

# **Appendix G-2**

## **Fact Sheet Farmers' Market Consumers**

## **NYC HEALTH BUCKS EVALUATION FACT SHEET FARMERS' MARKET CONSUMERS**

### **ABOUT THIS STUDY**

This is a survey of New York City farmers' market shoppers. We want to learn your thoughts about farmers' markets. We also want to learn what you think about the New York City Health Bucks program.

This program gives out \$2 coupons called "Health Bucks." Shoppers can use Health Bucks to buy fresh fruits and vegetables in some New York City farmers' markets. The Farmers' Market Federation of New York runs this program for the NYC Department of Health. Abt Associates, Inc., a research firm, is studying the Health Bucks program for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). We will use your answers to learn how this program affects New York City farmers' markets. We will also learn how to make the program better.

The survey should take about 7 minutes.

### **RISKS OF TAKING PART IN THE STUDY**

Being in this survey has minimal risks for you.

### **COSTS AND FINANCIAL RISKS**

There are no costs for being in the survey.

### **POSSIBLE BENEFITS OF TAKING PART IN THE STUDY**

Being in this survey will help improve farmers' markets and the Health Bucks program. This could bring more cheap, healthy foods to your area.

### **COMPENSATION**

You will get a round trip MetroCard (worth \$4.50) for being in the survey.

### **DATA SECURITY**

Information collected as part of this survey will be maintained in a secure manner. Protections will be in place to safeguard your response to the maximum extent allowed by law. We will not ask your name, address, or phone number. We will keep forms in a secure, locked room at Abt Associates. We will enter your answers into a computer file. We will store the file with a password on a secure server at Abt Associates. We will only report your answers combined with answers from 2,000 other surveys. We will destroy all surveys at the end of the study.

### **TAKING PART IS VOLUNTARY**

You can choose not to fill out the survey. If you do not fill out the survey, there will be no penalty. Even if you agree to fill out the survey, you do not have to answer all the questions. Your choice will not change your relationship with CDC, the NYC Department of Health, or the Farmers' Market Federation of New York.

### **QUESTIONS**

You may call Lauren Olsho of Abt Associates Inc. (617-520-2326) to learn more. You may also call Teresa Doksum, IRB Administrator (617-349-2896), if you have other questions about your rights as part of this study. Calling these numbers will incur a toll.