

7. *Explanation of why the committee/subcommittee is essential to the conduct of agency business:*

Reasons for Continuation:

The committee plays a critical role in enabling FDA to meet the requirements of sections 505(n)(1) and (s)(1) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act by providing expert scientific advice and recommendations. Without the Cardiovascular and Renal Drugs Advisory Committee, FDA's ability to obtain external expert input on issues related to the approval and regulation of the safety and effectiveness of marketed and investigational human drug products for use in the practice of cardiology and nephrology would be significantly limited.

In conclusion, this public interest determination documents that renewing the committee is in the public interest, essential to the conduct of agency business, and that the information to be obtained is not already available through another advisory committee or source within the Federal Government.

This notice is issued under the Federal Advisory Committee Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 1001 *et seq.*). For general information related to FDA advisory committees, please visit us at <http://www.fda.gov/AdvisoryCommittees/default.htm>.

Grace R. Graham,

Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Legislation, and International Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Public Comment Request; Black Lung Clinics Program Performance Measures

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, HRSA submitted an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. Comments submitted during the first public review of this ICR will be provided to OMB.

OMB will accept further comments from the public during the review and approval period. OMB may act on HRSA's ICR only after the 30-day comment period for this notice has closed.

DATES: Comments on this ICR should be received no later than September 21, 2026.

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 Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the clearance requests submitted to OMB for review, email Samantha Miller, the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer, at paperwork@hrsa.gov or call (301) 443-9094.

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

Information Collection Request Title: Black Lung Clinics Program Performance Measures, OMB No. 0915-0292—Revision.

Abstract: The Black Lung Clinics Program (BLCP) is authorized under Sec. 427(a) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 937(a)) and accompanying regulations (42 CFR part 55a). The purpose of the BLCP is to reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with occupationally related coal mine dust lung disease through the screening, diagnosis, and treatment of active, inactive, retired, and/or disabled coal miners. HRSA currently collects information about BLCP awards using an OMB-approved set of performance measures and seeks to revise the approved collection. The proposed changes are a result of keeping this instrument relevant, responsive to the BLCP needs and to improve clarity and ease of reporting for respondents.

A 60-day notice published in the **Federal Register** on March 31, 2026, vol. 91, No. 61; pp. 16008–16009. There were no public comments.

Need and Proposed Use of the Information: HRSA has revised the performance measures which BLCP awardees will submit to HRSA on an annual basis. The purpose of the revised

data collection is to assess BLCP awardees' progress toward meeting BLCP program goals (as stated in the authorizing statute) and how well each awardee is meeting the needs of these miners in their communities. The proposed changes include deleting five questions, adding three new questions, and changing three existing questions. These updates were made to streamline data collection and improve usability. Clinical diagnosis fields will be consolidated into a single datapoint, replacing separate fields for primary, secondary, and other diagnoses. The difference between these categories was often subjective, limiting HRSA's ability to use the data to monitor for black lung rates. Filling out three separate questions about diagnoses was also burdensome for clinics. Additionally, COVID-related data fields are removed due to decreased relevance, reducing the reporting burden on awardees. A new cardiology diagnosis field is added to better capture conditions closely linked to pulmonary disease and assist HRSA in tracking population needs and making relevant programmatic updates based on those needs. Benefits counseling measures are also enhanced to collect filing dates and case status details. This update will help HRSA track case timelines, which translates to better monitoring of implementation of benefits counseling services. These changes strengthen HRSA's monitoring and assessment of the impact of the BLCP program and ensure that funds are effectively used to provide services that meet the target population's needs. There is no change in the burden hours.

Likely Respondents: Respondents will be the BLCP award recipients.

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 the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

TOTAL ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total responses	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden hours
Black Lung Clinics Program Performance Measures	15	1	15	7	105
Total	15	1	15	7	105

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BILLING CODE 4165-15-P**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****National Institutes of Health****Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings**

Pursuant to section 1009 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and/or contract proposals and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications and/or contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Contracts: NIH Tetramer Core Facility.

Date: September 18, 2026.

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Address: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Meeting Format: Virtual Meeting.

Contact Person: Frank S. De Silva, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-451-1120, fdesilva@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Healthcare Delivery and Methodologies Integrated Review Group; Clinical Data Management and Analysis Study Section.

Date: September 23-24, 2026.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Address: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Meeting Format: Virtual Meeting.

Contact Person: Shivakumar V. Chittari, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-827-8261, chittari.shivakumar@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; RFA-DC-25-005: In Vivo High-Resolution Imaging for Inner Ear Visualization.

Date: September 24, 2026.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Address: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Meeting Format: Virtual Meeting.

Contact Person: Debanjan Goswami, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Office 810-G, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-451-1587, debanjan.goswami@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Health Services Research in Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders.

Date: September 28-29, 2026.

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Address: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Meeting Format: Virtual Meeting.

Contact Person: Jeanne Marie McCaffery, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-594-3854, jeanne.mccaffery@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Genes, Genomes, and Genetics Integrated Review Group; Maximizing Investigators' Research Award—F Study Section.

Date: September 29-30, 2026.

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Address: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Meeting Format: Virtual Meeting.

Contact Person: Brian Paul Chadwick, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-594-3586, chadwickbp@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Genes, Genomes, and Genetics Integrated Review Group;

Genomics, Computational Biology and Technology Study Section Genomics, Computational Biology and Technology.

Date: October 8-9, 2026.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Address: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Meeting Format: Virtual Meeting.

Contact Person: Methode Bacanamwo, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 2200, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-827-7088, methode.bacanawmo@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; PAR Panel: Academic Industrial Partnerships for Translation of Medical Technologies.

Date: October 8-9, 2026.

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Address: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Meeting Format: Virtual Meeting.

Contact Person: Weihua Luo, MD, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5114, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1170, luow@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Surgical Sciences, Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering Integrated Review Group; Bioengineering, Technology and Surgical Sciences Study Section.

Date: October 13-14, 2026.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Address: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Meeting Format: Virtual Meeting.

Contact Person: Khalid Masood, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5120, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-2392, masoodk@csr.nih.gov.

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