

Administration for Children and Families authorities.

3. I hereby affirm and ratify any actions taken by the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families, or any other Administration for Children and Families officials, which, in effect, involved the exercise of this authority prior to the effective date of this delegation.

Effect on Existing Delegations

This delegation supersedes the memorandum dated August 20, 1991, "Delegation of Authority for the Developmental Disabilities Program," which was published at 56 FR 42332–42354, dated August 27, 1991.

Effective Date

This delegation is effective immediately.

Dated: February 9, 2004.

Tommy G. Thompson,

Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Delegation of Authority

Notice is hereby given that I have delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families, with the authority to redelegate to the Commissioner, Administration on Developmental Disabilities, which may be further redelegated, the following authority vested in the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Authority Delegated

Authority to administer Title II, Subtitle D, Parts 2 and 5 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002, Pub. L. 107–252, 116 Stat 1666, 1698–1699, 1702–1703 (2002), 42 U.S.C. 15421–15425, 15461–15462, and as amended, hereafter.

Limitations

1. This delegation shall be exercised under the Department's existing delegation and policy on regulations.

2. This delegation shall be exercised under financial and administrative requirements applicable to all Administration for Children and Families authorities.

3. I hereby affirm and ratify any actions taken by the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families, or any other

Administration for Children and Families officials, which, in effect, involved the exercise of this authority prior to the effective date of this delegation.

Effective Date

This delegation is effective immediately.

Dated: February 9, 2004.

Tommy G. Thompson,

Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 2003N–0045]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Health and Diet Survey—2004 Supplement

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on a voluntary consumer survey to gauge consumer understanding of diet-disease relationships, particularly those related to saturated fats, trans fatty acids, and omega-3 fatty acids, and consumer attitudes toward diet, health, and physical activity.

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by April 19, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to: <http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments>. Submit written comments on the collection of information to the Division of Dockets Management (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. All comments should be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Peggy Robbins, Office of Management Programs (HFA–250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. "Collection of Information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, FDA is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

With respect to the following collection of information, FDA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FDA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FDA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (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 respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

Health and Diet Survey—2004 Supplement

The authority for FDA to collect the information derives from the FDA Commissioner's authority, as specified in section 903(d)(2) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 393(d)(2)). The Health and Diet Survey—2004 Supplement will provide FDA with information about consumers' knowledge of dietary fats and the risk of coronary heart disease as well as consumers' attitudes toward diet, health, and physical activity. A total of 2,200 adults in the 50 states and the District of Columbia will be interviewed by telephone. Participation will be voluntary. The survey will collect information concerning the following items: (1) Knowledge of the relationships between the risk of heart disease and dietary fats, including

saturated fat, trans fatty acids, hydrogenated oil, omega-3 fatty acids, monounsaturated fats, and polyunsaturated fats; (2) attitudes toward diet, health, and physical activity; and (3) demographics and health status.

The agency has established specific targets to improve consumer understanding of diet-disease relationships, and in particular, the relationships between dietary fats and the risk of coronary heart disease, the leading cause of death in the United

States. FDA intends to evaluate and track consumer understanding of heart-healthy and heart-harmful fats (saturated fat, trans fatty acids, and omega-3 fatty acids) as initial outcome measures of its achievement in improving public health. The primary purpose of the information collected in the survey will be to gauge current levels of consumer understanding. The establishment of a baseline of consumer understanding will be useful for the development of performance indicators

to identify and measure incremental improvement in consumer understanding. A secondary purpose of the information will be to increase the agency's understanding of consumers' attitudes toward diet, health, and physical activity. This information will provide insight for the exploration of effective communication strategies and messages to assist consumers in making informed dietary and lifestyle choices.

FDA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN¹

Activity	No. of Respondents	Annual Frequency per Response	Total Annual Responses	Hours per Response	Total Hours
Pretest	27	1	27	0.5	13.5
Screeners	6,000	1	6,000	0.02	120
Survey	2,000	1	2,000	0.17	340
Survey ("initial refusers")	200	1	200	0.08	16
Total					490

¹ There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.

These estimates are based on FDA's experience with previous consumer surveys. Prior to the administration of the survey, the agency plans to conduct a pretest of the final questionnaire to examine and reduce potential problems in survey administration. The pretest will be conducted in three waves, each with nine respondents. The agency will use a screener to select an eligible adult respondent in each household to participate in the survey. Target sample size of the survey is 2,000 respondents who complete the interview. The agency, as part of an effort to increase survey participation, plans to re-contact and complete the interview with prospective respondents who refuse to participate at initial contacts. Two hundred of those who refuse for the second time, defined as "initial refusers," will be administered a shorter interview about their knowledge of saturated fat, trans fatty acids, omega-3 fatty acids, and the risk of coronary heart disease.

Dated: February 10, 2004.

Jeffrey Shuren,

Assistant Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 2003N-0483]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Food Labeling Regulations

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a proposed collection of information has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Fax written comments on the collection of information by March 19, 2004.

ADDRESSES: OMB is still experiencing significant delays in the regular mail, including first class and express mail, and messenger deliveries are not being accepted. To ensure that comments on the information collection are received, OMB recommends that comments be faxed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attn: Fumie Yokota, Desk Officer for FDA, FAX: 202-395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Robbins, Office of Management Programs (HFA 250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In compliance with 44 U.S.C. 3507, FDA has submitted the following proposed collection of information to OMB for review and clearance.

Food Labeling Regulations—21 CFR Parts 101, 102, 104, and 105 (OMB Control Number 0910-0381)—Extension

FDA regulations require food producers to disclose to consumers and others specific information about themselves or their products on the label or labeling of their products. Related regulations require that food producers retain records establishing the basis for the information contained in the label or labeling of their products and provide those records to regulatory officials. Finally, certain regulations provide for the submission of food labeling petitions to FDA. FDA's food labeling regulations under parts 101, 102, 104, and 105 (21 CFR parts 101, 102, 104, and 105) were issued under the authority of sections 4, 5, and 6 of the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act (the FPLA) (15 U.S.C. 1453, 1454, and 1455) and under sections 201, 301, 402, 403, 409, 411, 701, and 721 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 321, 331, 342, 343, 348, 350, 371, and 379e). Most of these regulations derive from section 403 of the act, which provides that a food product shall be deemed to be misbranded if, among other things, its label or labeling fails to bear certain required information concerning the food product, is false or misleading in any particular, or bears certain types of