

OSHA, PWBA, or VETS, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10234, Washington, DC 20503 ((202) 395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

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whether the information will have practical utility;

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technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Agency:* Bureau of Labor Statistics.  
*Title:* National Compensation Survey.  
*OMB Number:* 1220-0164.  
*Frequency:* Quarterly; annually.  
*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.  
*Number of Respondents:* 40,116.

Forms	Total respondents	Frequency	Total annual responses	Average minutes per response	Average time for predominant form use	Total annual burden
Earnings Initiation (NCS 99-1) .....	5,640	Annual or ..... quarterly .....	6,204	76	82	7,821
Earnings Update (NCS 99-2) .....	24,106	Annual or ..... quarterly .....	54,368	19	20	17,477
Benefits Initiation <sup>1</sup> (NCS 99-3) .....	2,240	Annual or ..... quarterly .....	2,593	156	180	6,748
Benefits Update (NCS 99-4) .....	10,686	Annual or ..... quarterly .....	37,807	20	20	12,464
Informed Consent (NCS 99-5) .....	(2)	(3) .....	(3)	(4)	(4)	(4)
Collection Not Tied to a Specific Form.	10,370	Annual .....	10,370	56	82	9,752
Total .....	53,041	.....	111,342	.....	.....	54,262

<sup>1</sup> Form 3038D will continue to be used until the NCS data capture system is completed at the end of FY 2000.

<sup>2</sup> Unknown; dependent upon number of respondents who elect to have third parties provide data.

<sup>3</sup> Unknown.

<sup>4</sup> Negligible.

**Note:** All figures are based on a three-year average. The total respondents and total responses are asked to give data that will be used on several forms.

*Total Annualized capital/startup costs:* \$0.

*Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services):* \$0.

**Description:** The National Compensation Survey integrates three BLS programs: The Occupational Compensation Survey Program, the Employment Cost Index, and the Employee Benefits Survey. Data are collected from both the private non-farm economy and State and local governments. Data produced from this survey are critical in determining pay increases for Federal workers; in determining monetary policy; and for use by compensation administrators and researchers in the private sector.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

August 27, 1999.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of each individual ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor, Departmental Clearance Officer, Ira Mills ((202) 219-5096 ext. 143) or by E-Mail to Mills-Ira@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for BLS, DM, ESA, ETA, MSHA, OSHA, PWBA, or VETS, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ((202) 3965-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

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- 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.

*Agency:* Employment Standards Administration.

*Title:* Certification of Medical Necessity.

*OMB Number:* 1215-0113.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions.

*Number of Respondents:* 9,000.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 20-40 minutes.

*Total Burden Hours:* 3,600.

*Total Annualized capital/startup costs:* \$0.

*Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.*

*Description:* The CM-893, Certificate of Medical Necessity, is completed by the miner's doctor and is used by DCMWC to determine if the miner meets the specific impairment standards to qualify for durable medical equipment, home nursing care and/or pulmonary rehabilitation.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

#### **Job Training Partnership Act, Section 402 Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Program and Workforce Investment Act, Sections 127 and 167 Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Program**

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of Funds and Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) for Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker (MSFW) Youth Program under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA).

**SUMMARY:** All information required to submit a grant application is contained in this announcement. The U.S. Department of Labor (the Department), Employment and Training Administration (ETA), announces the availability of funds as authorized in Section 127 (b)(1)(A)(iii) of the Workforce Investment Act, to provide MSFW youth workforce investment activities.

This notice provides the information and the process that eligible entities must use to apply for these MSFW youth funds and how grantees will be selected for the two-year designation period. It is anticipated that up to \$10,000,000 will be available for the first grant year (commencing during the month of November 1999) for funding approximately 12 to 20 projects covered by this Solicitation.

The Department intends to provide non-competitive funding for the succeeding one-year period (FY 2001) for grantees who perform satisfactorily during FY 2000, subject to availability of federal funds. In accordance with WIA Section 167(c)(4)(B), the Department will establish criteria for making a determination of satisfactory performance upon which to base the

non-competitive funding for the second one-year period. The Department will advise the grantees of its determination and will include the criteria to be used for determining satisfactory performance.

**DATES:** The closing date for receipt of proposals is October 15, 1999 at 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). No exceptions to the mailing and hand-delivery conditions set forth in this notice will be granted. Applications that do not meet the conditions set forth in this notice will not be considered.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications must be mailed or hand-delivered to: Ms. Lorraine Saunders; U.S. Department of Labor; Employment and Training Administration; Division of Federal Assistance; 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room S-4203; Washington, D.C. 20210. Reference: SGA/DFA-99-020.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Lorraine Saunders at (202) 219-8702, Ext. 145 (this is not a toll-free number).

### **Part I. Background**

#### *Introduction*

The proposals solicited must consist of a two-year program strategy consisting of five sections covering the applicant's understanding of the problems of migrant and seasonal farmworker youth (Section 1); familiarity with the area to be served and capacity to work within the existing service environment (Section 2); description of planned program activities and services (Section 3); capacity to administer effectively a workforce investment program for MSFW youth (Section 4); and administrative and management capability (Section 5). The statement of programmatic experience must reflect the applicant's capacity to administer effectively a diversified program of workforce investment activities and related assistance (an employability development program under JTPA) for eligible migrant and seasonal farmworker youth.

For rating purposes, each section is assigned a range of possible points, and the sum of the maximum possible points for all five sections totals 100. The most heavily weighted section is Section 3 which covers the perceived effectiveness of the proposed MSFW youth workforce activities. The applicant's proposal for Section III should be a description of an operational plan that is appropriate to the conditions described by the proposer in Section 1.

### *Background*

The purpose of WIA is to provide workforce investment activities, through statewide and local workforce investment systems, that increase the employment, employment retention, participant earnings, and increase occupational skill attainment by participants. As set forth in 20 CFR 669.600 (published at 64 Fed. Reg. 18750 (Apr. 15, 1999)), the purpose of the MSFW youth program is to provide an effective and comprehensive array of educational opportunities, employment skills, and life enhancement activities to at-risk and out-of-school MSFW youth that lead to success in school, economic stability and development into productive members of society.

WIA, Section 167, 29 U.S.C. 2912, and as defined in the Interim Final Regulations, provides for eligible entities, selected through a Federal competitive grants or contracts process, to deliver a diversified program of workforce investment activities, and related assistance to eligible migrant and seasonal farmworker youth who are members of families that suffer chronic seasonal unemployment and underemployment in the agriculture industry. Regulations promulgated by the Department to implement the provisions of Section 167 are set forth in 20 CFR Part 669 (published at 64 Fed. Reg. 18662, 18746 (Apr. 15, 1999)). These programs will:

- (1) Strengthen the ability of eligible farmworkers and their dependents to obtain or retain unsubsidized employment, or stabilize their unsubsidized employment; and
- (2) Provide related assistance and supportive services, integrated and coordinated with other appropriate services.

The portion of the regulations that specifically pertain to the MSFW youth program are set forth in Subpart E at 20 CFR 669.600 et. seq. (64 Fed. Reg. 18750 (Apr. 15, 1999)).

In addition, migrant and seasonal farmworker programs are subject to all applicable provisions of the Interim Final WIA Regulations, 29 CFR Parts 93 (New Restrictions on Lobbying), 96 (Audit Requirements), and 98 (Debarment, Suspension and Drug-free Workplace requirements) and the Department's nondiscrimination regulations implementing Section 188. Should the regulations at Part 669 conflict with regulations elsewhere in 20 CFR, the regulations at Part 669 will control. Further, should any instructions in this notice conflict with WIA Interim Final Rules, WIA regulations will control. Applicants