

other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, e-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and OS document identifier, to *Sherette.funncoleman@hhs.gov*, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (202) 690-5683. Send written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections within 30 days of this notice directly to the OS OMB Desk Officer; faxed to OMB at 202-395-5806.

*Proposed Project:* Comprehensive Communication Campaign for HITECH Act—OMB No. 0990-NEW—Office National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC).

*Abstract:* As part of the Health Information Technology for Economic

and Clinical Health Act (HITECH Act) of 2009, ONC is proposing to conduct a nationwide communication campaign to meet the Congressional mandate to educate the public about privacy and security of electronically exchanged personal health information. ONC requires formative and process information about different segments of the public to conduct the campaign effectively. Data collection will occur continuously through the 24 months of the campaign. The data will be used to inform campaign strategies, messages, materials and Web sites.

ONC is collaborating with the HHS Office of Civil Rights to oversee the education and communication activities. The purpose of the campaign is to reach consumers, patients and health care providers to:

- Build approval for HIT adoption and meaningful use.

- Increase patient and provider participation in electronic health information exchange.

- Educate the public about the uses of personal health information and privacy and security protections available to them.

- Generate participation in HITECH programs (e.g. loans, grants, and contracts).

Electronic health information exchange promises an array of potential benefits for individuals and the U.S. health care system through improved health care quality, safety, and efficiency. At the same time, this environment also poses new challenges and opportunities for protecting health information. Health information technology and electronic health information exchange may also provide individuals with new, more effective methods to engage with their health care providers and affect how their health information may be exchanged.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOUR TABLE

Form	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden (in hours) per response	Total burden hours
In-depth interview screening .....	500	1	10/60	83
In-depth interview main interview .....	360	1	1	360
Focus group screening .....	800	1	10/60	133
Focus group main interview .....	400	1	2	800
Web-based message testing main interview .....	660	1	1	660
Omnibus survey questions main interview .....	4,000	1	10/60	667
Card sorting screening .....	400	1	10/60	67
Card sorting main interview .....	100	1	1.5	150
Total .....				2,920

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Final Effect of Designation of a Class of Employees for Addition to the Special Exposure Cohort**

**AGENCY:** National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) gives notice concerning the final effect of the HHS decision to designate a class of employees at the Canoga Avenue

Facility, Los Angeles County, California, as an addition to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000. On May 14, 2010, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. 7384q(b), the Secretary of HHS designated the following class of employees as an addition to the SEC:

All employees of the Department of Energy, its predecessor agencies, and its contractors and subcontractors who worked at the Canoga Avenue Facility, Los Angeles County, California, from January 1, 1955 through December 31, 1960 for a number of work days aggregating at least 250 work days, occurring either solely under this employment or in combination with work days within the parameters established for one or more other classes of employees in the Special Exposure Cohort.

This designation became effective on June 13, 2010, as provided for under 42 U.S.C. 7384l(14)(C). Hence, beginning

on June 13, 2010, members of this class of employees, defined as reported in this notice, became members of the Special Exposure Cohort.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stuart L. Hinnefeld, Interim Director, Division of Compensation Analysis and Support, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), 4676 Columbia Parkway, MS C-46, Cincinnati, OH 45226, Telephone 513-533-6800 (this is not a toll-free number). Information requests can also be submitted by e-mail to *DCAS@CDC.GOV*.

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