Appendix A. Housing Counseling Study Follow-Up Survey – Foreclosure Mitigation Clients

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Introduction	
Hello this is I'm calling from IMPAQ International on behalf of the HUD Housing Counseling study. May I please speak to (RESPONDENT NAME)?	
IF NECESSARY, READ: "(RESPONDENT) has agreed to help with a study on housing counseling sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.	ıg
IF RESPONDENT IS NOT AVAILABLE COLLECT INFORMATION ON BEST TIME TO CAI BACK.	L
IF RESPONDENT IS AVAILABLE, CONFIRM THAT HE/SHE IS AN OUTCOME PANEL MEMBER.	
Recently we sent you a letter saying we would be calling to conduct a follow-up interview with you Did you receive that letter?	1.
☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ DON'T KNOW	
(The letter explained that/Good! As we mentioned in the letter,) we are doing a survey on behalf of the Housing Counseling Outcome study. About a year ago, you agreed to participate in a study that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is conducting on housing counseling. At that time, you received housing counseling services from (AGENCY NAME) and agreed to be interviewed once by telephone.	t
This interview will take about 30 minutes, and after you complete it, we will send you a \$20 money order as a thank you for taking the time to participate in this study. Participation in this study is voluntary and there are no penalties, now or in the future, should you decide not to participate. You contribution to this study is very important, however, and we do appreciate your participation. The answers to all the questions will be confidential and will never be linked by name to you individual We will be able to send you the \$20 to thank you for your participation after completing the interview.	ur
☐ CONTINUE ☐ REFUSED	

Section A: Satisfaction with Counseling Received

[RESPONDENT GROUP: ALL RESPONDENTS]

About a year ago [or AMOUNT OF TIME SINCE STUDY ENROLLMENT], starting in [MONTH AND YEAR OF ENROLLMENT], you received housing counseling services from [AGENCY NAME] for issues you were having with your mortgage payments.

I'd like to start by hearing your opinions on the housing counseling services you received.

1.	Overall, how satisfied were you with the housing counseling you received from [AGENCY NAME] starting in [ENROLLMENT DATE]? Would you say you were?				
		□ Some □ Neith □ Some □ Very	satisfied ewhat satisfied ner satisfied nor dissatisfied ewhat dissatisfied dissatisfied I'T KNOW USED		
2.	Did you	think the	counselor could have done more to help you resolve your mortgage issues?		
		DON'T I	KIP TO Q3 KNOW → SKIP TO Q3 ED → SKIP TO Q3		
	a.				
		mortgage			
	C.		nink the counselor should have been more supportive of your situation? YES NO DON'T KNOW REFUSED		

	 d. Do you think the counselor g situation? YES NO DON'T KNOW REFUSED 	ave you bad a	dvice or the v	vrong tools	to address yo	our
	e. Is there anything else you thin YES (SPECIFY: NO DON'T KNOW REFUSED			e done bette	r? If so, wha	at?
3.	Would you recommend housing coun	seling to anot	her person in	your situati	on?	
	□ YES□ YES, BUT NOT FROM□ NO□ DON'T KNOW□ REFUSED	THIS AGENO	CY			
4.	Since receiving counseling services following types of help or services, et			•		
		YES	NO	DK	REF	
a.	Financial education or help with money management?					
b.	Help with improving or repairing your credit?					
c.	Help with buying a home?					

d. Help with refinancing?

delinquency?

e. Help with addressing a mortgage

f. Help with bankruptcy issues?

5.	[FOR EACH SERVICE RECEIVED] Did you receive the service from [AGENCY NAME] or
	from a different agency?

		[AGENCY	DIFFERENT	DK	REF
		NAME]	AGENCY		
a.	Financial education or help with				
	money management?				
b.	Help with improving or repairing				
	your credit?				
c.	Help with buying a home?				
d.	Help with refinancing?				
e.	Help with addressing a mortgage				
	delinquency?				
f.	Help with bankruptcy issues?				

Section B: Steps Taken to Address Mortgage Concerns

[RESPONDENT GROUP: ALL RESPONDENTS]

Now I'd like to ask you a few more questions about the counseling services you received from [AGENCY NAME] in [MONTH AND YEAR OF STUDY ENROLLMENT] to help address problems that you were having with your mortgage. I am going to ask about some steps that you or your counselor may have taken to resolve your mortgage issues.

yo	your counselor may have taken to resolve your mortgage issues.				
1.	As part of the efforts to address your mortgage problems, did you enter into a repayment plan or forbearance agreement with your lender? [IF NEEDED: A repayment plan is when you make your regular monthly payments plus some extra to catch up over several months. A forbearance agreement is when the lender allows you to temporarily reduce or suspend your payments.]				
	 □ YES □ NO → SKIP TO Q4 □ DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO Q □ REFUSED → SKIP TO Q4) 4			
2.	Were you able to complete the repayment or	forbearance	plan?		
	 □ YES → SKIP TO Q4 □ NO □ DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO Q □ REFUSED → SKIP TO Q4) 4			
3.	I am interested in the reasons you were not a agreement. I am going to read you a list of apply to your situation.	•		•	
		YES	NO	DK	REF
a.	The payments were too high for what I could afford.				
b.	My financial circumstances changed.				
c.	I decided it was not in my best interest to continue making payments.				
d.	Was there some other reason you were unab agreement? If so, what was the reason?	le to comple	te the repayme	ent plan or forl	oearance

4.	partial clain your lender — —	tain a partial claim or partial release from your lender or mortgage insurer? A m or partial release means that you receive a no-interest or low-interest loan through r or mortgage insurer to bring your mortgage current. YES NO → SKIP TO Q5 DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO Q5 REFUSED → SKIP TO Q5
		was the amount of the partial claim?
	П	¢
		\$ DON'T KNOW
		REFUSED
5.	Did the len	der reduce the amount of your loan balance or principal?
		YES
		NO → SKIP TO Q6
		DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO Q6
		REFUSED → SKIP TO Q6
	a. What v	was the amount by which the principal was reduced?
	П	\$
		DON'T KNOW
		REFUSED
	D. I	
6.	-	stain a loan or grant from a source other than your lender or mortgage insurer to help pay for missed mortgage payments or other costs related to your overdue mortgage
	П	YES
		NO → SKIP TO Q7
		DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO Q7
		REFUSED → SKIP TO Q7
	b.What wa	s the amount of the loan or grant?
	П	¢
		\$ DON'T KNOW
		REFUSED
	c.What org	ganization provided the loan or grant?
	П	NAME OF ORGANIZATION:
		DON'T KNOW
		REFUSED

7.	Did yo	u declare bankruptcy? ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ DON'T KNOW ☐ REFUSED
8.	Did you	a get a loan modification or refinance your mortgage? ☐ YES, I GOT A LOAN MODIFICATION ☐ YES, I GOT A REFINANCE ☐ NO → SKIP TO SECTION C: CURRENT HOUSING SITUATION ☐ DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO SECTION C: CURRENT HOUSING SITUATION ☐ REFUSED → SKIP TO SECTION C: CURRENT HOUSING SITUATION
	a.	When did you modify or refinance your mortgage, that is, in what month and year? [INTERVIEWER: ENTER MONTH HERE AND YEAR IN THE NEXT FIELD]
		MONTH: YEAR: DON'T KNOW REFUSED
	b.	What is the term of your modified mortgage, that is, what is the total number of years over which mortgage payments are to be made? Is it:
		□ 30 years □ 15 years □ 40 years □ Some other amount of time (SPECIFY:) □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED
	C.	What type of mortgage is it? Is it a: ☐ Fixed rate mortgage ☐ Adjustable rate mortgage or ARM ☐ Interest-only mortgage ☐ Other type of mortgage (SPECIFY:) ☐ DON'T KNOW ☐ REFUSED
	d.	What is the interest rate on the new mortgage?
		□ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED

INSTRUCTIONS FOR INTERVIEWER: USE FOLLOWING TABLE TO CONVERT FRACTIONS INTO DECIMALS FOR INTEREST RATES. ENTER THE INTEGER FIRST THEN THE DECIMAL USING THE FOLLOWING:

1/8	$B^{TH} = 0.125$
1/4	$4^{\text{TH}} = 0.25$
3/8	$B^{\text{TH}} = 0.375$
	2 = 0.50
	$g^{\text{TH}} = 0.625$
	= 0.75
	$B^{\text{TH}} = 0.875$
//	J 0.075
e.	What was the amount of the new mortgage (i.e., the amount of the loan)? DON'T KNOW
	□ REFUSED
f.	Thinking back to the mortgage before it was refinanced or modified, what was the original interest rate on the mortgage? In other words, what was the interest rate on the loan when you first bought the house?
	□% INTEREST RATE □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED
g.	What was the original amount of the mortgage (i.e., the amount of the loan when you first bought the house)?
	□ \$ □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED

Section C: Current Housing Situation

[RESPONDENT GROUP: ALL RESPONDENTS]

The next questions ask about your current housing situation.

1.	-	rently live in the same home as when you sought counseling assistance in [MONTH R OF STUDY ENROLLMENT]?
		YES [CODE AS OWNER] NO → SKIP TO Q5 DON'T KNOW REFUSED
2.		nissed any of your mortgage payments at this time? You miss a payment when your overdue for an entire month.
		YES NO → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS REFUSED → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS
3.	-	monthly payments have you missed? VER NOTE: ENTER MONTHS]
		MONTHS DON'T KNOW REFUSED
4.	Have you r	eceived a notice of intent to foreclose from your bank or lender?
		YES NO DON'T KNOW REFUSED
		UNLESS Q1=NO, SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS
5.	[IF Q1=NC)] What happened to the home that you owned? Did you:
	_ _ _	Sell the home Lose the home to foreclosure → SKIP TO Q6 Execute a deed in lieu of foreclosure → SKIP TO Q6 Other (SPECIFY:) → SKIP TO Q6 DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO Q6 REFUSED → SKIP TO Q6

	a. When you sold the home, were	you able to	sell it for mo	re than the a	amount you	owed?
	☐ YES					
	□ DON'T KNOW					
	☐ REFUSED					
6.	I am going to read a list of reasons		-	been able to	o keep your	home. For
	each reason, tell me if it applies to y	our situatio	n.			
		YES	NO	DK	REF	7
	I did not have the financial					1
α.	resources needed to afford it.	,			_	
h	I could not reach the lender to talk					
υ.	about my situation.	,			_	
	I was not able to complete the					
с.	paperwork the lender required.	_	_			
d.						
u.	a loan modification.	_	_			
e.						
	owning my house because it was					
	worth much less than my					
	mortgage.					
f.	I was overwhelmed by the					
	challenges I was facing.					
						_
	g. Is there another reason you were not able to keep your home? If so, what was it?					
	☐ YES (SPECIFY:)					
	□ NO → SKIP TO Q7					
	□ DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO Q7					
	□ REFUSED → SKIP TO Q7					
	h. Is that it or is there another reason	on? If so w	hat was it?			
	☐ YES (SPECIFY:)		
	□ NO \			,		
	☐ DON'T KNOW					
	☐ REFUSED					
7.	What is your current living situation					
	☐ Live in a home that you		E AS NEW	UWNER]		
	☐ Live in a home that you					
	Live in a home that som					
	Live temporarily with formulaOther (SPECIFY:)		
	DON'T KNOW)		
	□ REFUSED					

8.	What ty	ype	of residence do you live in? Is it:
		A s	single-family home
		A t	townhouse or row house
		A١	unit in a condominium or co-op building
		A	mobile home
		A	multi-family home with two or more apartments that you also own
		So	me other type of housing (SPECIFY:)
		DO	DN'T KNOW
		RE	FUSED
			EWER: AFTER ENTER THE ADDRESS; PLEASE CONFIRM THE ADDRESS [FER 1 TO CONTINUE.]
		a.	Street 1:
		b.	Street 2:
		c.	City:
			State:
		e.	Zip:
		f.	DON'T KNOW
		g.	REFUSED

Section D: New Owners

[RESPONDENT GROUP: NEW OWNERS]

1.	How did you acquire your current home? Did you:			
	 □ Purchase it after leaving your last home at [ADDRESS AT TIME OF ENROLLMENT]? □ Already own it before you left your home at [ADDRESS AT TIME OF ENROLLMENT]? → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS □ Inherit it? → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS □ Receive it as a gift? → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED 			
2.	What was the purchase price of your current home?			
	□ \$ □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED			
3.	Did you finance the purchase of your current home with a mortgage?			
	 YES NO → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS REFUSED → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS 			
4.	What is the term of the mortgage, that is, what is the total number of years over which mortgage payments are to be made? Is it:			
	□ 30 years □ 15 years □ 40 years □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED			
5.	What type of mortgage is it? Is it a:			
	 □ Fixed rate mortgage □ Adjustable rate mortgage or ARM □ Interest-only mortgage □ Other type of mortgage (SPECIFY:) □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED 			

6.	What is	the	current interest rate on the mortgage?
		$\overline{\Box}$	
			REFUSED
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FR	ACTION	IS I	NTO DECIMALS FOR INTEREST RATES. ENTER THE INTEGER FIRST THEN
TH	E DECI	MA	L USING THE FOLLOWING:
1/8	$_{\rm TH} = 0.12$	25	
1/4	$_{\rm TH} = 0.25$	5	
3/8	$_{\rm TH} = 0.37$	75	
1/2	= 0.50)	
5/8	$^{\text{TH}} = 0.62$	25	
	= 0.75		
7/8	$_{\text{TH}} = 0.87$	75	
7.		wh	total amount of the mortgage? [IF NECESSARY: In other words, the total amount of en you first obtained it?]
		\$	
			DON'T KNOW
		ш	REFUSED
8.		ss a	ring your home, have you missed making your monthly mortgage or loan payment(s)? payment when your payment is overdue for an entire month. YES
			NO → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS
			DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS
			REFUSED → SKIP TO SECTION E: HOUSING PAYMENTS
9	How m	anv	payments have you missed?
٠.	110 W 111	-	ONE PAYMENT → SKIP TO Q10
			TWO PAYMENTS → SKIP TO Q10
			THREE OR MORE PAYMENTS
			DON'T KNOW
			REFUSED
	a.		ve you received a notice of intent to foreclose from your bank or lender? YES
			NO
			DON'T KNOW
			REFUSED

	□ NEITHER → SKIP TO 6c						
	□ DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO 6c						
	☐ REFUSED → SKIP TO 6c						
	a. [IF INCOME WENT DOWN] I am might have gone down and I'd like y						
		YES	NO	DK	REF		
a.	I or someone in my family had a business						
	venture that failed.						
b.	I or someone in my family lost a job.						
c.	I or someone in my family had pay or						
	hours go down.						
d.	I or someone in my family got injured or						
	had a medical emergency.						
e.	I or someone in my family became						
	disabled or developed a chronic medical						
c	condition.						
f.	I had a divorce or separation.						
g.	I had a death in family.						
h.	Any other reason your income went down? (SPECIFY:)						
	 IIF EXPENSES INCREASED] I am your expenses might have increased your situation. 		-	_	-		
		YES	NO	DK	REF		
a.	My mortgage payments increased.						
b.	My homeowners insurance increased.						
c.	My property taxes increased.						
d.	I or someone in my household had to pay						
	more for home repairs or maintenance.						
e.	I or someone in my household had to pay						
	more for credit card debt or other loans.						
f. My household's car expenses went up.							
g.	My household's medical expenses went						
	up.						
h. Any other reason your expenses increased?							

10. I'd like to learn about what caused you to fall behind on your mortgage payments. Did you fall behind because your income went down, your expenses increased, or both? [CHECK ONE]

□ BOTH (INCOME WENT DOWN AND EXPENSES INCREASED)

□ INCOME WENT DOWN□ EXPENSES INCREASED

FORDABLE	

Section E: Housing Payments

[RESPONDENT GROUP: ALL RESPONDENTS]

1.	separat mortga	ely for utilities, insurance, or p ges.	ent or mortgage payments (excl roperty taxes)? Include payme	ents on all outstanding
		UED MODTC ΛCE DAVMEN	TTS: \$	TO LZ
			13. φ	
		DON'T KNOW		
		REFUSED		
	a.	How often do you pay?		
		PER YEAR		
		PER MONTH		
		TWICE PER MONTH		
		ONCE EVERY TWO WEEK	S	
		PER QUARTER	.5	
		BI-ANNUAL/TWICE A YEAR	A D	
		DON'T KNOW	AN.	
		REFUSED		
		KETUSED		
2.	How m	uch do you pay for utilities, su	ch as electricity, heat, gas, and	water?
	\$			
		DON'T KNOW		
		REFUSED		
	a.	How often do you pay?		
		PER YEAR		
		PER MONTH		
		PER QUARTER		
		BI-ANNUAL/TWICE A YEAR	AR	
		DON'T KNOW		
		REFUSED		
3.	How m	uch do you pay for homeowne	rs or renters insurance (aside fr	om any payment made as
		a mortgage payment)?	·	
	\$			
		DON'T KNOW		
		REFUSED		

	_ _ _	How often do you pay? PER YEAR PER MONTH PER QUARTER BI-ANNUAL/TWICE A YEAR DON'T KNOW REFUSED
4.	any pay \$_	ERS AND NEW OWNERS ONLY] How much do you pay for property taxes (aside from yment made as part of a mortgage payment)? DON'T KNOW REFUSED
	_ _ _ _	How often do you pay? PER YEAR PER MONTH PER QUARTER BI-ANNUAL/TWICE A YEAR DON'T KNOW REFUSED
5.	homeo	ERS AND NEW OWNERS ONLY] Do you pay condominium or cooperative fees or where association dues? YES NO → SKIP TO SECTION F: EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO SECTION F: EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME REFUSED → SKIP TO SECTION F: EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME How much do you pay in condominium or cooperative fees or homeowner association dues?
	b.	DON'T KNOW REFUSED How often do you pay? PER YEAR PER MONTH PER QUARTER BI-ANNUAL/TWICE A YEAR DON'T KNOW REFUSED

Section F: Employment and Income

[RESPONDENT GROUP = ALL RESPONDENTS]

The next questions are about your employment situation and household income. Please report in whole dollars only.

What is your current work status? Are you: (CHECK ONE.) Employed full-time Employed part-time A homemaker or student Unemployed, looking for work Unemployed, not looking for work Temporarily laid off or on leave Retired or disabled DON'T KNOW REFUSED
What is your gross monthly income? (Include all sources of income and the income of other members of your household with whom you own or rent your home.) □ \$ → SKIP TO Q3 □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED → SKIP TO Q3
 b. How much do you and other members of your household make in a year, before taxes? □ \$ □ DON'T KNOW → SKIP TO Q3 □ REFUSED → SKIP TO Q3
 c. So that's about [ANNUAL AMOUNT DIVIDED BY 12] per month. Does that sound about right? □ YES □ NO □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED

3. Does your gross monthly income include:

		YES	NO	DK	REF
a.	Income from employment?				
b.	Interest, dividend, or other investment income?				
c.	c. Child support payments, alimony, or maintenance				
	payments?				
d.	Social Security retirement or disability benefits?				
e.	Other pensions or retirement income?				
f.	Unemployment benefits?				
g.	Other income?				

4.	How much money do you have in <u>savings</u> ? ("Savings" includes money in checking accounts,
	savings accounts, money market accounts, certificates of deposit, mutual funds, brokerage
	accounts, savings at home, savings with others who are keeping it safe, and any other kinds of
	savings. Include your savings as well as the savings of other members of your household with
	whom you own or rent your home.) If you are not sure, please give your best estimate.

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	DON'T KNOW
	REFUSED

5.	How much money do you have in retirement accounts, such as 401(k) accounts, 403(b) accounts,
	or IRAs? (Include your retirement accounts as well as those of other members of your household
	with whom you own or rent your home.) If you are not sure, please give your best estimate.

\$	
	DON'T KNOW
	REFUSED

Section G: Change in Household Circumstances since Study Enrollment

[RESPONDENT GROUP: ALL RESPONDENTS]

The next questions are about how your household circumstances may have changed since you first went to [AGENCY NAME] for assistance in [MONTH AND YEAR OF ENROLLMENT].

1.	How has your overall financial condition changed? Would you say it has:	
	 □ Improved substantially □ Improved slightly □ Not changed □ Worsened slightly □ Worsened substantially □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED 	
2.	Have you experienced any of the following changes in your household since [ENROLLMENT MONTH AND YEAR]? Have you: (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)	
	 □ Married or moved in with a partner □ Divorced or separated from a spouse or partner □ Moved in with other relatives or friends □ Had a child(ren) or added a child to your household □ Experienced some other change to your household (SPECIFY): □ DON'T KNOW □ REFUSED 	

Section H: Closing and Contact Information

[RESPONDENT GROUP: ALL RESPONDENTS]

Thank you very much for your time. We are almost done. We will be sending you a money order for \$20 to thank you for your participation within the next four to six weeks. To make sure we send your check to the correct address, we would like to confirm your correct address, as well as a mailing address if it differs from your home address. This information will be kept strictly confidential.

1. Is [OR	IGINAL ADDRESS/ADDRESS GIVEN IN Q21] your current home address?
	YES → SKIP TO Q2 NO REFUSED DON'T KNOW
a.	May I please have your current home address?
RI	ECORD HOME ADDRESS:
ST	REET (INCLUDE UNIT #):
Cľ	TY, STATE, ZIP:
-	EWER: AFTER ENTERING THE ADDRESS; PLEASE CONFIRM THE ADDRESS BY IT BACK TO CONFIRM SPELLING, THEN ENTER 1 TO CONTINUE.]
2. Is [HO	ME ADDRESS] also your mailing address?
	YES → SKIP TO CLOSING NO REFUSED DON'T KNOW
a.	May I please have your mailing address?
RE	ECORD MAILING ADDRESS:
ST	REET (INCLUDE P.O. BOX):
Cľ	ГҮ, STATE, ZIP:
_	EWER: AFTER ENTERING THE ADDRESS; PLEASE CONFIRM THE ADDRESS BY

CLOSING: Thanks again for taking the time to speak with me today. If you have any questions about this study, please call the Project Director, Jennifer Turnham, at Abt Associates at 1-410-382-4837, or you may leave a message on our toll-free number: 1-877-367-0088.			