

B. COLLECTION OF INFORMATION EMPLOYING STATISTICAL METHODS:

1. Respondent Universe and Sampling Methods

The responses will be 33 IHS HP/DP competitive grant recipients. The independent evaluator will contact the grantees directly to arrange and conduct telephone interviews. Coordination of four on-site interviews will be conducted by independent evaluator using the telephone interview survey instrument.

2. Procedures for the Collection of Information

The independent evaluation contractor staff will collect telephone and face-to-face interview surveys with 33 Tribal/Urban Indian organizations and programs to complete data collection that is consistent with the following principles:

- The independent contractor staff will contact the grantees directly to send request for evidence information and data in advance of the telephone interviews.
- The independent contractor staff will contact the grantees directly to schedule and conduct telephone and face-to-face interviews with appropriate program staff identified by each of the grantees.
- Efforts will be made to obtain the highest possible response rates by encouraging the grantees to participate to enhance the HP/DP grant program.

3. Methods to Maximize Response Rates and Deal with Nonresponse

Consistent with sound survey methodology, the design of the quantitative and qualitative survey will include approaches to maximize the response rates by informing them the importance to enhance the HP/DP grant program.

4. Tests of Procedures or Methods to be Undertaken

The data collection instruments have undergone extensive trial and revision to minimize burden and improve their usefulness.

5. Individuals Consulted on Statistical Aspects and Individuals Collecting and/or Analyzing Data

HP/DP hired an external independent contractor who developed the survey and procedures for conducting the survey, including administering the survey, analyzing the information collected and identifying the appropriate staff to administer and analyze the survey.

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