## SUPPORTING HEALTHY MARRIAGE PROJECT

#### 12-MONTH FOLLOW-UP SURVEY INSTRUMENT

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#### INTRODUCTION

#### SOURCE FOR INTRODUCTION: BSF

May I please speak with [SAMPLE MEMBER]? My name is [NAME] and I'm calling from [Research company], a research company in [Location of research company].

SAMPLE MEMBER AVAILABLE	1
SAMPLE MEMBER NOT AVAILABLE	2

#### If not available:

What do you think would be the best time to reach [SAMPLE MEMBER]?/When would be a good time to do the interview?)

INSTRUCTION: RECORD DATE AND TIME FOR CALL BACK.

#### CALL BACK INFORMATION

Hello, my name is [NAME] and I'm calling from [Interviewer's Company], a research company in [City where company is located]. I'm calling you about the Supporting Healthy Marriage study you joined about a year ago. You may have already received a letter letting you know that we would be calling. Did you receive that letter?

- o Yes
- o No
- o DK
- o Ref

When you joined the study, you and [SPOUSE] were each asked to complete a short questionnaire and we told you that we would be contacting each of you again to learn how you are doing.

The interview will take about 50 minutes and you will receive a gift card \$30 for completing it. Everything that you tell me is confidential. Your spouse will also receive a \$30 gift card for completing the interview as well.

Is now a good time to start? Are you free for the next 50 minutes to answer these questions?

OK TO CONTINUE	1
NOT A GOOD TIME	2

(When would be a good time to reach [SAMPLE MEMBER]?/When would be a good time to do the interview?)

INSTRUCTION: RECORD DATE AND TIME FOR CALL BACK

#### CALL BACK INFORMATION

I just need to verify that I am speaking with the correct person. What is your date of birth?

Respondent's Birthday	MM/DD/YYYY
DK	d
Ref	r

#### If DOB is incorrect:

I'm sorry. I need to check my records before I can interview you. Is this the best time to reach you in the future?

#### INSTRUCTION: RECORD DATE AND TIME FOR CALL BACK

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Yes	
No, Call Back Info	

#### If DOB is correct:

Are the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number? \_\_\_ \_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ [INTERVIEWER – ENTER SSN EVEN IF IT MATCHES THE SAMPLE INFO]

COMPARE RESPONSE GIVEN TO LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SSN ON SAMPLE FILE. IF THE 4 DIGITS GIVEN AGREE WITH THE NUMBER ON THE FILE, SKIP TO NAME ITEM BELOW. IF THEY DO NOT AGREE, DISCONTINUE THE INTERVIEW. IF SSN IS MISSING IN THE SAMPLE AND THERE IS A MISMATCH IN DOB, SKIP TO DISCONTINUED TEXT.

IF INTERVIEW DISCONTINUED: I'm sorry. I was unable to pull up the correct questionnaire. I will need to check with my supervisor to look into the problem. I will re-contact you when the problem is resolved. Thank you for your time.

I would also like to make sure we have your name recorded correctly.

Can you confirm that your name is:

Enter name [First, Middle, Last]	Yes (Skip next)	No
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If No, What is your name? [First, Middle, Last]

Enter name [First, Middle, Last]

Are you usually called [Respondent's First Name] or do you go by another name?

INSTRUCTION: IF SAME, CONTINUE INSTRUCTION: IF DIFFERENT NAME, CHANGE TO USUAL NAME WHICH WILL BE USED TO FILL IN THE REMAINDER OF SURVEY PROBE: Can you spell that for me please?

Alternative Name of Respondent

Our records indicate that you were married when you first entered the study. Before we get started, I would like to make sure that I have the correct name of your spouse at that time.

Enter name [First, Middle, Last]	Yes (Skip next)	No
If No, What is his/her name? [First, Middle, Last]		_

Is he/she usually called [Respondent's First Name] or does h/she go by another name?

INSTRUCTION: IF SAME, CONTINUE INSTRUCTION: IF DIFFERENT NAME, CHANGE TO USUAL NAME WHICH WILL BE USED AS FILL IN THE REMAINDER OF SURVEY

PROBE: Can you spell that for me please?

Enter name [First, Middle, Last]

Alternative Name of	
Spouse/Former spouse	

Great! Let's get started with some questions I have for you about your family.

#### **SECTION A: HOUSEHOLD STRUCTURE**

A. Last year you gave us some information about all the children living in your household. I'm going to ask you some questions about those children to make sure the information we have is correct. (HTE KS/MO 15-month follow up)

INTERVIEWER: LOOP THROUGH AND ASK Q. 1 through Q. 2 FOR ALL CHILDREN LISTED AT BASELINE. IF MORE THAN ONE CHILD, START WITH THE OLDEST AND WORK DOWN TO THE YOUNGEST.

	Yes	No	DK	Ref	
1. Is [CHILD] still living with you	SKIP	ASK Q. 1a			HTE
at least half the time?	TO Q. 2				KS/MO
					15-month
1a. And who does [CHILD]					Fragile
usually live with?					Families
INTERVIEWER: DO NOT					1-year
READ CHOICES, HAVE					mother follow-up
RESPONDENT ANSWER					10110w-up
AND CODE FOR					
RESPONSE					

0	Biological father		
0	Biological mother		
0	Maternal		
	grandparent(s)		
0	Paternal		
	grandparent(s)		
0	Other relative(s)		
0	Friend		
0	Foster care		
0	Adoptive parent		
0	OtherSpecify		
0	DK		
0	Ref		
	ck, is his/her birthday	Can you	Fragile
_	E LISTED AT	please tell	Families
BASELINE]?	1	me his/her	
		correct	
		birthday?	
		ENTER	
		DATE.	

3. Are there any other children under the age of 18, including biological, adoptive, foster, step, or other children or relatives currently living in your home at least half the time who I did not mention? [HTE KS/MO 15-month follow-up]

- o Yes [COMPLETE QUESTION 3 GRID BELOW]
- o No [SKIP TO Q. 4]
- o DK
- o Ref

#### **Key:**

- 1=Biological/adoptive child
- 2=Step-child
- 3=Foster child
- 4=Other relative under 18
- 5=Other dependent child
- 6=Unspecified or don't know
- 7=Refused

3a. What is	3b.What is	3c.What is	3d. Is the child	3e. How is the	3f. How is the
the child's	child's last	child's date	a?	child related to	child related to
first name?	name?	of birth?		you?	your spouse?
A:	Name:	MM/DD/YY	o Male	0 1	0 1
Name:			o Female	0 2	o 2
			o Ref	o 3	0 3
Refused $\square$				0 4	0 4
				<b>o</b> 5	<b>o</b> 5

				o 6	o 6
				o 7	o 7
B:	Name:	MM/DD/YY	o Male	0 1	0 1
Name:			o Female	o 2	o 2
			o Ref	0 3	o 3
Refused $\square$				o 4	o 4
				<b>o</b> 5	o 5
				o 6	o 6
				o 7	o 7
C:	Name:	MM/DD/YY	o Male	0 1	0 1
Name:			o Female	0 2	o 2
			o Ref	0 3	o 3
Refused $\Box$				0 4	0 4
				o 5	o 5
				o 6	o 6
				o 7	o 7

4. How many adults 18 years or older live in your home at least half the time? **(SHM Baseline)** 

WAIT FOR ANSWER. And that includes you, correct?

- ENTER NUMBER OF ADULTS
- o DK
- **o** Ref

5. Can you tell me the names of each of the adults, their ages, and their relationship to you? **(New)** 

	NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP
			TO RESPONDENT
5a			
5b			
5c			

# SECTION B: IDEALS, EXPECTATIONS, AND STANDARDS ABOUT MARITAL RELATIONSHIPS

#### **Views of Marriage**

Now, I want to ask you a few questions about marriage in general. These questions *ARE NOT* intended to be about your marriage in particular, but about your views of marriage in general.

1. Please indicate whether you *strongly agree*, *agree*, *disagree*, *or strongly disagree* with each of the following statements. First.... [READ STATEMENT]. Do you...

		Strongly			Strongly	DK	Ref	Source
		Agree	Agree	Disagree	Disagree			
a.	It is much better for everyone if the man earns the money and the woman takes care of the house and	1	2	3	4			Fragile Families
	family.							
b.	If a husband and wife both work full-time, they should share household chores equally.	1	2	3	4			SHM Baseline, NSFH
C.	Mothers are more important than fathers in raising children.	1	2	3	4			New
d.	The important decisions should be made by husbands	1	2	3	4			Fragile Families
e.	Wives should feel as free as their husbands to say what they think and feel in a marriage.	1	2	3	4			New
f.	Marriage is a lifelong relationship and should not be ended except in extreme circumstances.	1	2	3	4			New (Cognitive tested)

- 2. In your opinion, should divorce in this country be easier or more difficult to obtain that it is now? (GSS; Martin and Parashar, 2003)
  - o Easier
  - o More difficult
  - o Same [**VOLUNTEERED**]
  - o DK
  - o Ref

3. Here are some statements that describe beliefs and opinions some people have about marriage and what it takes to get along in a marriage. For each statement, please indicate whether you *strongly agree*, *agree*, *disagree*, *or strongly disagree* with the statement.

First.... [READ STATEMENT]. Do you...

11130		Strongly	1, 20 y	<i>54</i>	Strongly	DK	Ref	Source
		Agree	Agree	Disagree	Disagree			
star mai pro usu	ce a couple rts to have rriage blems, it sally is not sible to fix m.	1	2	3	4			NSFH
not word rela ord hap mar	rriage.	1	2	3	4			NSFG, Modified
c. Ma per be giv that imp ther sak		1	2	3	4			New
d. Mo can con bet	ost people I learn to Inmunicate Iter with their Ouse.	1	2	3	4			New
_	ost isbands/ ves ASK	1	2	3	4			Fragile Families, revised

ONLY OF						
OPPOSITE						
GENDER]						
cannot be						
trusted to be						
sexually						
faithful.						
f. In a happy	1	2	3	4	Nev	 A7
marriage,	1	2	3		110	•
husbands and						
wives should						
know what						
each other is						
thinking						
without having						
to talk about it.			_			
g. When one	1	2	3	4	Nev	V
spouse says						
something						
mean or						
hurtful, it is OK						
for the other						
spouse to say						
something						
mean or hurtful						
back.						
h. When husbands	1	2	3	4	Nev	V
and wives have						
very different						
views about						
important						
things in the						
family, it is						
best not to talk						
about those						
things.						
i. It is sometimes	1	2	3	4	Nev	v
OK for couples						
to get a little						
rough						
physically, like						
pushing or						
hitting.						
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<sup>4.</sup> People expect different things in a good marriage. I'm going to read a list of some of the things people expect in marriage, and I'd like to know how important you feel each one *should be*. For each one, please tell me if you think it should be *very important*,

 $somewhat\ important,\ somewhat\ unimportant,\ or\ very\ unimportant\ thing\ to\ expect\ in\ a\ good\ marriage.$  (New)

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Very Important	DK	Ref
a. First, financial security	1	2	3		
Do you think it is very important, somewhat important, somewhat unimportant, or very unimportant for people to expect this in a good marriage?					
b. Next, love and affection	1	2	3		
c. Sharing household chores	1	2	3		
d. Personal growth	1	2	3		
e. A respected place in the community	1	2	3		
f. A good sex life	1	2	3		
g. Common interests and activities	1	2	3		
h. Common beliefs	1	2	3		
i. Companionship	1	2	3		

5. Which of these items do you think is the most important thing to expect from a go	,ood
marriage?	

# **SECTION C: MARITAL STATUS AND STABILITY**

#### The next questions are about you and [SPOUSE]. (BSF)

1. Are you and [SPOUSE] currently...

Married?	1	Skip to Q.2
		1 1
Divorced?	2	Skip to Q.3
Separated?	3	Skip to Q.3
DK		
Ref		

#### Or did you and [SPOUSE]

Have your marriage	4	Skip to Q.3

annulled?	
DK	
Ref	

Or are you widowed?

Of the you widowed.		
	5	"I am so sorry to hear about
		your loss. WAIT FOR
		RESPONSE. Do you think
		that it would be OK for me
		to ask you a few questions
		about your children? WAIT
		FOR RESPONSE, IF
		RESPONDENT
		ANSWERS "NO," SAY:
		"Would another time be
		better?" SKIP TO
		SECTION G
DK	D	
Ref	R	

OTHER, specify	

# 2. Are you currently living with [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]? [Only select one option.] **(New)**

All of the time	1	Option 1 in Q.5
Most of the time	2	Option 1 in Q. 5
Some of the time	3	Option 1 in Q. 5
None of the time	4	Option 2 in Q. 5
DK	D	
Ref	R	

# 3. How often do you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] see each other? Is it...(adapted ${\bf BSF}$ )

More than once a day	1	
Every day or almost every day	2	
A few times a week	3	
A few times a month	4	
About once a month	5	
Only a few times in the past year	6	
Hardly ever or never	7	DO NOT ASK
		QUESTIONS IN
		SECTION D
DK	d	
REF	r	

4. How often do you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] talk to each other? Is it... (adapted BSF)

More than once a day	1	
Every day or almost every day	2	
A few times a week	3	
A few times a month	4	
About once a month	5	
Only a few times in the past year	6	
Hardly ever or never	7	DO NOT ASK
		QUESTIONS IN
		SECTION D
DK	d	
REF	r	

5. OPTION 1: How many times have you and [SPOUSE] lived apart for one or more nights since [RAD]?

OPTION 2: Including this current time of living apart, how many times have you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] lived apart since [RAD]?

- o [IF ANSWER IS "0," SKIP TO Q.8]
- o DK
- o Ref

6. OPTION 1: Thinking about all of the times that you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] have lived apart since [RAD], what is the total amount of time that you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] have lived apart for?

OPTION 2: Thinking about all of the times that you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] lived apart since [RAD], including this most time apart, what is the total amount of time that you and [SPOUSE] have lived apart for?

PROBE: If you don't know the exact amount of time, you can just give me an estimate in months of how long you think you were living apart.

]	Days and	_Months
[If less than 1 m	nonth, enter number o	of days, and enter 0 for months. If more than 1
month, enter nu	mber of months roun	ded to the nearest month.]

- o DK
- o Ref

7. OPTION 1: For the most recent spell that you and [SPOUSE] lived apart from one another, can you me what the main reason was for your separation? **(BSF)** 

OPTION 2: Can you tell me what the main reason is that you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] do not currently live together? **(BSF)** 

[INTERVIEWER: DO NOT READ CHOICES, CODE FOR THE RESPONSE THE RESPONDENT GIVES, UNLESS RESPONDENT CANNOT COME UP WITH A REASON.]

## PROMPT, IF NECESSARY: Was/Is it because...

			If YES, Was it you,		
				JSE], or both of you?	
a. You and/or [SPOUSE/FORMER	0	Yes	0	You	
SPOUSE] were/are in the military?	0	No	0	[SPOUSE/FORMER	
	0	DK		SPOUSE]	
	О	Ref	0	Both	
			0	DK	
			0	Ref	
b. You or [SPOUSE/FORMER	О	Yes	0	You	
SPOUSE] work far away from home?	0	No	0	[SPOUSE/FORMER	
	0	DK		SPOUSE]	
	0	Ref	0	Both	
			0	DK	
			0	Ref	
c. The two of you were not	0	Yes	0	You	
communicating well or were arguing too	0	No	0	[SPOUSE/FORMER	
much?	0	DK		SPOUSE]	
	0	Ref	0	Both	
			0	DK	
			0	Ref	
d. Of lack of support from family	0	Yes	0	You	
members?	0	No	0	[SPOUSE/FORMER	
	0	DK		SPOUSE]	
	0	Ref	0	Both	
			0	DK	
			0	Ref	
e. You or [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]	О	Yes	0	You	
were/was visiting or living with	О	No	0	[SPOUSE/FORMER	
relatives?	О	DK		SPOUSE]	
	О	Ref	0	Both	
			0	DK	
			0	Ref	
f. You or [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]	О	Yes	О	You	
cheated or were unfaithful?	0	No	0	[SPOUSE/FORMER	

	o DV	CDOLICE1
	0 DK	SPOUSE] o Both
	o Ref	
		o DK
		o Ref
g. You or [SPOUSE/FORMER	o Yes	o You
SPOUSE] went to jail or prison?	o No	o [SPOUSE/FORMER
	o DK	SPOUSE]
	o Ref	o Both
		o DK
		o Ref
h. You or [SPOUSE/FORMER	o Yes	o You
SPOUSE] were/was abusive or violent?	o No	o [SPOUSE/FORMER
	o DK	SPOUSE]
	o Ref	o Both
	O Rei	o DK
		o Ref
i. You or [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]	o Yes	0 You
used drugs or alcohol?	0 1es 0 No	o [SPOUSE/FORMER
used drugs of alcohor:		_
	o DK	SPOUSE]  O Both
	o Ref	
		o DK
		o Ref
j. You or [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]	o Yes	o You
could not keep a job or contribute enough	o No	o [SPOUSE/FORMER
financially to the family?	o DK	SPOUSE]
	o Ref	o Both
		o DK
		o Ref
k. You or [SPOUSE] were/was not a	o Yes	o You
good parent or role model?	o No	o [SPOUSE/FORMER
	o DK	SPOUSE]
	o Ref	O Both
		o DK
		o Ref
l. Other reasons why you and [SPOUSE]	SPECIFY:	o You
live(d) apart?		o [SPOUSE/FORMER
in c(a) upuit.		SPOUSE]
		O Both
		o Ref

<sup>8.</sup> Had you ever been married prior to this marriage? (SHM Baseline)

o Yes

- 0 No (GO TO 9)
- o DK
- o REF

8a. How many times were you married prior to (RA Date)? (New)

- o 0
- 0 1
- o 2
- **o** 3
- o 4 or more
- o DK
- o Ref
- 9. [If currently divorced, separated, or marriage annulled OR currently married and living together "none of the time,"]

Are you currently involved in a romantic relationship with [someone other than [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]/with someone else]? **(BSF)** 

[If married and living together at least "some of the time," skip to SECTION D]

- o Yes
- O No (Skip to SECTION D)
- o DK
- o Ref

9a.Do you currently live with him/her in the same household...(BSF)

1	
2	
3	
4	
D	
R	
	1 2 3 4 D R

- 9b. Are you currently married to him/her? (BSF)
  - o Yes
  - o No
  - o DK
  - o Ref

#### **SECTION D: MARITAL RELATIONSHIP OUTCOMES**

1. The next questions are about your relationship with [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]. Please tell me if you *strongly agree*, *agree*, *disagree*, *or strongly disagree* with the following statements. [IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED "HARDLY EVER OR NEVER" TO Q. C3. AND/OR Q. C4, SKIP TO SECTION E. OTHERWISE, FOLLOW

# INSTRUCTIONS IN INDIVIDUAL CELLS, I.E. WHICH QUESTIONS TO OMIT FOR SEPARATED/DIVORCED RESPONDENTS.]

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Source
a	[SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] understands that there are times when I do not feel like talking, and times when I do.	1	2	3	4	
b	If I was unhappy, I would stay married to [SPOUSE] because my family expects it.**	1	2	3	4	Cognitive testing
С	I trust [SPOUSE] completely.**	1	2	3	4	SHM Baseline
d	[SPOUSE] knows and understands me.**	1	2	3	4	BSF
e	[SPOUSE] makes sacrifices for the good of our marriage.**	1	2	3	4	Cognitive testing
f	If I was unhappy, I would stay married to [SPOUSE] because of our children.**	1	2	3	4	New
g	I am comfortable expressing how I feel about sex with [SPOUSE]. **	1	2	3	4	ENRICH
h	I can count on [SPOUSE] to be there for me.**	1	2	3	4	SHM Baseline
i	It is hard for me to talk with [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] about the important things in our lives.	1	2	3	4	SHM Baseline
j	[SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] respects me.	1	2	3	4	BSF
k	I believe this relationship can be strong even through hard times.**	1	2	3	4	SHM Baseline
l	I view our marriage as lifelong.**	1	2	3	4	SHM Baseline
n	I feel appreciated by [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE].	1	2	3	4	BSF
n	If I was unhappy, I would stay married to [SPOUSE] because of religious reasons.**	1	2	3	4	New
О	[SPOUSE] expresses love and affection towards me. **	1	2	3	4	SHM Baseline

<sup>\*\*</sup> Not administered to separated couples.

2. Please indicate whether each of the following happens *all of the time*, *most of the time*, *some of the time*, *or none of the time*.

		All of	Most	Some	None	Source
		the	of the	of the	of the	
		time	time	time	time	
a	[SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] listens to	1	2	3	4	SHM
	me when I need someone to talk to.					Baseline
b	[SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] and I talk	1	2	3	4	BSF
	about things that happened during our					Modified

	day.					
С	[SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] and my	1	2	3	4	Cognitive
	arguments get very heated.					testing
d	After an argument, [SPOUSE/FORMER	1	2	3	4	Cognitive
	SPOUSE] and I stay mad at one another.					testing
e	[SPOUSE] and I have similar views	1	2	3	4	SHM
	about what is important in life.**					Baseline
f	I do things to show [SPOUSE] I value	1	2	3	4	Cognitive
	him/her.**					testing
g	We enjoy doing even ordinary, day-to-	1	2	3	4	Cognitive
	day things together.**					testing

<sup>\*\*</sup> Not administered to separated couples.

# In the last month.....

		Daily	2-3	About	1-3	Never	DK	Ref	
			times	once a	times				
			per	week	a				
			week		month				
h	How often did you and	1	2	3	4	5			Cognitive
	[SPOUSE] spend time								testing
	together as a couple, just								
	the two of you?**								
i	How often did you and	1	2	3	4	5			Cognitive
	[SPOUSE/FORMER								testing
	SPOUSE] spend time								
	together with your								
	children.								

	Would you say						
3. When you have a serious	Never	Hardly	Sometimes	Often	Source		
disagreement with		ever					
[SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE],							
how often did you:							
a. Just keep your thoughts to yourself?	1	2	3	4	EHS/NSFH/		
					ECLS-B		
b. Discuss your disagreements	1	2	3	4	EHS/NSFH/		
respectfully?					ECLS-B		
c. Argue in front of the children?	1	2	3	4	EHS/NSFH/		
					ECLS-B		
d. Work on it together to find a	1	2	3	4	CCQ		
resolution?							

4.		Hardly			Source
	Never	ever	Sometimes	Often	
In the last three months, how often did	1	2	3	4	Modified
you and [SPOUSE/FORMER					from SHM
SPOUSE] have a serious					Baseline
disagreement? Was it never, hardly					

ever, sometimes, or often?		

5. Please indicate whether each of the following happens *never*, *hardly ever*, *sometimes*, *or often* in your relationship.

	Never	Hardly	Sometimes	Often	Source
		ever			
a. Small issues suddenly become big	1	2	3	4	BSF
arguments.					
b. [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] and I	1	2	3	4	BSF
are good at working out our differences.					
c. When we argue, past hurts get brought	1	2	3	4	Cognitive
up again.					testing
d. [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] is	1	2	3	4	Cognitive
rude and mean to me when we disagree.					testing

6. The following questions are about how you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] feel about your children. When thinking of these questions please include your biological, adoptive, and stepchildren. Please tell me if you *strongly agree*, *agree*, *disagree*, *or strongly disagree* with the following statements.

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Source
a	[SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] is willing to make sacrifices to help take care of our kids.	1	2	3	Disagree 4	Cognitive testing
b	[SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] takes his/her responsibilities for our children seriously.	1	2	3	4	BSF
С	I could/can raise our kids just as well without [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE].	1	2	3	4	Cognitive testing

#### [SKIP TO QUESTION 16A IF COUPLE IS SEPARATED]

7. These questions are about extended family, such as grandparents, parents, sisters and brothers, aunts and uncles, and so on. Please tell me if you *strongly agree*, *agree*, *disagree*, *or strongly disagree*.

		Strongly	Agree	Disagree	Strongly	
		agree			disagree	
a	I can count on [SPOUSE]	1	2	3	4	Cognitive
	to help with whatever					testing
	problems my extended					
	family faces.					
b	[SPOUSE] respects and	1	2	3	4	Cognitive
	values my extended					testing
	family.					

8. Sometimes couples are not always faithful to each other. In the last three months, has [SPOUSE] cheated on you with someone else? Is that...[BSF]

#### INSTRUCTION: IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS 'DK' DO NOT PROBE.

Definitely yes,	1
Probably yes,	2
Probably no, or	3
Definitely no?	4
DK	d
REF	r

9. In the last three months, have you cheated on [SPOUSE] with someone else?

YES	1
NO	0
DK	d
REF	r

No matter how well people get along, there are times when they disagree, get annoyed with the other person, want different things from each other, or just have spats or fights because they are in a bad mood, are tired, or for some other reason. People also have many different ways of trying to settle their differences. (Modified from BSF)

In the las	In the last three months, how many times has [SPOUSE]								
	TIM	<u>ES</u>							
6.	thrown something at you?	0	1	2	3-5	6+			
7.	pushed, shoved, hit, slapped, or grabbed you?	0	1	2	3-5	6+			
8.	used a knife, gun, or weapon on you?	0	1	2	3-5	6+			
9.	choked, slammed, kicked, burned, or beat you?	0	1	2	3-5	6+			
10	used threats or force (like hitting, holding down, or using a weapon) to make you have sex?	0	1	2	3-5	6+			

10. Here is a list of things that might happen when you have disagreements.

11.	In the last three months how	Never	Hardly	Sometimes	Often
	often		Ever		

a	Have you felt afraid that [SPOUSE] would hurt you?	1	2	3	4
	Was it never, hardly ever, sometime, or often?				
b	Have your arguments gotten physical?	1	2	3	4
С	Has [SPOUSE] accused you of having an affair?	1	2	3	4
d	Tried to keep you from seeing or talking with your friends or family?	1	2	3	4
e	Kept money from you, made you ask for money, or taken your money?	1	2	3	4
f	Yelled or screamed at you?	1	2	3	4
g	Made you feel stupid?	1	2	3	4
h	Blamed you for his/her problems?	1	2	3	4
i	Threatened to hurt you or the children?	1	2	3	4

12. In the last three months, have you thought about getting help for your marriage? **(New)** 

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o No

o DK

o Ref

13. In the last three months, have you ever thought your marriage was in trouble? (SAQ)

o Yes

o No [GO TO SECTION D]

o DK

#### o Ref

14. In the last three months, have you spoken to anyone about the possibility that you and [SPOUSE] might separate or get a divorce? **(Child Trends)** 

- o Yes
- o No
- o DK
- o Ref

# 15. All things considered, on a scale from 1 to 7, where 1 is "completely unhappy," 4 is neither happy nor unhappy (neutral), and 7 is "completely happy", how happy are you with your marriage to [SPOUSE]? (SAQ)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	DK	Ref

# 16. And, how often are you satisfied with: [INTERVIEWER: ASK ALL QUESTIONS TO INTACT COUPLES, BUT ONLY A, B, AND E TO SEPARATED COUPLES.]

	All the	Most of	Some of	None of
	time	the time	the time	the time
a. The way [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] and	1	2	3	4
you communicate?				
b. The way you and [SPOUSE/FORMER	1	2	3	4
SPOUSE] handle your problems and				
disagreements?				
c. The amount of time you spend together as a	1	2	3	4
couple?**				
d. The emotional side of your relationship?**	1	2	3	4
e. The responsibility [SPOUSE/FORMER	1	2	3	4
SPOUSE] takes for raising your children?				
f. Your sex life?**	1	2	3	4
g. How you divide household chores?**	1	2	3	4
h. The way you handle your money and debt?**	1	2	3	4

<sup>\*\*</sup>Not administered to separated couples.

#### **SECTION E: PARTICIPATION IN SERVICES**

#### A. Marriage Education Services

		in the types of services you may have received since [RAD] to help you riage or relationship with your spouse.
0 0 0	received s	have you been enrolled in any program(s) where you ervices or counseling to help you work on your marriage or your ip by yourself or with your spouse? <b>(CSS)</b> TO Q. 2)
	counse 0 0 0	nce [RAD:]] have you received marriage education, marriage elling or mentoring services by yourself or with your spouse? (CSS)  By his or herself  With spouse  DK  Ref
	only y O O O	ere these meetings typically group sessions with other couples or with ou and your spouse? (BSF, CSS)  Group  Couple [Skip to Q. 6]  DK  Ref
	since [	out how many classes, workshops, or group sessions did you attend [RA DATE]? (BSF, CSS)  1 (Ask 1d.) PROBE: Did your spouse attend with you?  O Yes  O No  O DK  O Ref
		2 (Ask 1d, 1e, 1f) 3 (Ask 1d, 1e, 1f)
	0	4 OR MORE (Ask 1d, 1e, 1f)
	0	DK
	0	Ref
		bout how many hours did the class, workshop or group session last?  SF)  RECORD RESPONSE
	0	DK
	0	Ref

1e. How often did [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] attend the class, workshop or group session with you? **(BSF)** 

- o All of the time
- O Most of the time
- O Some of the time
- o A few times
- o None of the time
- o DK
- o REF
- 1f. Where did you receive these services? Name program(s): (CSS)
  - O Enter program(s):
  - o DK
  - o Ref
- 2. About how many of the services that you were assigned to did you actually attend? Was it ... **(CSS)** 
  - O None of them
  - o Some of them
  - O Most of them (skip to Q. 4)
  - O All of them (skip to Q. 4)
- 3. What are the reasons that you didn't attend?
  - o RECORD ANSWER
  - o DK
  - o Ref

PROBE: Of the following, was it because ... (CSS)

		Check all that apply
a	Of the health of your spouse, child, or	
	yourself?	
b	You had trouble finding child care?	
С	You had trouble finding transportation?	
d	Of a family issue?	
e	Of a problem with your housing?	
f	Of a conflict with your job?	
g	Of a conflict with your school or training	
	program?	
h	Of religious observance?	
i	You didn't want to participate?	
j	You did not find the program to be	
	helpful?	
k	A feeling that the group meetings weren't	
	helpful?	

1	A feeling that attendance at group meeting	
	was causing more conflict with	
	[SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]?	
m	DK	
n	Ref	
0	Other, specify	

#### B. Perception of Program

[INTERVIEWER: THESE QUESTIONS SHOULD ONLY BE ASKED TO RESPONDENTS WHO ANSWERED "GROUP" TO 1A]

- 4. Do you ever socialize with, see, or talk on the phone with other people from marriage education classes, workshops, or group sessions outside of the program? **(CSS)** 
  - o YES (Ask 4a)
  - o NO (Skip to Q 5.)
  - o DK
  - o Ref
  - 4a. How often?
    - o Once a week
    - Once a month
    - Once every two months
    - Once every six months
    - o DK
    - o Ref
  - 4b. Do you socialize as couples or do wives get together and/or husbands get together? [Check all that apply.] **(New)** 
    - o As a couple
    - O Wives get together
    - O Husbands get together
    - o DK
    - o Ref
- 5. Do you feel that your marriage education group should have kept meeting for more weeks, should have met fewer weeks, or met just about the right number of weeks? **(New)**

		Should have	Should	Met just	DK	Ref
		kept meeting for	have met	about the		
		more weeks	fewer	right number		
			weeks	of weeks		
a	I feel that the marriage	1	2	3		
	education classes					

5a. In the marriage education classes, would you have liked to...? (New)

		More	Less	Same	DK	Ref
a	Spend more time in	1	2	3		
	group discussions?					
b	Spend more time	1	2	3		
	practicing skills with					
	my spouse?					
C	Spend more time with	1	2	3		
	the facilitator teaching					
	and explaining new					
	ideas?					

5b. How often did the classes focus on topics that were important to you and your spouse? **(New)** 

- o All of the time
- o Most of the time
- O Some of the time
- o None of the time
- o DK
- o Ref

#### C. Other Marriage Services

6. Since [RAD], other than through workshops, classes and group, did you meet with any kind of social worker, counselor, therapist, or clergy member to work on your relationship? (adapted from BSF)

- o YES
- o NO (Skip to Q. 7)
- o DK
- o Ref

6a. Since [RAD], about how many times did you meet with this person/these people? **(BSF)** 

- 0 1
- o 2 [ASK ALWAYS, ETC RESPONSES IN 6C]
- o 3 [ASK ALWAYS, ETC RESPONSES IN 6C]
- o 4 or more [ASK ALWAYS, ETC RESPONSES IN 6C]
- o DK
- o Ref

6b. About how long did the sessions with this person last? (BSF)

- o Record Response
- o DK

#### o Ref

6c. Did [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] attend the session with you? (BSF)

- o Yes/No [or if more than one session]
  - Always
  - Sometimes
  - Seldom
  - Never

#### **D.** Supplemental Services

7. Since [RAD], did you

a	Participate in any classes, groups, or workshops to help you	o Yes
	improve your parenting skills? (BSF)	o No
		o DK
		o Ref
b	Participate in a job training program? (BSF)	o Yes
		o No
		o DK
		o Ref
С	Get services to help you with anger management or domestic	o Yes
	violence? (BSF)	o No
		o DK
		o Ref
d	Get mental health services, such as counseling, or help with	o Yes
	emotional problems? (BSF/ERA)	o No
		o DK
		o Ref
e	Get services to help you deal with drug or alcohol abuse?	o Yes
	(BSF/ERA)	o No
		o DK
		o Ref
f	Get services to help you with domestic violence issues?	o Yes
	(BSF)	o No
		o DK
		o Ref

<sup>8.</sup> There are many kinds of programs and organizations that help people find jobs, training, food, housing, childcare, health care, and help with other problems they may have. For each of the following, please tell me whether you have spoken with anyone from an agency, program, or school, or with a social worker, case manager or counselor offering these kinds of help since [RAD]? **(ERA)** 

	Halp finding or paying for shild care arrangements?		Yes
a	Help finding or paying for child care arrangements?	0	
		0	No
		0	DK
		0	Ref
b	Help with housing problems?	0	Yes
	Their with housing problems.	0	No
		0	DK
		0	Ref
С	Help finding or paying for transportation to work or	0	Yes
	transportation to child care?	0	No
	autoportunion to chira care.	0	DK
		0	Ref
d	Help getting Food Stamps or TANF?	0	Yes
"	Theip getting 1 ood ottainps of Tritti	0	No
		0	DK
		0	Ref
e	Help getting Medicaid or regular access to medical treatment	0	Yes
	or regular checkups?	0	No
	of regular effectups.	0	DK
		0	Ref
f	Help handling a financial emergency such as possible	0	Yes
1	eviction, or if your car broke down, etc?	0	No
	eviction, of it your car broke down, etc.	0	DK
		0	Ref
	Take any classes to finish high school, get a GED, or finish	0	Yes
g	college? ( <b>BSF</b> )	0	No
	conege: (DSF)	_	DK
		0	Ref
h	Cat vegetional training for a specific ich trade or	0	Yes
11	Get vocational training for a specific job, trade, or	0	
	occupation to enhance your job opportunities? <b>(BSF)</b>	0	No DV
		0	DK Dof
	Tala and data to large Engli 12 (DCE)	0	Ref
i	Take any classes to learn English? (BSF)	0	Yes
		0	No
		0	DK
		0	Ref

# **SECTION F: CO-PARENTING AND PARENTING**

[INTERVIEWER: IF ONE PARENT IS DECEASED, SKIP Q. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]

[IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED "EVERY DAY OR ALMOST EVERY DAY," "A FEW TIMES A WEEK," "A FEW TIMES A MONTH," "ABOUT ONCE A MONTH," OR "ONLY A FEW TIMES IN THE PAST YEAR," TO ITEM C. 3, ASK ALL ITEMS IN SECTION F (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED). IF RESPONSDENT ANSWERED "HARDLY OR NEVER," SKIP Q. 5, 6, 7, 8]

- 1. Which of the following statements best describes your relationship with [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] when it comes to parenting? **(Survey Team/Fragile Families)** 
  - O We get along very well.
  - O We get along okay.
  - O We do not get along well at all.
  - o DK
  - o Ref

## <u>Family Routines</u>

2. In the last week, please tell me the number of days...

		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
a	Your family eats dinner together.								
b	And, how many days the evening meal is served at a regular time?								

[ECLS-B 24 month survey]

#### **Family Expressiveness**

3. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statements about your family?

	out your running.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	DK	Ref
a	Family members help and support one another.	1	2	3	4		
b	Family members express deep affection and love for one another.	1	2	3	4		
С	Family members are encouraged to express their thoughts and feelings.	1	2	3	4		
d	Family members fight a lot.	1	2	3	4		
е	Family members put one another down, or blame one another for family troubles.	1	2	3	4		

[Moos Family Environment Scale/Halberstadt, 1983)]

## **Aggravation**

4. Please tell me if you *strongly agree*, *agree*, *disagree*, *or strongly disagree* with the following statements.

		Strongly	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	DK	Ref
a	Being a parent is harder	agree 1	2	3	4		
-	than I thought it would be.  I feel trapped by my	1	2	3	4		
b	responsibilities as a parent.	1	2	3	•		
	I find that taking care of	1	2	3	4		
С	my child(ren) is more work than pleasure.						
	I am usually too busy to	1	2	3	4		
d	joke and play around with my child(ren).						
	Even when I'm in a bad	1	2	3	4		
e	mood, I show my child(ren) a lot of love.						
	By the end of a long day, I	1	2	3	4		
f	find it hard to be warm and						
1	loving toward my						
	child(ren).						

[Fragile Families, Mother 36-month follow-up; PSID-CDS II, Primary Caregiver Child Interview]

5. The following questions are about the ways in which parents raise their children. Please tell me how often the following statements are true for you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]:

		All of the time	Most of the time	Some of the time	Never	DK	Ref
a	When [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] is with the child(ren), he/she acts like the kind of parent you want for your child(ren)  Would you say	1	2	3	4		
b	You can trust [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] to take good care of the child(ren)	1	2	3	4		
С	[SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] supports you in the way you want to raise the child(ren)	1	2	3	4		

#### [Cognitive testing]

6. For each of these items, do you *strongly agree*, *agree*, *disagree*, *or strongly disagree* with the statement?

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly agree	DK	Ref
a	I believe that	1	2	3	4		
	[SPOUSE/FORMER						
	SPOUSE] is a good parent.						
b	When there is a problem	1	2	3	4		
	with the child(ren),						
	[SPOUSE/FORMER						
	SPOUSE] and I work out a						
	good solution together.						
С	When I'm having a rough	1	2	3	4		
	day with the (child)ren, I						
	can turn to						
	[SPOUSE/FORMER						
	SPOUSE] for support and						
	advice.						
d	When I have to make rules	1	2	3	4		
	for the child(ren),						
	[SPOUSE/FORMER						
	SPOUSE] backs me up.						

[Revised from Building Strong Families, First Follow-Up Father Survey]

7. Now I would like to read you a list of issues that parents may have disagreements about. For each one, please tell me how often you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] disagree.

	ugice.	Never	Hardly Ever	Sometimes	Often	DK	Ref
a	Setting rules and disciplining the child(ren)  Would you say	1	2	3	4		
b	The child(ren)'s daily routines and schedules	1	2	3	4		
С	Selecting child care or schools	1	2	3	4		
d	How money is spent on the child(ren)	1	2	3	4		
e	Who does childcare tasks	1	2	3	4		
f	Supervision and limit setting	1	2	3	4		
g	The activities that the child(ren) participate in	1	2	3	4		
h	The amount of time each of you spend	1	2	3	4		

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With the Child(ren)
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#### [Revised from ECLS-B, 9 and 24-Month Surveys Non-Resident Father Questionnaires]

8. People handle raising children and running a household differently. Please tell me if YOU or [SPOUSE] is primarily responsible for the following duties, or if you share the responsibility equally.

[INTERVIEWER: ASK THIS ITEM ONLY TO COUPLES WHO ARE INTACT AT FOLLOW-UP]

		My spouse is primarily responsible for	We share this responsibility equally	I am primarily responsible for	DK	Ref
a	Cooking/household chores?	1	2	3		
b	Running errands, like	1	2	3		
	picking up items from the					
	store?					
С	Caring for children?	1	2	3		
d	Handling finances, money,	1	2	3		
	paying bills?					
e	Earning family income?	1	2	3		

#### [New]

INTERVIEWER: Now, I'd like to ask you some questions about [FOCAL CHILD]...

# [IF NON-RESIDENTIAL PARENT OF FOCAL CHILD, ASK ITEMS 9 AND 10: IF RESIDENT PARENT OR COUPLE IS INTACT, SKIP TO Q. 11]

- 9. During the past month, how many times have/has [YOU] sent a card, letter, email, text message, or phone call to [FOCAL CHILD]? [NLSY97: round 1 youth]
  - o Never
  - Once or twice
  - O Three or four times
  - o More often
  - o DK
  - o Ref
- 10. During the past month, about how often did [YOU] see

[FOCAL CHILD]? [NLSY97: round 1 youth]

- O Not at all
- o Once or twice
- o Three or four times
- o More often
- o DK
- o Ref

[IF PARENT DOES NOT HAVE CONTACT  $\underline{OR}$  SEE FOCAL CHILD, GO TO ITEM 1 IN SECTION G]

IF [FOCAL CHILD] IS 5 YEARS OLD OR YOUNGER AT FOLLOW-UP ASK ITEM 11a – 11F.

# **Involvement/Engagement**

11. In the past month, how often did you ...

		Daily	Weekly	Less	Never	DK	Ref
				Often			
	Play inside with toys,	1	2	3	4		
a	such as blocks or legos						
	with [FOCAL CHILD]?						
	Take [FOCAL CHILD]	1	2	3	4		
b	for a walk or to play						
	outside?						
	Sing songs or nursery	1	2	3	4		
С	rhymes with [FOCAL						
	CHILD]?						
d	Read books or tell stories	1	2	3	4		
u	to [FOCAL CHILD]?						
	Deal with [FOCAL	1	2	3	4		
e	CHILD] when he/she did						
	something wrong?						
	Comfort or soothe	1	2	3	4		
f	[FOCAL CHILD] when						
	he/she is crying or upset?						

#### [ECLS-B]

IF [FOCAL CHILD] IS 6 - 11 YEARS OLD AT FOLLOW-UP ASK ITEM 12a – 12f.

# **Involvement/Engagement**

12. About how often in the past month have you:

		Daily	Weekly	Less Often	Never	DK	Ref
a	Talked with [FOCAL CHILD] about school, grades, and/or other things that (he/she) does at school?	1	2	3	4		
b	Spent time with [FOCAL CHILD] doing one of (his/her) favorite activities, like shopping, playing a sport, going to a movie, watching TV, or playing videogames?	1	2	3	4		
С	Talked with [FOCAL	1	2	3	4		

	CHILD] about (his/her) relationships with					
	friends?					
d	Dealt with [FOCAL	1	2	3	4	
	CHILD] when he/she did					
	something wrong?					
e	Comforted or sooth	1	2	3	4	
	[FOCAL CHILD] when					
	he/she was upset?					
f	Read a book with	1	2	3	4	
	[FOCAL CHILD] or talk					
	about a book he or she					
	was reading?					
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## [PSID-CDS]

IF [FOCAL CHILD] IS 12 - 15 YEARS OLD AND AT FOLLOW-UP ASK ITEM 13a - 13f.

# Involvement/Engagement

13. About how often in the past month have you:

		Daily	Weekly	Less Often	Never	DK	Ref
a	Talked with [FOCAL CHILD] about school, grades, and/or other things that (he/she) does at school?  Would you say	1	2	3	4		
b	Spent time with [FOCAL CHILD] doing one of (his/her) favorite activities, like shopping, playing a sport, or going to a movie, play, museum, or concert?	1	2	3	4		
С	Talked with [FOCAL CHILD] about (his/her) relationships, like (his/her) relationships with friends or someone (he/she) is dating?	1	2	3	4		
d	Dealt with [FOCAL CHILD] when he/she did something wrong?	1	2	3	4		
е	Talked with [FOCAL CHILD] about a personal problem he/she is having?						
f	Talked about a book						

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[FOCAL CHILD] was			
reading?			

#### [PSID-CDS]

IF [FOCAL CHILD] IS 6 - 15 YEARS OLD AT FOLLOW-UP ASK ITEM 14a – 14e.

# **Monitoring/Supervision**

14. Over the past month, how often did you know...

	. Over the past month, now of	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Almost	DK	Ref
		J			Never		
a	where (FOCAL CHILD)	1	2	3	4		
	was before and after						
	school?						
	Would you say						
b	who (FOCAL CHILD)	1	2	3	4		
	was with before and after						
	school?						
С	whether (FOCAL	1	2	3	4		
	CHILD) came home when						
	he/she was supposed to?						
d	whether (FOCAL	1	2	3	4		
	CHILD) had finished						
	his/her schoolwork?						
e	which TV programs	1	2	3	4		
	(FOCAL CHILD)						
	watched?						

#### [MFIP Report]

## Warmth and Harsh Discipline

15. [ASK Q. 15 IN REFERENCE TO ALL FOCAL CHILDREN] Over the past month, how many times did you...

		Daily	Weekly	Less Often	Never	DK	Ref
a	hug, kiss, or show other physical affection to [FOCAL CHILD]?	1	2	3	4		
	Was it						
b	How many times did you praise [FOCAL CHILD]?	1	2	3	4		
С	Yell, shout, scream at, or threaten [FOCAL CHILD]?	1	2	3	4		
d	Hit, spank, grab or use physical punishment with [FOCAL CHILD]?	1	2	3	4		

[MFIP; NEWWS]

#### **SECTION G: NON-RESIDENT INVOLVEMENT**

INTERVIEWER: ADMINISTER QUESTIONS 1 and 2 TO CUSTODIAL PARENT IF PARENTS DO NOT LIVE TOGETHER WITH FOCAL CHILD.

- 1. During the past month, how many times have/has [FORMER SPOUSE] sent a card, letter, e-mail, text message, or phone call to [FOCAL CHILD]? [NLSY97: round 1 youth]
  - o Never
  - Once or twice
  - O Three or four times
  - o More often
- 2. During the past month, about how often did [FORMER SPOUSE] see [FOCAL CHILD]? [NLSY97: round 1 youth]
  - O Not at all
  - o Once or twice
  - O Three or four times
  - o More often

#### **Child Support Payment (all ages)**

[IF RESPONDENT IS A NON-RESIDENT BIOLOGICAL OR ADOPTIVE PARENT, PLEASE ANSWER THE QUESTIONS DIRECTLY. IF THE RESPONDENT IS THE RESIDENT PARENT ANSWER THE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE NON-RESIDENT BIOLOGICAL PARENT'S PRACTICIES]

[IF FORMER SPOUSE IS NOT THE BIOLOGICAL PARENT OF FOCAL CHILD, DO NOT ASK MEASURES ABOUT CHILD SUPPORT.]

3.	Since [YOU/FORMER SPOUSE] stopped living with [FOCAL CHILD],
	have/has (you/he/she) ever contributed money or child support for [FOCAL
	CHILD]'s
	upbringing? [adapted from NSFG 2002]
	□Yes
	□ No (SKIP TO NEXT SECTION)
4.	Last month, how much money for child support did you/he/she give? [adapted
	from NSFG 2002, NCAMOUNT]
	Record Response
	$\Box$ DK
	$\square$ Ref

5. Thinking about child support, do you have a legal agreement, an informal								
	agreement, or no agreement at all with [FORMER SPOUSE]? [ECLS-B 9-month							
interview, BF200; Fragile Families Father 12 month interview, FC19A]								
□ Legal								
	□ Informal							
	$\Box$ $\mathbf{N}$	No arrangement						
		G						
6.	t money on [FOCAL							
CHILD]'s? [Fragile Families 36-month interview A1-A5, C30E1-5]								
			Yes	No				
	Α	Clothes?						
	В	Medicine/health care?						
	С	Schooling/child care?						
	D	Food?						
		•						

#### **SECTION H: CHILD OUTCOMES**

INTERVIEWER: ASK Q. 1A-1L TO BOTH PARENTS OF INTACT AND SEPARATED COUPLES. IF THERE ARE NO CHILDREN IN HOME OLDER THAN 1 YEAR, ASK ONLY Q. 1G AND 1L.

1. I am going to read a list of items that sometimes describe children. For each item, please tell me if this is true for (any of) your child(ren) during the *past three months*. INTERVIEWER: IF YES, ASK: WHICH CHILD?

				If yes, which child(ren)?
a	Have any of your child(ren) ever had an	0	Yes	
	accident or injury that required medical	0	No	
	attention?	0	DK	
		0	Ref	
b	Do any of your child(ren) hit, kick, push, or	0	Yes	
	hurt other children or adults outside the	0	No	
	family?	0	DK	
		0	Ref	
C	Do any of your child(ren) destroy things that	0	Yes	
	belong to others on purpose?	0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
d	Have you ever gotten a call or note home	0	Yes	
	because any of your child(ren) had a	0	No	
	behavior or discipline problem at	0	DK	
	daycare/school?	0	Ref	

e	Are any of your child(ren) very timid, afraid	0	Yes	
	of new things or new situations?	0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
f	Are any of your child(ren) high-strung,	0	Yes	
	tense, and nervous?	0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
g	Have any of your child(ren) been unhappy,	0	Yes	
	sad, or depressed?	0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
h	Do any of your child(ren) withdraw and	0	Yes	
	want to be alone a lot?	0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
i	Do any of your child(ren) smoke, drink, use	0	Yes	
	drugs, or skip school?	0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
j	Do any of your child(ren) have a lot of	0	Yes	
	difficulty getting along with their siblings?	0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
k	Do any of your child(ren) have a lot of	0	Yes	
	difficulty getting along with other children?	0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
1	Do any of your children have sleep	0	Yes	
	problems?	0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	

[ JOBS, ECLS-B, CD080, NCSH, National Survey of Children: Wave 1]

# **SECTION I: PARENTAL WELL-BEING**

# **Stress:**

Now I am going to ask you some questions about situations that may cause stress in your life. **(PSS, Cohen & Williamson)** 

1. In the last month, how often have you....

		Never	Hardly ever	Sometimes	Often	DK	Ref
a	Felt that you were unable to control the important things in your life?	1	2	3	4	d	ref
b	Felt that things were going your way?	1	2	3	4	d	ref
С	Felt confident about your ability to handle your personal problems?	1	2	3	4	d	ref

# **Financial Strain**

2. The next set of items will ask you to think about your feelings toward your and your family's financial situation. Please tell us how true the following statements are to your life. Respond with *not true at all, somewhat true, mostly true, or very true.* (Conger et al, 1999).

		Not true at all	Somewhat true	Mostly True	Very true	DK	Ref
a	I worry about paying my monthly bills.	1	2	3	5	d	ref
b	I worry that there won't be enough money to buy clothing, household items, food, and medical care.	1	2	3	5	d	ref
С	We never seem to have enough money to buy something we'd like to have or go somewhere just for fun.	1	2	3	5	d	ref

# **Mental Health**

3. These next questions are about feelings you may have experienced over the past 30 days. Choose only one option for each statement. During the past 30 days, how often did you feel...(National Health Interview Survey)

		Never	Hardly	Sometimes	Often	DK	Ref
			Ever				
a	so sad that nothing could cheer	1	2	3	4	d	ref
	you up?						
b	nervous?	1	2	3	4	d	ref
С	restless or fidgety?	1	2	3	4	d	ref
d	hopeless?	1	2	3	4	d	ref
е	that everything was an effort?	1	2	3	4	d	ref

f	worthless?	1	2	3	4	d	ref
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# **Physical Health:**

- 4. Would you say that your health in general is...(SAQ)
  - o Excellent
  - o Very good
  - o Good
  - o Fair
  - o Poor
  - o DK
  - o Ref

## **Substance Abuse:**

- 5. In the **last month**, have you had five or more drinks on any one day?
  - O Yes (Ask a, b, and c)
  - 0 No (Skip to Q. 6)

## In the **past month...(SAQ)**

		Yes	No	DK	Ref
a.	Have you felt you should cut down on your drinking?	$\mathbf{O}_1$	$\mathbf{O}_2$	d	ref
b.	Have people annoyed you by complaining about your drinking?	$\mathbf{O}_1$	<b>O</b> <sub>2</sub>	d	ref
c.	Have you ever felt bad or guilty about your drinking?	$\mathbf{O}_1$	$\mathbf{O}_2$	d	ref

- 6. In the last month, have you used drugs other than those prescribed by a doctor or purchased over the counter for illness?
  - O Yes (Ask d, e, f)
  - 0 No (Skip to Q. 7)

### In the **past month...(SAQ)**

		Yes	No	DK	Ref
d.	Have you felt you should cut down on your drug use?	$\mathbf{O}_1$	$\mathbf{O}_2$	d	ref
e.	Have people annoyed you by complaining about your drug use?	$\mathbf{O}_1$	$\mathbf{O}_2$	d	ref
f.	Have you ever felt bad or guilty about your drug use?	$\mathbf{O}_1$	$\mathbf{O}_2$	d	ref

- 7. In the past year, did [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] have problems keeping a job or getting along with family and friends because of alcohol or drug abuse? (Survey Team)
  - o Yes

- o No
- o DK
- o Ref

# SECTION J: ECONOMIC SECURITY AND MATERIAL HARDSHIP

# **Income**

Now, please tell me whether you, your spouse, children, or other family members who live in your household received income from these sources in the past month. This includes anyone who you support and who supports you and lives in your household.

1. Did you, [SPOUSE/CURRENT PARTNER], children, or other family members who live with you receive income from this source in the past month? **(BSF)** 

				(IF YES) How much did you receive [Fill in income source] in the past month?
a	Cash welfare which is also known as TANF, or	0	Yes	
	[Local name of TANF]?	0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
b	Food stamp benefits?	0	Yes	
		0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
С	Disability insurance such as Supplemental	0	Yes	
	Security Income (SSI) or Social Security	0	No	
	Disability Insurance (SSDI)?	0	DK	
		0	Ref	
d	Unemployment Insurance Benefits or UI?	0	Yes	
		0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
е	Child support?	0	Yes	
		0	No	
		0	DK	
		0	Ref	
f	Money from friends or relatives outside of the	0	Yes	
	household?	0	No	
		0	DK	

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- 2. In the past month, did you (or [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]/Current Partner, children, or other family members]) receive money from any other source, such as rent from boarders, other government benefits, or any other income we have not already talked about? [BSF]
  - o Yes
  - o No (Skip to Question 3)
  - o DK
  - o Ref
  - 2a. How much money from these other sources did you (or [Father/Mother/Current Partner, children, or other family members]) receive in the past month? **[BSF]** 
    - o Record Response
    - o DK
    - o Ref

# **Employment**

The next questions are about your work. [BSF]

- 3. Have you worked for pay at any time during the past 12 months? Please include odd jobs and temporary jobs.
  - o Yes
  - O No (Skip to Question 10)
  - o DK
  - o Ref
- 4. How many months did you work for pay in the past 12 months?
  - o RECORD RESPONSE
  - o DK
  - o Ref
- 5. Did you work for pay in the past month?
  - o YES
  - o NO (Skip to Question 10)
  - o DK
  - o Ref
- 6. What were your total earnings in the past month before taxes and other deductions? Please include tips, commissions, and overtime pay.

#### PLEASE ENTER IF RESPONDENT PROVIDED THE AMOUNT...

BEFORE TAXES WITHOUT PROBING	
BEFORE TAXES AFTER PROBING	
AFTER TAXES	
NOT SURE	

- 7. How many hours per week did you typically work last month?
  - o RECORD RESPONSE (Skip to Question 11)
  - o DK
  - o Ref
- 8. Thinking about the last month that you did work, what were your total earnings during that month before taxes and other deductions? Please include tips, commissions, and overtime pay.
  - o RECORD RESPONSE
  - o DK
  - o Ref
- 9. Which of the following best describes your usual weekly work schedule(s) at the job(s) that you worked during the last month you worked? Did you work a: [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY. If respondent worked more than one job, interviewer should mark the weekly work schedule for each job worked.]

a	Regular daytime shift	0	Yes
"	regular day time sinit		No
		0	
		0	DK
		0	Ref
b	Regular evening shift	0	Yes
		0	No
		0	DK
		0	Ref
С	Regular night shift	0	Yes
		0	No
		0	DK
		0	Ref
d	Rotating shift (one that changes regularly from days to evenings to	0	Yes
	nights)	0	No
		0	DK
		О	Ref
е	Split shift (one consisting of two distinct periods each day)	0	Yes
		О	No
		0	DK
		0	Ref

f	An irregular schedule (one that changes from day to day)	0	Yes
		0	No
		0	DK
		0	Ref
g	Something else? SPECIFY.	0	Yes
		0	No
		0	DK
		0	Ref

# **Difficulty Affording Basic Necessities**

10. In the past 6 months, has there been a time when you and your immediate family... [New Hope 24, New Hope 60, MFIP, CT, FTP, IWRE]

a	Were without telephone service for any reason?	0	Yes
		О	No
		О	DK
		0	Ref
b	Didn't pay the full amount of the rent or mortgage? <b>BSF</b>	0	Yes
		О	No
		О	DK
		0	Ref
С	Were evicted from your home or apartment for not paying the rent	0	Yes
	or mortgage? <b>BSF</b>	О	No
		О	DK
		0	Ref
d	Had service turned off by the gas or electric company, or the oil	О	Yes
	company wouldn't deliver oil because payments were not made?	0	No
	BSF	0	DK
		0	Ref
e	Had someone who needed to see a doctor or dentist, or go to the	О	Yes
	hospital but could not go because there was not enough money?	О	No
		О	DK
		0	Ref
e	Had to cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there	0	Yes
	wasn't enough money for food? (adapted from USDA)	О	No
		О	DK
		0	Ref

# <u>Residence</u>

- 11. Are you living in the same house or apartment as you were in {RA MONTH/YEAR}? [INTERVIEWER: DO NOT ASK THIS QUESTION IF THERE IS A REPORT OF EVICTION IN Q. 10] [New Hope 24]
  - o YES (Skip to Question 14)
  - o NO
  - o DK
  - o Ref
- 12. How many times altogether have you moved since {RA MONTH/YEAR}, including your most recent move?

NUMBER OF TIMES		
NUMBER OF TIMES	 	

# **SECTION K: SOCIAL SUPPORT**

# **Instrumental and Emotional Support.**

All people sometimes need help from others with different things in their lives.

1. Other than (SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE), is there someone you turn to...

т.	Other than (St OOSE/T OKIVIER ST OOSE), is there s	OIIICOII	c you turn to
a	If you needed \$100?	0	Yes
		0	No
		0	DK
		О	Ref
b	If you wanted to have fun and relax?	0	Yes
		0	No
		О	DK
		0	Ref
С	If you needed help taking care of your children in the	0	Yes
	case of an emergency?	0	No
		О	DK
		0	Ref
d	If you wanted to talk about things that are very	0	Yes
	personal or private?	О	No [SKIP TO Q. 3]
		0	DK
		О	Ref

[SHM Baseline, BSF, Chapin Hall Community Partnerships for Protecting Children (CPPC)]

#### Social Networks

- About how many people do you have in your life that you feel at ease with, can call about private matters, or can call on for help? These people can include clergy, close friends or relatives. Would you say that you have no one, one or two people like this, three to five, six to ten, or more than that?
  - o No one
  - One or two

	0	Three to five
	0	Six to ten
	0	More than that
	0	DK
	0	Ref
Socia	al Capita	l Community Benchmark Survey
3.	recreath	people are members of different organizations like church, job-related, tion, or fraternal or civic groups. Do you belong to any groups or clubs like [Penn State Marital Instability Study]
	0	Yes
	0	No
		DK
	0	Ref
4.	do/did family	back to you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE'S] relationship, how often you have trouble getting along with [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]'s and relatives?
		Often
		Sometimes
		Hardly ever
	0	Never
	0	DK Pof
	0	Ref
<u>Supp</u>	ort for M	<u>Iarriage</u>
	USE/FO	do you feel that your family interferes/interfered with your relationship with RMER SPOUSE]? Would you say: [New] Often
	0	
	0	Hardly ever
	0	Never
	0	DK
	0	Ref
	0	IXEI
6 И	_	do you feel that your friends interfere/interfered with your relationship
		E/FORMER SPOUSE? Would you say: [New]
	0	Often
	0	Sometimes
	0	Hardly ever
	0	Never
	0	DK
	0	Ref

# **SECTION L: LOCATING AND DEMOGRPAHIC INFORMATION**

# SOURCE FOR LOCATION INFORMATION: BSF

Before we end, I would like to find out a little bit more information about where you're from.

1.	0 0 0	you born in the United States? Yes [SKIP TO QUESTION 3] No DK Ref
2.	In wha	nt country were you born?
	0	SPECIFY
	0	DK
	0	Ref
3.	Do you	u speak a language other than English at home
	0	Yes, PROBE: And what language do you speak at home?
	0	No
	0	DK
	0	Ref
	<b>5</b> ( )	
4.	, ,	your child(ren) speak a language other than English at home?
		Yes
	0	No DV
		DK
	0	Ref
5.	(For a	ıll participants) How well do you speak English?
٠,	•	Very well
		Well
	0	Not well
	0	Not at all
	0	DK
	0	Ref
6.	people	S. is a country made up of many cultures and values that can change when live in this country. Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree,

	Strong	Iy   A	.gree   I	Disagree	Strongly	DK	Ref
	agree				disagree		
•	•	•	•	•	·		

a	I identify with American culture.	1	2	3	4	
b	[ASK ONLY IF BORN IN	1	2	3	4	
	ANOTHER COUNTRY] I					
	identify with the culture of					
	[COUNTRY OF ORIGIN].					

We are almost done. We will be sending you a check for [\$30] within the next two weeks. We need to make sure we have your correct address and some information on other people in case you move.

What is your full address?

PROBE: Can you spell the street name for me please?

PROBE: Is there an apartment number?

PROBE: Besides the P.O. Box, do you have a street address?

PROBE: Besides the P.O. Box, do you have a street address?	
ENTER ADDRESS LINE 1	
ENTER ADDRESS LINE 2	
ENTER NAME OF CITY	
ENTER STATE	
ENTER ZIP CODE	

What is your home phone number?

Home phone	
number	
Does not have a	
phone	
DK	
REF	

Whose name is that phone number listed in?

ENTER NAME	
Listed in Sample	
member's name	
DK	
REF	

Is there (a/another) phone number where you can be reached?

Home phone	
number	
No other phone	

DK	
REF	

Whose name is that phone number listed in?

ENTER NAME	
Listed in Sample	
member's name	
DK	
REF	

What is their relationship to you?

Relationship	
DK	
REF	

Do you (also) have a cell-phone or pager number?

Cell phone/pager	
number	
Does not have	
phone	
DK	
REF	

As part of the study, we will contact you again in about a year and a half. In case you move, we would like the name, address and telephone number of up to three relatives or close friends who would know where you are. We will only contact them if we have trouble getting in touch with you directly.

PROBE: Your grandmother or your mother or someone else who would always know where you are would be most helpful.

What is the first name of a person who would always know where you are?

PROBE: Can you spell that for me please?

INSTRUCTION: HIT DK IF THERE ISN'T A CONTACT

First name of	
contact	
No contact person	
DK	
REF	

And a middle name please?

PROBE: Can you spell that for me please?

MIDDLE NAME OF CONTACT

And a last name please?

PROBE: Can	you spell that for me ple	ease?
LAST NAME (	OF CONTACT elationship to you?	
Relationship	F 11 7 11	
DK		
REF		
KEI		
	have a nickname? ON: HIT ENTER IF NO	NICKNAME
NICKNAME	WILLIAM ENTER IT NO	TVICKIVALVIE
No Nickname		
DK		
REF		
KEI		
PROBE: Is the	you spell the street namere an apartment numbe	
	ENTER ADDI	RESS LINE 1
	ENTER ADDI	RESS LINE 2
	ENTER NAM	1E OF CITY
	ENTER	STATE
	ENTER Z	IP CODE
What is their home ph	one number?	
Home phone		
number		
Does not have a		
phone		
DK		
REF		
•	none number listed in?	
ENTER NAME		
Listed in Sample		

member's name

DK REF Could you tell me the name, address and telephone number of another relative or close friend who will know how to contact you a year and a half from now? PROBE: Can you spell that for me please?

INSTRUCTION:	HIT DK IF THERE	ISN'T A CONTACT

11.01110011111	
First name of	
contact	
No contact person	
DK	
REF	

And a middle name please?

PROBE: Can you spell that for me please?

### MIDDLE NAME OF CONTACT

And a last name please?

PROBE: Can you spell that for me please?

### LAST NAME OF CONTACT

What is their relationship to you?

Relationship	
DK	
REF	

Does [he/she] have a nickname?

INSTRUCTION: HIT ENTER IF NO NICKNAME

NICKNAME	
No Nickname	
DK	
REF	

What is their full address?

PROBE: Can you spell the street name for me please?

PROBE: Is there an apartment number?

PROBE: Besides the P.O. Box, do they have a street address?

ENTER ADDRESS LINE 1	
ENTER ADDRESS LINE 2	
ENTER NAME OF CITY	
ENTER STATE	

# **ENTER ZIP CODE** What is their home phone number? Home phone number Does not have a phone DK REF Whose name is that phone number listed under? ENTER NAME Listed in Sample member's name DK REF Could you tell me one more name, address and telephone number of a relative or close friend who will know how to contact you a year and a half from now? PROBE: Can you spell that for me please? INSTRUCTION: HIT DK IF THERE ISN'T A CONTACT First name of contact No contact person DK REF And a middle name please? PROBE: Can you spell that for me please? MIDDLE NAME OF CONTACT And a last name please? PROBE: Can you spell that for me please? LAST NAME OF CONTACT What is their relationship to you? Relationship DK **REF**

Does [he/she] have a nickname?

**NICKNAME** 

INSTRUCTION: HIT ENTER IF NO NICKNAME

No Nickname	
DK	
REF	

What is their full address?

PROBE: Can you spell the street name for me please?

PROBE: Is there an apartment number?

PROBE: Besides the P.O. Box, do they have a street address?

ENTER ADDRESS LINE 1
ENTER ADDRESS LINE 2
ENTER NAME OF CITY
ENTER STATE
ENTER ZIP CODE

What is their home phone number?

Home phone	
number	
Does not have a	
phone	
DK	
REF	

Whose name is that phone number listed in?

ENTER NAME	
Listed in Sample	
member's name	
DK	
REF	

Thank you very much for your time. Those are all the questions I have right now.

IF COUPLE IS INTACT AND/OR LIVING TOGETHER. Is [SPOUSE] available? I'd like to interview [him/her] too, if [he/she] are around.

If YES: Great, can you put him/her on the phone?

If NO: OK, when would be a good time to reach her/him.

INSTRUCTION: IF [SPOUSE] IS AVAILABLE, ASK TO SPEAK TO HIM/HER. CLOSE THE CURRENT CASE AFTER LEAVING A NOTE ABOUT THIS CASE AND OPEN [SPOUSE'S] CASE.

INSTRUCTION: IF [SPOUSE] ISN'T AVAILABLE, ASK FOR THE BEST TIME TO REACH HIM/HER AND RECORD ON [SPOUSE]'S CONTACT SHEET.

#### SUPPORTING HEALTHY MARRIAGE PROJECT

### Proposed Marital Interaction and Quality Outcome Measures, by Construct

#### **Communication Measures**

- Please tell me if you *strongly agree*, *agree*, *disagree*, *or strongly disagree* with the following statements about communicating with [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]:
  - o SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] understands that there are times when I do not feel like talking, and times when I do.
  - O It is hard for me to talk with [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] about the important things in our lives.
- Please indicate whether each of the following happens *all of the time*, *most of the time*, *some of the time*, *or none of the time*:
  - o [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] listens to me when I need someone to talk to.
  - o [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] and I talk about things that happened during our day.

#### **Sources:**

SHM Baseline, BSF, FACES II, Cowan & Cowan, and developed by the SHM Team through cognitive testing.

### **Disagreement and Conflict Resolution Measures**

- Please indicate whether each of the following happens never, hardly ever, sometimes, or often.
  - In the last three months, how often did you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] have a serious disagreement?
  - O In the last three months, when you had a serious disagreement with [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE], how often did you:
    - Just keep your thoughts to yourself?
    - Discuss your disagreements respectfully?
    - Argue in front of the children?
    - Work on it together to find a resolution?
- Please indicate whether each of the following happens *never*, *hardly ever*, *sometimes*, *or often*:
  - **o** Small issues suddenly become big arguments.
  - **o** [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] and I are good at working out our differences.
  - **o** When we argue, past hurts get brought up again.
  - [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] is rude and mean to me when we disagree.
- How often does each of the following happen (*all of the time, most of the time, some of the time, none of the* 
  - time)?
  - [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] and my arguments get very heated.
  - **o** After an argument, [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] and I stay mad at one another.

#### Source:

SHM Baseline, BSF, EHS, NSFH, ECLS-B, CCQ, GSRH, and developed by the SHM Team through cognitive testing.

Intimacy Measures	Source:
<ul> <li>For each statement please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree.</li> <li>O [SPOUSE] knows and understands me.</li> <li>O [SPOUSE] expresses love and affection towards me.</li> <li>O I can count on [SPOUSE] to be there for me.</li> <li>O I am comfortable expressing how I feel about sex with [SPOUSE].</li> <li>O I feel appreciated by [SPOUSE].</li> <li>O I trust [SPOUSE] completely.</li> <li>O [SPOUSE] respects me.</li> <li>Please tell me whether each of the following is happens all of the time, most of the time, some of the time, or none of the time.</li> <li>O [SPOUSE] and I have similar views about what is important in life.</li> </ul>	SHM Baseline, BSF, ENRICH, Walker and Thompson, ISS, and developed by the SHM Team through cognitive testing.
o I do things to show [SPOUSE] I value him/her.	
<ul> <li>Please indicate if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statements.</li> <li>O [SPOUSE] makes sacrifices for the good of our marriage.</li> <li>O I believe this relationship can stay strong even through hard times.</li> </ul>	Source: SHM Baseline, STMI, RRF, DTS, Commitment Inventory, and developed by the SHM Team through cognitive testing.
<ul> <li>I view our marriage as lifelong.</li> <li>Even if I was unhappy, I would stay married to [SPOUSE] because my family expects it.</li> <li>Even if I was unhappy, I would stay married to [SPOUSE] because of religious reasons.</li> <li>Even if I was unhappy, I would stay married to [SPOUSE] because of our children.</li> </ul>	
Time in Shared Experiences/Interaction Measures	Source:
<ul> <li>Please indicate if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statements.</li> <li>O [SPOUSE] and I have places to go or things to do that are special for us as a couple</li> <li>O We enjoy doing even ordinary, day-to-day things together.</li> <li>Please respond to the following questions with <i>daily</i>, 2-3 times per week, about once a week, 1-3 times a month, or never.</li> <li>O In the last month, how often did you and [SPOUSE] spend time together, just the two of you?</li> <li>O In the last month, how often did you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] spend time together with your children?</li> </ul>	SHM Baseline, BSF, NSFH, and developed by the SHM Team through cognitive testing.
Joint Commitment to Children and Extended Family Measures	Source:
<ul> <li>Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree that:</li> </ul>	BSF and developed by the SHM Team through

<ul> <li>o [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] is willing to make sacrifices to help take care of our kids.</li> <li>o [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] takes his/her responsibilities for our children seriously.</li> <li>o I could/can raise our kids just as well without [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE].</li> </ul>	cognitive testing.
• [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] supports me in the way I want to raise our child(ren).	
[Extended Family] Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or	
strongly disagree that:	
o I can count on [SPOUSE] to help with whatever problems my	
family faces.	
<b>o</b> [SPOUSE] respects and values my family.	
Fidelity Measures	Source: BSF
<ul> <li>Sometimes couples are not always faithful to each other. In the last three months, has [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] cheated on you with someone else? Would you say <i>definitely yes</i>, <i>probably yes</i>, <i>probably no</i>, or <i>definitely no</i>?</li> <li>In the last three months, have you cheated on [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] with someone else? Would you say <i>definitely yes</i>, <i>probably yes</i>, <i>probably no</i>, or <i>definitely no</i>?</li> </ul>	
Violence Measures	Source: SHM Baseline,
	PMWI
<ul> <li>In the last three months, how many times has [SPOUSE/FORMER</li> </ul>	
SPOUSE] Was it 0, 1, 2, 3-5, or 6 or more times?	
thrown something at you?	
pushed, shoved, hit, slapped, or grabbed you?	
<ul><li>used a knife or gun on you?</li></ul>	
• choked, slammed, kicked, burned, or beat you?	
<ul> <li>used force (like hitting, holding down, or using a</li> </ul>	
weapon) to make you have sex?	
• There are five response categories for the above items (0, 1, 2, 3-5, 6+ times).	
<b>o</b> In the last three months, how often have you felt afraid that	
[SPOUSE] would hurt you?	
o In the last three months, how often has [SPOUSE]: Was it	
never, hardly ever, sometimes, or often?	
• Accused you of having an affair?	
<ul> <li>Tried to keep you from seeing or talking with your</li> </ul>	
friends or family?	
<ul> <li>Kept money from you, made you ask for money, or taken</li> </ul>	
your money?	
Yelled or screamed at you?	
Made you feel stupid on purpose?	
Blamed you for his/her problems?	
Threatened to hurt you or the children?	
■ In the last three months, how often have your arguments	
become physical?	
Satisfaction Measures	Source:

- All things considered, on a scale from 1 to 7, where 1 is *completely unhappy* and 7 is *completely happy*, how happy are you with your marriage?
- How often are you satisfied with: Is it *all* of the time, most of the time, some of the time, or none of the time?
  - The way [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE]] and you communicate.
  - The way you handle you and [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] handle problems and disagreements.
  - The amount of time you spend together as a couple.
  - **o** The emotional side of your relationship.
  - **o** The responsibility [SPOUSE/FORMER SPOUSE] takes for raising the children.
  - **o** Your sex life.
  - **o** How you divide household chores.
  - o The way you handle your money and debt.

SHM Baseline, RELATE, ENRICH, and developed by the SHM Team through cognitive testing.

#### **Marital Stability Measures**

- Please respond with *yes* or *no*.
  - **o** In the last three months, have you thought about getting help for your marriage?
  - **o** In the last three months, have you ever thought your marriage was in trouble?
  - **o** In the last three months, have you spoken to anyone about the possibility that you and your spouse might separate or get a divorce?

#### SUPPORTING HEALTHY MARRIAGE PROJECT

# LETTER FOR TRACKING SURVEY SAMPLE SIX MONTHS AFTER RANDOM ASSIGNMENT

<<DATE>>
«RESPONDENT FIRST NAME» «RESPONDENT LAST NAME»
«ADDR1»
«CITY1», «STATE1» «zip10»
«phone10»

#### Dear «RESPFN»:

About six months ago you completed an interview when you first applied to participate in the <PROGRAM NAME> in <CITY>. This interview was part of a larger research study that you volunteered to participate in. Thank you for participating in that effort.

We are now planning the next stages of this study. During the next several months we would like to interview you again to see how your life has changed since you were first interviewed at the program.

To help us locate you for the next interview we have enclosed a form that we would like you to complete. Please check your address and telephone number on the following page. If your address and telephone number is different from the information listed, please make the appropriate corrections. If you have a second telephone number where we can reach you, please provide that information in the space provided.

Also, please provide us with the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of two people outside your household who usually know where to reach you. We would call these friends or relatives only if we cannot locate you at your address.

After you complete the following page, please return it to us in the enclosed postage-paid envelope. Or, if you prefer, you may call Abt Associates toll-free at 1-XXX-XXXX and give your updated information to an interviewer over the phone. Our phone center hours are (Eastern Time):

Monday through Friday: 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM Saturday: 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM Sunday: 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM

If you hear a recorded message, please leave your name, telephone number, along with your address update and the best time to call you. One of our interviewers will call you back very soon. **A \$2 bill has been included to thank you for your time and effort.** Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Brenda Rodriguez Senior Survey Director

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# AFTER YOU COMPLETE THIS FORM, PLEASE RETURN IT TO US IN THE ENCLOSED POSTAGE-PAID ENVELOPE.

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#### SUPPORTING HEALTHY MARRIAGE PROJECT

#### LETTER SENT TO INTRODUCE 12-MONTH DATA COLLECTION EFFORT

<<DATE>>

«RESPONDENT FIRST NAME» «RESPONDENT LAST NAME» «ADDR1» «CITY1», «STATE1» «zip10» «phone10»

Dear «RESPFN»:

In the <RADATE YEAR>, you had an interview with <PROGRAM NAME> in (CITY) as part of the Supporting Healthy Marriage project. At that time, you completed a questionnaire as part of a study about your household composition and your relationship with <R's PARTNER AT BASELINE>. Thank you for participating in that effort.

We want to interview you again to see how your life has changed since first meeting with the program. In the coming months, a professional interviewer will be in contact with you by phone or in person to set an appointment to conduct the interview.

All of the information you provide is strictly confidential. Your answers will be combined with other people's and will be reported together as a group. No individual responses will be identified. Your participation in this study will not affect any benefits you might receive now or in the future.

The interview will take about 50 minutes and we will give you \$30 in appreciation for your time. Some participants will be invited to take part in an in-home family interaction session. Upon completion of the in-home visit they will receive an additional \$25.

Listed at the top of this letter are the address and phone number we have for you in our records. If there is a better phone number or address where you can be reached, or if you have questions, please call our toll free number: **1-XXX-XXXX**.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Brenda Rodriguez Senior Survey Director

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#### SUPPORTING HEALTHY MARRIAGE PROJECT

OMB Control Number: 0970-0299 Expiration Date: 5/31/2009 Research ID: \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### Agreement to take part in the Supporting Healthy Marriage Study

You are invited to take part in an important project called Supporting Healthy Marriage. This project will study programs to help couples learn how to get along with each other. The programs will also help couples be better parents. They will also help couples get services to improve their employment or health. A research company called MDRC is doing the study. The federal government is paying for the study.

## This study is testing ways to help married couples get along.

This study will offer a new program [Local Program] to married couples. [Local program] will not have room for all couples who want to take part. Some couples will get to be part of [Local Program] but some couples will not. We will pick the couples who will get to be part of the [Local program] randomly, like flipping a coin. If we do not pick you, you can still get other services on your own.

# If you agree to be in the study, researchers will collect information about you and your children.

The information you share with the study team is important. It could help make these services available to other couples like you. At the start of the study, you and your spouse will be asked to answer some questions in private. These questions will ask you how well you get along with your spouse, how happy or sad you are, and what makes you upset.

If you agree to be in the study, you and your spouse will be interviewed one or more times over the next seven years by a survey company called Abt Associates. Abt Associates is part of the research team for this study. You will be asked about your marriage, how well you are getting along with your spouse, your experiences with [Local program], and your children. You might also be asked to let us do some activities with your children. You do not have to answer any question that you don't want to answer. You will get [gift amount] for each interview.

If you agree to be in the study, [Local Program] program will share information with the research team about the services you get over the next five years as well. We might also collect data from [State] about things like your wages and benefits. We might also collect data from [State] about services your children get, and your children's school test scores.

**Taking part in the study is your choice.** You may stop being in the study at any time. If you stop being in the study, we will use any information that we have collected before then.

### Your Answers Will Be Kept Private

Only the study staff will be able to see information you give them. Your name will never appear in any public document. All the study staff is trained to protect privacy. Information gathered from [State] about you or your children will be marked with a code number, not names. We also have a Confidentiality Certificate (CC) from the US government that adds special protection for the research information about you. It says we do not have to identify you, even under a court order or subpoena. Still, if keeping your answers private would put you, someone else or your child in serious danger, then we will have to tell government agencies to protect you or the other person. And, the government may see your information if it audits us.

### **Consent to Take Part in the Supporting Healthy Marriage Study**

#### I understand that:

- [Local Program] will not have room for all couples. A random selection process will decide if I can get [Local Program] services.
- If I cannot get [Local Program] services, I will still be part of the study. I can still get other program services in our community.
- I will be contacted by the study team later for an interview. Some of the questions will be about personal things and my feelings. I can refuse to answer any question.
- The study team might use my name or Social Security number to collect data from government agencies.
- All information will be kept confidential, except as required by law or if I request otherwise in writing. However, if a person on the study team or in the program feels that keeping information confidential would result in danger to me or another person, they will have to tell appropriate agencies to protect me or the other person.

#### I agree to:

**Participant** 

- Allow a random selection process to decide if I can get [Local Program] services.
- Answer some questions now and give the study team information about how to reach me for an interview later.
- Let the study team collect information on [Local Program] services that I receive.
- Let state and local agencies give information about me to the study team.
- Let the study team collect information about my children from me and from sources like state and local agencies.
- Allow schools to release my children's test scores.

I can call [NAME OF PERSON] toll-free at [TELEPHONE NUMBER] at MDRC to ask any questions I may have or to ask about not being part of the study anymore.

Name of Participant (Printed)		
Signature of Participant	Date	
Name of Person Administering this Form (Printed)		
 Signature of Person Administering this Form	Date	

# Consent for children under age 18 who live with you at least half the time

A. Study Participant's Child's Name (Printed)	
Signature of Child's Legal Parent or Guardian	Date
B. Study Participant's Child's Name (Printed)	
Signature of Child's Legal Parent or Guardian	Date
C. Study Participant's Child's Name (Printed)	
Signature of Child's Legal Parent or Guardian	Date
D. Study Participant's Child's Name (Printed)	
Signature of Child's Legal Parent or Guardian	Date
E. Study Participant's Child's Name (Printed)	
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