and biometrics such as fingerprints. In addition, 49 CFR part 1572 requires States to maintain a copy of the driver application for a period of one year. TSA is revising the collection of information to allow for recurrent criminal history vetting. Applicants’ fingerprints and associated information will be provided to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for the purpose of comparing their fingerprints to other fingerprints in the FBI’s Next Generation Identification (NGI) system or its successor systems, including civil, criminal, and latent fingerprint repositories. The FBI may retain applicants’ fingerprints and associated information in NGI after the completion of their application and, while retained, their fingerprints may continue to be compared against other fingerprints submitted to or retained by NGI. TSA will also transmit applicants’ biometrics for enrollment into the Department of Homeland Security Automated Biometrics Identification System (IDENT).

In addition, TSA is revising the collection of information to expand enrollment options and the potential use of biographic and biometric (e.g., fingerprints, iris scans, and/or photo) information. This revision would allow for facilitation of the security threat assessment and future use of the information collected for additional comparability determinations, such as allowing the HME applicant to participate in a program such as the TSA Pre✓® Application Program, TSA’s expedited screening program for air travelers, or obtain a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) without requiring an additional background check.

TSA is currently revising its fee for the HME Threat Assessment Program as well as the fee for comparable security threat assessments in light of changes to the FBI’s fingerprint processing fee and TSA’s costs related to conducting the security threat assessment (STA). The FBI’s fee and STA fee are two out of three segments of the HME Threat Assessment Program’s overall fee. The HME fee contains segments for enrollment, the STA, and FBI fees, most recently $38.00 for vendor enrollments (amount varies by State for State enrollments), $34.00 for the STA of each applicant and $14.50 for the FBI processing each enrollment, respectively.

On February 1, 2015, the FBI reduced its fingerprint-based criminal history record check fee by $1.75 based on recommendations from a required user fee study (81 FR 45535). Section 1572.501(b)(3) states that if the FBI amends its fee for criminal history records checks, TSA will collect the amended FBI fee. By contrast, TSA will increase the STA segment of the standard HME fee in the amount of $3.00. TSA has identified, in accordance with the methodologies described in the 2013 final fee rule, threat assessment service costs related to the STA segment of the standard HME fee that exceed the expected STA segment revenue. The majority of these costs relate to technology infrastructure and operating costs. In addition to increased technology costs, the number of HME applicants has been in decline, leaving fewer applicants from which costs may be recovered. These two factors necessitate an increase in cost recovery in the ongoing operation of the HME program. The enrollment segment of the HME Threat Assessment Program’s overall fee will remain at $38.00 for enrollments conducted by TSA’s vendor. As a result of the FBI’s fee decreases ($4.50 over the FBI’s past two fee changes) and the increase in the STA segment of the standard HME fee ($3.00), the overall HME standard enrollment fee ($86.50) for applicants enrolled by TSA’s vendor will be reduced by $1.50 to the new fee of $85.00 ($10.00 + $37.00 + $38.00), effective upon publication of TSA’s Notice of Fee Adjustment. For applicants who enroll through a State in States that choose not to use TSA’s enrollment vendor, the revised fees for the FBI and STA segments of the overall fee for State enrollments will be the same as for enrollments conducted by TSA’s vendor ($10.00 and $37.00, respectively); however, because each State that conducts its own enrollments charges its own fee (over which TSA has no control) TSA cannot provide a revised overall enrollment fee for State enrollments.

TSA will also decrease the amount of the STA segment of the reduced HME fee by $1.00, from $29.00 to $28.00, which applies to both vendor and state enrollment methods. TSA is decreasing this segment of the reduced HME fee because TSA has identified, in accordance with the methodologies described in the 2013 final fee rule, threat assessment service revenue related to the STA segment of the reduced fee that exceeds the expected STA segment costs. Thus, the STA enrollment fee ($76.00) will be reduced to the new fee of $66.00 for vendor enrollments, effective upon publication of TSA’s Notice of Fee Adjustment. Again, because each state that conducts its own enrollments charges its own fee for its enrollment segment, it is not possible to give a revised overall reduced HME fee for state enrollments.

Number of Respondents: 268,295. Estimated Annual Burden Hours: An estimated 524,746 hours annually.

Christina A. Walsh,
TSA Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, Office of Information Technology.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Notice No. FR–5915–N–14]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Supportive Services Demonstration Resident Assessment Form

AGENCY: Office of Policy Development and Research, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comments from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

DATES: Comments Due Date: March 10, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Anna P. Guido, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410–5000; telephone 202–402–5534 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at Anna.P.Guido@hud.gov for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anna P. Guido, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; email...
Anna P. Guido at Anna.P.Guido@hud.gov or telephone 202–402–5535 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Guido.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in Section A.

A. Overview of Information Collection

Title of Information Collection: Supportive Services Demonstration Resident Assessment Form.

OMB Approval Number: Pending.

Type of Request: New.

Form Number: No forms.

Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use: HUD assists a large vulnerable senior population in its Section 202 and other elderly-designated properties. By virtue of their advanced ages, low-incomes and other demographic characteristics, residents in these communities have complex social, health and functional situations. The quality affordable housing provided by HUD provides a fundamental base for these individuals to age safely in their community. With housing as a key social determinant of health, HUD wishes to leverage its properties as a platform for the coordination and delivery of services to better address the interdependent health and supportive service needs of its older residents. The Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 Consolidated Appropriations Act gave HUD the authority to develop a demonstration to test a model of housing and supportive services for low-income elderly residents in HUD-assisted housing. In FY 2015, HUD announced the availability of a funding opportunity under the Supportive Services Demonstration that will provide grants to property owners to participate in the demonstration. The purpose of this demonstration is to test a model of housing and supportive services with the potential to delay nursing home care for low-income elderly residents in HUD-assisted housing. HUD aims to better manage residents’ health, decrease emergency room and hospital utilization, and maintain residents’ independence in their homes for a longer period of time, thus delaying or preventing transfers to a higher level of care.

Conducting this research will require the Implementation Team (The Lewin Group and our partners from Leading Age and the National Center for Healthy Aging, under HUD contract HHSP23337002T) to collect self-reported information from demonstration participants. The Implementation Team will leverage existing validated tools combined together in one comprehensive Resident Needs Assessment. The Resident Needs Assessment requests information on demographics, health status and ability to complete Activities of Daily Living (ADLs), and Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADLs), as well as other social and medical service information.

The Resident Needs Assessment will occur face-to-face in a private setting administered by trained enhanced service coordinators or wellness nurses. The assessment interview is expected to last an average of 90 minutes.

Respondents: This information collection will affect approximately 4,000 individuals residing in units of 40 funded demonstration sites (approximately 100 residents per property; 40 properties in total). Respondents are expected to be low-income seniors who currently reside in HUD-assisted multi-family properties. All respondents will be presented with an IRB approved informed consent form prior to participation in the demonstration. In their consent, individuals agree to the collection of data about their health and wellness. Upon consent, respondents will be requested to complete a Resident Needs Assessment within 45 days of enrollment in the demonstration. Information will be collected in a secure web-based platform that meets all required federal regulations to track general health and service use information. Information will be attributed to individuals by name. Names and information collected in a project-specific web-based platform will link to HUD’s administrative data, which HUD can be linked to Medicare and possibly Medicaid data for program evaluation purposes. All collected information will be self-reported and will inform the development of individualized healthy aging plans and property-wide health education/

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B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

(1) 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) The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUB encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.


Matthew Ammon,
General Deputy, Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Notice of Availability of Polar Bear Conservation Management Plan

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the availability of our Polar Bear Conservation Management Plan (Polar Bear Plan). The polar bear is listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA), and is also considered “depleted” under the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA). The Polar Bear Plan identifies objective, measurable ESA recovery criteria, site-specific recovery actions, as well as time and cost estimates. It also serves as an MMPA conservation plan.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hilary Cooley, Polar Bear Lead, Marine Mammals Management, by telephone at 907–786–3800; by U.S. mail at Marine Mammals Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1011 East Tudor Road, MS–341, Anchorage, AK 99503; or by email at Hilary_cooley@fws.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: We announce the availability of our Polar Bear Conservation Management Plan (Polar Bear Plan). The polar bear (Ursus maritimus) is listed throughout its range as threatened under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq., ESA). Because of its threatened status under the ESA, the species is also considered “depleted” under the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq., MMPA). As required under the ESA, we have identified recovery criteria and site-specific recovery actions with estimations of the time and costs to carry out those actions. The Polar Bear Plan also serves as a conservation plan under section 115(b) of the MMPA with a goal of conserving and restoring polar bears to their optimum sustainable population level, and will contribute to our international polar bear conservation efforts under the 1973 Agreement on the Conservation of Polar Bears (T.I.A.S. No. 8409).

Background

We listed the polar bear as threatened under the ESA on May 15, 2008 (73 FR 28212). For a description of the taxonomy, distribution, status, breeding biology, and habitat, and a summary of factors affecting the species, please see Appendix A of the Polar Bear Plan.

Recovery of endangered or threatened animals and plants is a primary goal of our endangered species program and the ESA. To help guide the recovery effort, we prepare recovery plans for most listed species native to the United States. Further, the ESA requires that we develop recovery plans for listed species, unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species, and that we provide public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment during recovery plan development. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for the conservation and survival of the species, establish criteria for delisting listed species, and estimate time and cost for implementing needed recovery measures.

MMPA Conservation Plans have the purpose of conserving and restoring a species or stock to its optimum sustainable population. The MMPA further provides that Conservation Plans shall be modeled on ESA recovery plans. Therefore, the Polar Bear Plan provides recommended management actions for the survival and recovery of the species and to conserve and restore the species to its optimum sustainable population.