

the substance abuse treatment provided in institutional and publicly funded settings, in order to more completely describe the full range and nature of substance abuse problems affecting the nation.

The CSAT Practitioner Services Network initiative will provide support to four of the largest behavioral health associations in the nation to design and implement surveys using representative samples of their members and the clients they serve. The membership of the selected Associations collectively represent a significant proportion of the behavioral health professionals in the country. Two additional associations, the American Psychiatric Association and the American Psychological Association, have separately functioning Internet-based PSN infrastructures; from these two groups CSAT will be able to purchase reports based on the data they have already collected.

For the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy; the

American Counseling Association; NAADAC, The Association for Addiction Professionals; and the National Association of Social Workers, CSAT will sponsor new data collection efforts to provide a core set of data elements to be collected in their upcoming membership surveys. The four Associations conduct periodic sample surveys of their memberships through their individual Practitioner Services Network infrastructures and will incorporate a common set of specific substance-abuse questions that are of importance to CSAT into these studies. CSAT will sponsor data collection and purchase, from each Association, a report that addresses the characteristics of practitioners who may be expected to encounter clients with substance abuse disorders, the characteristics of clients with behavioral and/or substance abuse disorders, and the nature of services rendered to these clients.

The reports to be purchased by CSAT will be based on the Associations' surveys of a representative sample of 500 of their members. Practitioners in the sample will abstract demographic and encounter-specific data from two of their current patients' records. No client identifying information will be collected as part of this study. Data collection methods will include mailed surveys with mailed reminders and follow-up phone calls in order to achieve a target response rate of 80 percent. This information will complement CSAT's and SAMHSA's existing data collection efforts and provide a more comprehensive view of the populations in need of services, the prevalence of substance abuse and mental health comorbidities, and the qualifications and training of private practitioners who serve these clients. The burden estimates are summarized in the following table.

Estimated number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Estimated completion time (hours)	Total burden hours
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Written comments and recommendations concerning the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of this notice to: Allison Herron Eydt, Human Resources and Housing Branch, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503; due to potential delays in OMB's receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, respondents are encouraged to submit comments by fax to: (202) 395-6974.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

**ACTION:** 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review; Employment Eligibility Verification; Form I-9.

The Department of Homeland Security, Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until September 26, 2003.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions 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 equality, 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 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.

#### Overview of This Information Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of currently approved collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Employment Eligibility Verification.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* Form I-9. Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or households. This form was developed to facilitate compliance with section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended by the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, which prohibits the knowing employment of unauthorized aliens. The information collected is used by employers or by recruiters for enforcement of provisions of immigration laws that are designed to control the employment of unauthorized aliens.