appointment near the start of the term in July 1, 2018, or as soon as the HHS selection process is completed. Note that the need for different expertise varies from year to year and a candidate who is not selected in one year may be reconsidered in a subsequent year.

Candidates should submit the following items. The deadline for receipt of materials for the 2017 term is October 31, 2016:

- Current curriculum vitae, including complete contact information (telephone numbers, mailing address, email address).
- At least one letter of recommendation from person(s) not employed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Candidates may submit letter(s) from current HHS employees if they wish, but at least one letter must be submitted by a person not employed by an HHS agency (e.g., CDC, NIH, FDA, etc.).

The deadline for receipts of all application materials for consideration for term beginning July 1, 2018 is due October 31, 2016 electronically or in writing, and must be postmarked by October 31, 2016.

*Regular, Express or Overnight Mail to:* Margie Scott-Cseh, Committee Management Specialist, NCHHSTP, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road NE., Mailstop: E07, Atlanta, GA 30329

*Electronic submissions may be sent to:* zkr7@cdc.gov.

Telephone and facsimile submissions cannot be accepted. Nominations may be submitted by the candidate or by the person/organization recommending the candidate.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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#### Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The notice for the proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address any of the following: (a) 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; (b) 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; (c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) 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; and (e) Assess information collection costs.

To request additional information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, call (404) 639-7570 or send an email to omb@cdc.gov. Written

comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice should be directed to the Attention: CDC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395-5806. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

**Proposed Project**

*Survey of Musculoskeletal Disorders Prevention Tools/Methods: 10-year Follow-Up—New—National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC),*

*Background and Brief Description*

The mission of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) is to promote safety and health at work for all people through research and prevention. Under Public Law 91-596, sections 20 and 22 (Section 20-22, Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970), NIOSH has the responsibility to conduct research to advance the health and safety of workers. In this capacity, NIOSH proposes to administer a survey of ergonomics professionals as a 10-year follow-up to a survey conducted of U.S. Certified Professional Ergonomists (CPEs) by Dempsey et al. and published in 2005 (A survey of tools and methods used by certified professional ergonomists. *Applied Ergonomics*, 36, 489-503).

The project is planned to extend the original survey in two ways: (1) The sample will be broadened to include international ergonomics practitioners (in Canada, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, and Australia), and, (2) the queried tools and methods have been updated to reflect new and emerging technologies not included in the original survey.

The purpose of the survey will be unchanged—to gather information on the types of basic tools, direct and observational measurement techniques, and software used in the field by ergonomics practitioners to assess workplace risk factors for musculoskeletal disorders and to evaluate workplace interventions.

The motivation for the original 2005 survey was to better understand the types of tools and methods practitioners use, their opinions of these tools, and to potentially gain an understanding of the constraints or preferences that influence this selection. At the time of the 2005 survey there were many tools reported in the literature, but little information on the extent to which these different tools were used by practitioners.

Similarly, there was little published information on users' experiences with these different tools. There has been considerable interest in the findings and the Dempsey et al. (2005) publication has been widely cited. The program

anticipates that a follow-up effort will result in even greater interest as changes in the practice of ergonomics and prevention of soft tissue MSDs can be inferred from comparisons between the two surveys time points.

Since publication of the initial survey findings there has been a proliferation of smart phone/smart device-embedded inertial and acceleration sensors and related "apps" for human motion and activity logging. Little is known about the extent to which ergonomics practitioners are using these newer technologies towards assessing workplace physical activity (and now, workplace inactivity and "sedentarism") and other job demands. Thus, the survey will provide a contemporary perspective on the scope of use of assessment tools and methods by these professionals.

In summary, this study will update information collected and published in 2005 on the methods and tools used by practicing ergonomists. NIOSH expects to complete data collection in 2017. The professionals who will be surveyed are being asked to volunteer their time. Only certified ergonomics professionals from five countries with specific certification credentials will be eligible and invited to participate. The certification organizations are shown below with an approximation of eligible respondents:

Board of Certification in Professional Ergonomics (BCPE) <i>CPE designation</i> .....	U.S .....	853
European CREE—Centre for Registration of European Ergonomists .....	United Kingdom .....	43
Australian Register of Certified Professional Ergonomists .....	Australia .....	20
New Zealand BCNZE—Board for Certification of New Zealand Ergonomists .....	New Zealand .....	15
Canadian College for the Certification of Professional Ergonomists .....	Canada .....	241

The program has assumed an optimistic 80% response rate to estimate the number of respondents at 938 in the estimation of annualized burden hours.

This project will involve the collection of non-sensitive data via web-based survey questionnaire methods. Survey data relate only to respondents' professional practice within the OS&H discipline of ergonomics and prevention

of musculoskeletal disorders. Nonetheless, safeguards will be taken to insure data confidentiality and the dissociation of personally identifying information (PII) from individual questionnaire responses submitted through the web-based survey service. Participants' web-submitted responses will not contain PII in association with their data. Basic demographic

information collected over the web, including years' experience and certification in the ergonomics profession, current occupation, expertise specialization, highest academic degree attained, and field of study are non-sensitive information.

The estimated annual burden is 469 hours.

**ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS**

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hrs)
Individual (Ergonomics Professional) .....	Survey of Tools and Methods .....	938	1	0.5

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**Centers for Disease Control and  
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**Proposed Project**

Emergency Epidemic Investigation Data Collections (OMB Control Number 0920-1011, Expiration 03-31-2017)—Extension — Division of Scientific Education and Professional Development, Center for Surveillance, Education, and Laboratory Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

*Background and Brief Description*

CDC previously conducted Emergency Epidemic Investigations (EEIs) under OMB Control Number 0920-0008. In 2013, CDC received OMB approval (OMB Control Number 0920-1011) for a new OMB generic clearance for a three-year period to collect vital information during EEIs in response to urgent outbreaks or events (*i.e.*, natural, biological, chemical, nuclear, radiological) characterized by undetermined agents, undetermined sources, undetermined transmission, or undetermined risk factors. CDC seeks OMB approval for an extension of this generic clearance (OMB control number 0920-1011) for a three-year period.

Supporting effective emergency epidemic investigations is one of the most important ways that CDC protects the health of the public. CDC is frequently called upon to conduct EEIs at the request of local, state, or international health authorities seeking support to respond to urgent outbreaks or urgent public health-related events. In response to external partner requests, CDC provides necessary epidemiologic support to identify the agents, sources, modes of transmission, or risk factors to effectively implement rapid prevention and control measures to protect the public's health. Data collection is a critical component of the epidemiologic support provided by CDC; data are analyzed to determine the agents,

sources, modes of transmission, or risk factors so that effective prevention and control measures can be implemented. During an unanticipated outbreak or event, immediate action by CDC is necessary to minimize or prevent public harm. The legal justification for EEIs are found in the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 301[241](a)).

Successful investigations are dependent on rapid and flexible data collection that evolves during the investigation and is customized to the unique circumstances of each outbreak or event. Data collection elements will be those necessary to identify the agents, sources, mode of transmission, or risk factors. Examples of potential data collection methods include telephone or face-to-face interview; email, web or other type of electronic questionnaire; paper-and-pencil questionnaire; focus groups; medical record review; laboratory record review; collection of clinical samples; and environmental assessment. Respondents will vary depending on the nature of the outbreak or event; examples of potential respondents include health care professionals, patients, laboratorians, and the general public. Participation in EEIs is voluntary and there are no anticipated costs to respondents other than their time. CDC will use the information gathered during EEIs to rapidly identify and effectively implement measures to minimize or prevent public harm.

CDC projects 60 EEIs in response to outbreaks or events characterized by undetermined agents, undetermined sources, undetermined transmission, or undetermined risk factors annually. The projected average number of respondents is 200 per EEI, for a total of 12,000 respondents. CDC estimates the average burden per response is 0.5 hours and each respondent will be asked to respond once. Therefore, the total estimated annual burden hours are 6,000. These estimates are based on the reported burden for EEIs that have been performed during the previous two years.

OMB approval is requested for three years. Participation is based on previous Emergency Epidemic Investigations. There are no costs to respondents.

**ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS**

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hrs.)
Emergency Epidemic Investigation Participants.	Emergency Epidemic Investigation Data Collection Instruments.	12,000	1	30/60