

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Child File (includes Agency File)	52	1	113	5876
SDC	6	1	32	192
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:	6068

Additional Information: Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. E-mail address: rsargis@acf.hhs.gov

OMB Comment: OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Washington, DC, Attn: Desk Officer for ACF, E-mail: lauren_wittenburg@omb.eop.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Title IV-E Foster Care Eligibility Reviews, Child and Family Services Reviews, and section 471(a)(18) Compliance Reviews.

OMB No.: 0970-0214.

Description: ACF is seeking re-authorization of the monitoring protocols for the child and family service reviews, re-authorization of the tools needed to assess title IV-E eligibility and payment accuracy, and re-authorization of the corrective action plan regarding removal of barriers to interethnic adoption.

Section 1123A of the Social Security Act (the Act) and regulations at 45 CFR 1355.31 through 1355.37 govern the child and family service reviews (CFSR). Three information collections are associated with the CFSR: A statewide assessment, an on-site review,

and a program improvement plan. The purpose of the CFSR is to help States improve services and outcomes for children and families.

Section 471(a)(7) of the Act and 45 CFR 1356.71 govern the Federal reviews of State compliance with title IV-E eligibility provisions at 472(a) and (b) of the Act as they apply to children and foster care providers. There is one information collection associated with the IV-E eligibility reviews: a program improvement plan.

Section 471(a)(18) of the Act and 45 CFR 1355.38(b) and (c) prohibit the delay or denial of foster or adoptive placements based on the race, color, or national origin of any of the individuals involved. The enforcement provisions require the completion of corrective action plans when a State is in violation of the Multiethnic Placement Act (MEPA), as amended.

Respondents: States.

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1355.33(b) Statewide Assessment	11	1	240	2,640
1355.33(c) On-site Review	11	1	900	9,900
1355.35(a) Program Improvement Plan	11	1	80	880
1356.71(i) Program Improvement Plan	4	1	63	252
1355.38(b) and (c) Corrective Action Plan	5	1	80	400
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:	14,072

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