

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request additional information, please contact: Paul Scott, Ph.D., Director, Office of Science Policy and Planning, NINDS, 31/8A03 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892–2178, or Email your request, including your address to [scott@ninds.nih.gov](mailto:scott@ninds.nih.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery.

*Abstract:* The information collection activity will garner qualitative customer and stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with the Administration's commitment to improving service delivery. By qualitative feedback we mean information that provides useful insights on perceptions and opinions, but are not statistical surveys that yield quantitative results that can be generalized to the population of study. This feedback will provide insights into customer or stakeholder perceptions, experiences and expectations, provide an early warning of issues with service, or focus attention on areas where communication, training or changes in operations might improve delivery of products or services. These collections will allow for ongoing, collaborative and actionable communications between the Agency and its customers and stakeholders. It will also allow feedback to contribute directly to the improvement of program management.

Feedback collected under this generic clearance will provide useful information, but it will not yield data that can be generalized to the overall population. This type of generic clearance for qualitative information will not be used for quantitative information collections that are designed to yield reliably actionable results, such as monitoring trends over time or documenting program performance. Such data uses require more rigorous designs that address: the target population to which generalizations will be made, the sampling frame, the sample design (including stratification and clustering), the precision requirements or power calculations that justify the proposed sample size, the expected response rate, methods for assessing potential non-response bias, the protocols for data collection, and any testing procedures that were or will be undertaken prior fielding the study. Depending on the degree of influence the results are likely to have, such collections may still be eligible for submission for other generic mechanisms that are designed to yield quantitative results.

No comments were received in response to the 60-day notice published in the **Federal Register** of December 22, 2010 (75 FR 80542).

Below we provide NINDS's projected average estimates for the next three years:

*Current Actions:* New collection of information.

*Type of Review:* New Collection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals and Households, Businesses and Organizations, State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Average Expected Annual Number of activities:* 6.

*Respondents:* 14,700.

*Annual responses:* 24,700.

*Frequency of Response:* Once per request for 5 activities, twice per request for 1 activity.

*Average minutes per response:* 57.

*Burden hours:* 5750.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget control number.

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**Story Landis,**

*Director, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes of Health.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Submission for OMB Review; 30-day Comment Request: Financial Sustainability of Human Tissue Biobanking (NCI)

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of Section 3507(a)(1)(D) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the National Institutes of Health (NIH), has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on May 7, 2013, Vol. 78, p. 26639 and allowed 60-days for public comment. No public comments were received. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment. The National Cancer Institute (NCI), National Institutes of Health may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it

displays a currently valid OMB control number.

*Direct Comments to OMB:* Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov) or by fax to 202–395–6974, Attention: NIH Desk Officer.

*Comment Due Date:* Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30-days of the date of this publication.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments or request more information on the proposed project contact: Jim Vaught, Chief, Biorepositories and Biospecimen Research Branch, Cancer Diagnosis Program, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Rockville, MD 20892 or call non-toll-free number 240–276–5716 or Email your request, including your address to: [vaughtj@mail.nih.gov](mailto:vaughtj@mail.nih.gov). Formal requests for additional plans and instruments must be requested in writing.

*Proposed Collection:* Financial Sustainability of Human Tissue Biobanking, 0925–NEW, National Cancer Institute (NCI), National Institutes of Health (NIH).

*Need and Use of Information Collection:* The purpose of this web-based survey is to collect information regarding the challenges that human tissue biobanks encounter in achieving financially sustainable operations. The information will be used to assist the National Cancer Institute (NCI) in strategizing program plans to provide increased and tailored support for national and international biobanks. The survey will collect a combination of structured, quantitative, and free-text descriptive data that characterize the type and maturity of respondent biobanks, their sources of funding, and their usage of funding in conducting operations. The survey will also collect information describing the difficulties in maintaining funding sources and establishing new ones. Finally, the survey will elicit descriptions of techniques used to overcome the difficulties.

It is expected that the information generated by this survey will be used to inform published guidance to biobanks regarding the financial hazards to sustained operations and the means by which these hazards can be avoided or overcome.

OMB approval is requested for 1 year. There are no costs to respondents other than their time. The total estimated annualized burden hours are 822.

## ESTIMATES OF ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondent	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total annual burden hours
Biobanks (Private Sector) .....	548	1	90/60	822

Dated: July 17, 2013.

**Vivian Horovitch-Kelley,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Proposed Collection; 60-Day Comment Request: Application for the Postdoctoral Research Associate Program

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS), the National Institutes of Health (NIH) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval.

Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited on one or more of the following points: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance

of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

To Submit Comments and for Further Information: To obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, submit comments in writing or request more information on the proposed project, contact Ms. Tammy Dean-Maxwell, NIGMS, NIH, Natcher Building, Room 3AN.44, 45 Center Drive, MSC 6200, Bethesda, MD 20892-6200, or call non-toll-free number 301-594-2755 or email your request, including your address to: [deanmat@mail.nih.gov](mailto:deanmat@mail.nih.gov). Formal requests for additional plans and instruments must be requested in writing.

Comments Due Date: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 60-days of the date of this publication.

Proposed Collection: Application for the Postdoctoral Research Associate Program, (NIGMS) Extension of a currently approved collection, OMB No. 0925-0378, expiration date September 30, 2013. *Form Numbers:* NIH 2721-1, NIH 2721-2.

#### *Need and Use of Information*

*Collection:* The Postdoctoral Research Associate (PRAT) Program will use the applicant and referee information to award opportunities for training and experience in laboratory or clinical investigation to individuals with an appropriate terminal degree who are seeking training in an NIGMS designated emerging area of science, through appointments as PRAT Fellows at the National Institutes of Health or the Food and Drug Administration. The goal of the program is to develop leaders in designated emerging areas of biomedical research for key positions in academic, industrial, and Federal research laboratories. *Frequency of Response:* Once a year. *Affected Public:* Individuals or households; businesses or other for-profit. *Type of Respondents:* Applicants and referees.

OMB approval is requested for 3 years. There are no costs to respondents other than their time. The total estimated annualized burden hours are 331.

## ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE

Form name	Type of respondent	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total annual burden hour
PRAT Primary Application ..... (NIH 2721-1) .....	Applicants .....	25	1	8	200
PRAT Request for Evaluation Form (NIH 2721-2) .....	Referee .....	75	1	105/60	131