

Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) Office of Head Start (OHS) is requesting a 3-year extension of the Head Start Program Information Report (PIR), Monthly Enrollment reporting instrument, and Center Locations and Contacts instrument (Office of Management and Budget (OMB) #0970-0427, expiration June 30, 2025). OHS has not made any updates to these instruments.

DATES: *Comments due August 8, 2025.* OMB must decide about the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. You can also obtain copies of the proposed collection of information by emailing infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. Identify all emailed requests by the title of the information collection.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description: OHS is requesting an extension, without changes, of the Head Start PIR information collection authority. The following instruments are included in this information collection: (1) PIR, (2) Monthly Enrollment, and (3)

Center Locations and Contacts. The PIR is used for federal program management purposes including to promote decision-making using data, is a major source of information used to respond to Congressional and public inquiries about Head Start programs and is used often by researchers. Monthly enrollment reporting supports oversight activities related to promoting full enrollment of programs. Center locations and contact reporting is used to help parents locate a program in their community. In general, these information collections together create key administrative datasets to support administration of the program. There are no updates to the current OMB-approved PIR.

Respondents: Head Start Grant Recipients.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Annual number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Annual burden hours
Head Start PIR	1,600	2.25	1	3,600
Monthly Enrollment	1,600	27	0.05	2,160
Center Locations and Contacts	1,600	15	0.25	6,000

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 11,760.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 9801 *et seq.*

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ACF/OPRE Certifying Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

[OMB #: 0970-0433]

Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Plan for Foster Care and Adoption Assistance—Title IV-E

AGENCY: Children’s Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is requesting a 3-year extension and revisions to the Plan for Foster Care and Adoption Assistance—Title IV-E, (OMB#: 0970-0433, expiration July 31,

2025). This plan also incorporates the plan requirements for the optional guardianship assistance, Title IV-E prevention services and the Title IV-E kinship navigator programs.

DATES: *Comments due August 8, 2025.* In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ACF is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above.

ADDRESSES: You can obtain copies of the proposed collection of information and submit comments by emailing infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. Identify all requests by the title of the information collection.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description: A title IV-E plan is required by section 471, part IV-E of the Social Security Act (the Act) for each public child welfare agency requesting federal funding under the Act for foster care and adoption assistance, as well as for the optional guardianship assistance, kinship navigator and prevention services programs. Section 479B of the Act provides for an Indian tribe, tribal organization or tribal consortium (tribe) to operate a title IV-E program in the same manner as a state with minimal exceptions. The tribe must have an approved title IV-E Plan.

The title IV-E plan provides assurances the programs will be administered in conformity with the specific requirements stipulated in title IV-E. The plan must include all applicable state or tribal statutory, regulatory, or policy references and citations for each requirement as well as supporting documentation. A title IV-E agency may use the pre-print format prepared by the Children’s Bureau or a different format, on the condition that the format used includes all the title IV-E plan requirements of the law.

Section A of the title IV-E plan pre-print addresses requirements for the Foster Care, Adoption Assistance and optional Guardianship Assistance and Kinship Navigator programs. For these programs, the plan submission remains in effect until amendments are required due either to changes in federal requirements or agency operations.

Section B of the title IV-E plan pre-print addresses requirements for the Prevention Services program. This program requires a plan submission every five years, and amendments as needed.

Both sections of the title IV-E preprint include minor revisions to reflect recent changes in statutory, regulatory and policy requirements or options and to remove outdated

information. All revisions in policy and requirements have been communicated to title IV–E agencies through prior policy issuances.

Revisions in Section A include:

- Updates to provisions relating to children missing from foster care, enacted through Public Law 117–348, the Trafficking Victims Prevention and Protection Reauthorization Act of 2022; and

- Updates to requirements and flexibilities for relative and kin foster care homes, including allowing separate licensing standards for relative and kin foster homes

Revisions in Section B include:

- A streamlined approach for title IV–E agencies to request renewal of a previously approved 5-year plan; and

- Revisions reflecting additional flexibilities in program requirements for tribes participating in the program through an agreement with another title IV–E agency.

Respondents: State, territorial and tribal title IV–E agencies.

Annual Burden Estimates

Respondents complete and submit a IV–E plan or plan amendment as needed for the foster care, adoption assistance and guardianship assistance programs; and a IV–E plan attachment as needed

for the kinship navigator program. Respondents must complete and submit the plan for the prevention program every five years, and amendments as needed. Burden estimates below reflect an estimated total burden for a 3-year period divided by three to provide an annual estimate. ACF estimates that over the 3-year period 54 respondents will submit a new or amended title IV–E plan for the foster care, adoption assistance, and guardianship assistance programs; 48 respondents will submit new or amended prevention plans; and 15 respondents will submit new or amended title IV–E kinship navigator plan attachments.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Total number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours	Annual burden hours
Title IV–E Plan	54	1	16	864	288
Title IV–E prevention services plan	48	1	5	240	80
Attachment to Title IV–E plan for Kinship Navigator Program	15	1	1	15	5
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours					373

Comments: The Department specifically requests comments on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 30 days of this publication.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 5106(b)(5); 42 U.S.C. 5113(b)(4); 42 U.S.C. 629h.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

[OMB #: 0970–0166]

Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; National Directory of New Hires

AGENCY: Office of Child Support Enforcement, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), is requesting the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the National Directory of New Hires (NDNH), with minor changes, for an additional 3 years. The current OMB approval expires July 31, 2025.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description: The NDNH is a federally mandated repository of employment and wage information. The information maintained in the NDNH is collected electronically and used for authorized purposes. State child support agencies use the NDNH information to locate a parent living or working in a different state and to take appropriate interstate actions to establish, modify, or enforce a child support order. Specific state and federal agencies also use NDNH information for authorized purposes to help administer certain programs, prevent overpayments, detect fraud, assess benefits, and recover funds, as provided under 42 U.S.C. 653(i)(1). OCSE changed the unconventional date format to a standard format in the NDNH record specifications and changed the Multistate Employer Registration Form to revise language,