

National Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program Survey

Assessing State Programs' Community-Clinical Linkages and Related Technical Assistance Needs

INVITATION E-MAIL WITH SURVEY LINK

Dear [State Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program Manager],

As you may know, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's Division for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention (DHDSP), working in collaboration with RTI International, is in the midst of a 5-year evaluation of the National Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention (NHDSP) program. The purpose of the evaluation is to assess the impact of state Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention programs and to assess the extent to which the national program is making progress toward reaching its goals and objectives.

We would like to invite you to participate in a web-based survey to provide information on how DHDSP can best support Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention programs in implementing and evaluating community-clinical linkages and related technical assistance needs. This survey should take no more than 25 minutes to complete.

Please note that this survey is different from the web-based survey being administered to evaluate the Institute of Medicine (IOM) "A Population-Based Policy and Systems Change Approach to Prevent and Control Hypertension" report.

Please review the tips for completing the NHDSP survey in Survey Monkey provided at the end of this message, then click on the following web link to access the survey:

[INSERT WEB LINK]

**Please note that the link to the surveys may not open if you are working from a Blackberry or other handheld device.*

Thank you for your willingness to participate. Please contact Dr. Curtis via e-mail: lcurtis@rti.org or phone: 770-407-4913, if you have any questions or comments about this survey.

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Tips for Completing the NHDSP Survey in Survey Monkey:

- The link to the surveys may not open if you are working from a Blackberry or other handheld device.
- Survey Monkey automatically saves your responses, so you may resume completion at a subsequent time by clicking on the survey web link from the same computer you used to access the survey initially.
- You may exit the survey at any time by clicking the "Exit" button in the top right hand corner of the survey.
- You may navigate back and forth between survey pages by using the "Previous" and "Next" buttons at the bottom of the screen.