

7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

Demonstration Title/State: Wisconsin.

Description: Wisconsin proposes to limit the amount of exempt funds that may be set aside as burial and related expenses for SSI-related Medicaid beneficiaries.

Date Received: March 9, 1994.

State Contact: Jean Sheil, Division of Economic Support, Wisconsin Department of Health and Social Services, 1 West Wilson Street, Room 650, P.O. Box 7850, Madison, WI 53707, (608) 266-0613.

Federal Project Officer: J. Donald Sherwood, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, Mail Stop C3-16-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850.

Demonstration Title/State: Wisconsin Partnership Program—Wisconsin.

Description: Wisconsin has submitted Medicare section 222 demonstration and Medicaid section 1115 waiver requests to implement the "Wisconsin Partnership Program" in specific counties of the State. This program will test two innovative models of care, one for frail elderly and one for persons with disabilities, utilizing a multi-disciplinary team to manage care. The team is to include the beneficiary, a nurse practitioner, the beneficiary's choice of primary care physician, and a social worker or independent living coordinator. Consumer choice of care, settings and the manner of service delivery is a key component of the program. The demonstration will test the use of consumer-defined quality indicators to measure and improve the quality of service provided to people who are elderly and people with disabilities.

Date Received: February 28, 1996.

State Contact: Mary Rowin, State of Wisconsin, Department of Health and Social Services, 1 West Wilson Street, P.O. Box 7850, Madison, WI 53707, (608) 261-8885.

Federal Contact: William Clark, Health Care Financing Administration,

Office of Research and Demonstrations, Office of Beneficiary and Program Research and Demonstrations, Mail Stop C3-21-06, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850.

3. Approved, Disapproved, and Withdrawn Proposals

There were no proposals approved, disapproved, or withdrawn during the month of January.

IV. Requests for Copies of a Proposal

Requests for copies of a specific Medicaid proposal should be made to the State contact listed for the specific proposal. If further help or information is needed, inquiries should be directed to HCFA at the address above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program, No. 93.779; Health Financing Research, Demonstrations, and Experiments)

Dated: February 28, 1997.

Barbara Cooper,

Acting Director, Office of Research and Demonstrations.

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Indian Health Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Evaluation of the IHS-Supported Alcohol and Substance Abuse Treatment Programs for American Indian/Alaska Native Women

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Indian Health Service (IHS) is publishing a summary of a proposed project to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval.

Proposed Collection

Title: Evaluation of the IHS-Supported Alcohol and Substance Abuse Treatment Program for American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) women.
Type of Information Collection Request: New. *Need and Use of the Information*

Collection: Section 703, "Indian Women Treatment Programs" of Public Law 102-573, the *Indian Health Care Amendments of 1992*, (the act) authorize the IHS to develop and implement a comprehensive alcohol and substance abuse (A/SA) program that specifically addresses the cultural, historical, social, and child care needs of AI/AN women. Section 801 of these Amendments requires a report on the progress made in meeting the objectives of the Act, a review of programs established or assisted pursuant to the Act, and an assessment of such programs. Support Services International, Inc. (SSI) an Indian-owned consulting firm, will develop the data collection instruments and conduct the study. The information collected will be used to assess and improve the effectiveness of the IHS-supported A/SA treatment program.

Data will be collected from a sample of AI/AN women who use the services provided by the IHS-supported A/SA treatment programs, and from a sample of treatment program staff. Findings from the study will be used to determine: (1) what works, what does not work, and why; (2) what resources are required for successful A/SA treatment for AI/AN women; (3) what factors help or hinder women from maintaining sobriety; (4) how many women achieve success (3-, 6-, and 12-months after admission into A/SA treatment); (5) what are the characteristics, life conditions, and service needs of the women who use the treatment programs, (6) what are the common strengths and problems of the treatment programs, and what are recommendations for improvement. The study is expected to be completed in FY 1998. *Affected Public:* Individuals.

See Table 1 below for Types of Data Collection Instruments, Estimated Number of Respondents, Number of Responses per Respondent, Average Burden Hour per Response, and Total Annual Burden Hour.

TABLE 1.

| Data collection instrument | Estimated number of respondents | Responses per respondent | Average burden hour per response* | Total annual burden hours |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Project director | 24 | 1 | 0.75 hr (45 minutes) | 18.0 |
| Project staff | 216 | 1 | 0.50 hr (30 minutes) | 108.0 |
| Client intake | 550 | 1 | 0.50 hr (30 minutes) | 275.0 |
| Client history | 550 | 1 | 1.00 hr (60 minutes) | 550.0 |
| Client discharge | 523 | 1 | 0.50 hr (30 minutes) | 261.5 |
| Client 3-month follow-up | 467 | 1 | 0.42 hr (25 minutes) | 196.1 |
| Client 6-month follow-up | 440 | 1 | 0.50 hr (30 minutes) | 220.0 |
| Client 12-month follow-up | 412 | 1 | 0.42 hr (25 minutes) | 173.4 |

TABLE 1.—Continued

| Data collection instrument | Estimated number of respondents | Responses per respondent | Average burden hour per response* | Total annual burden hours |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Total | 790 | | | 1,802.0 |

*For ease of understanding, burden hours are also provided in actual minutes.

There are no Capital Costs, Operating Costs and/or Maintenance Costs to report for this information collection.

Request for Comments

Your written comments and/or suggestions are invited on one or more of the following points: (a) whether the information collection activity is necessary to carry out an agency function and whether the IHS processes the information collected in a useful and timely fashion; (b) the accuracy of the public burden estimate (this is the amount of time needed for individual respondents to provide the requested information) and the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (d) ways to minimize the public burden through the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Send Comments and Requests for Further Information: Send your written comments and requests for more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instructions to: Mr. Lance Hodahkwon, Sr., IHS Reports Clearance Officer, 12300 Twinbrook Parkway, Suite 450, Rockville, MD 20852-1601, or call non-toll free (301) 443-0461 fax (301) 443-1522, or send your E-mail requests, comments, and return address to: lhodahkw@smtp.ihs.gov.

Comment Due Date: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect of received on or before May 30, 1997.

Dated: February 10, 1997.

Michael H. Trujillo,

Assistant Surgeon General Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*).

Permit No. 796284

Applicant: Christopher Rogers, Sacramento, California.

The applicant requests an amendment of his permit to take (harass by survey) the California freshwater shrimp (*Syncaris pacifica*) in Marin, Napa, Sonoma, Mendocino, Lake, and Humboldt Counties, California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 826370

Applicant: Dr. Thomas Dowling, Tempe, Arizona.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by capture and release; collect tissue samples) the White River spinedace (*Lepidomeda albibvallis*) at the Kirch Wildlife Management Area, Nevada in conjunction with genetic research for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 797999

Applicant: Merkel and Associates, Inc., San Diego, California.

The applicant requests an amendment of his permit to take (harass by survey, capture and release, collect and sacrifice voucher specimens) the Riverside fairy shrimp (*Streptocephalus woottoni*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys in vernal pools in San Diego, Orange, Riverside, and Los Angeles Counties, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 781084

Applicant: Anita Hayworth, Encinitas, California.

The applicant requests an amendment of her permit to take (harass by survey, capture and release, collect and sacrifice voucher specimens) the Riverside fairy shrimp (*Streptocephalus woottoni*) and San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) in conjunction with

presence or absence surveys in vernal pools throughout the species range in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 826197

Applicant: Terrance Healy, Redding, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey) the Shasta (=placid) crayfish (*Pacifastacus fortis*) while conducting presence and absence surveys, and controlling co-occurring crustaceans in Shasta County, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 826198

Applicant: Neil Manji, Redding, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey) the Shasta (=placid) crayfish (*Pacifastacus fortis*) while conducting presence and absence surveys, and controlling co-occurring crustaceans in Shasta County, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 826602

Applicant: John Axtel, Minden, Nevada.

The applicant requests a permit to purchase, in interstate commerce, several pairs of captive-bred masked bobwhite quail (*Colinus virginianus*) from Jim Young of Fairhope, Alaska for the purpose of enhancing its propagation and survival.

Permit No. 777965

Applicant: LSA Associates, Inc., Irvine, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) in southern California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 826506

Applicant: EA Engineering, Science & Technology, Inc., Lafayette, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey, locate and monitor nests) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) in San Bernardino County, California in