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PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Administration for Children and Families
Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation
330 C Street SW
Washington, DC 20201

Attn: OPRE Reports Clearance Officer

To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for providing us with the opportunity to submit our comments regarding the proposed data collection for the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey 2019 (FACES 2019) from the Federal Register (Volume 82, Number 202, page 48819, Friday, October 20, 2017).

The National Head Start Association (NHSA) is a nonprofit organization committed to the belief that every child, regardless of circumstances at birth, has the ability to succeed in life. NHSA is the voice for more than one million children, 250,000 staff and 1,600 Head Start grantees.

The previous iterations of FACES have provided valuable information about Head Start's children, families, and programs. NHSA appreciates the Administration for Children and Families' ongoing commitment to the project, particularly following the redesign of the FACES study in 2011.

NHSA is supportive of the data collection activities for recruitment as described in the proposed information collection and agrees with the burden estimates given. While the FACES study does require a significant amount of time and effort on the part of the Head Start field, the information the study provides is particularly important and necessary. We look forward to the opportunity to comment on additional details about the collection specifically once they are available.

Thank you again for the opportunity to share our comments. If you have any questions, you can contact me at yvinci@nhsa.org.

Sincerely,

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The National Head Start Association, an independent membership organization, advocates on behalf of the entire Head Start community and provides training and resources to Head programs nationwide.

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