

Attachment D - Initial Contact Letter

Dear [Name],

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) is conducting an important research survey of Primary Care Physicians (PCPs) in settings with at most ten PCPs to better understand how behavioral health concerns such as depression, anxiety, and substance abuse are addressed and managed in these settings. As a PCP we need your help to understand and improve coordination between primary care and behavioral health care.

This survey is being conducted with a selection of PCPs from a subset of states in the United States. Your participation in this survey is voluntary, but your responses will help to ensure the survey accurately represents all physicians providing primary care to patients in the United States.

The survey will take no more than ten minutes of your time. Please take a few minutes to fill out this survey and mail it back in the postage-paid envelope provided. Please be assured that your responses will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law, including AHRQ's confidentiality statute, 42 USC 299c-3(c). That law requires that information collected for research conducted or supported by AHRQ that identifies individuals or establishments be used only for the purpose for which it was supplied unless you consent to the use of the information for another purpose. Westat, a private research firm, is conducting this study for us and will adhere to rigorous data security procedures. If you have any questions, please call [phone number].

As a token of our appreciation for your time we are enclosing \$25. We greatly appreciate your valuable contribution to this important study.

Sincerely,