

**Office of Dietary Supplements  
National Institutes of Health**

**Dietary Supplement Research Practicum Participant Survey**

The staff of the Office of Dietary Supplements of the National Institutes of Health/U.S. Department of Health and Human Services appreciates your willingness to complete this survey and provide feedback on the annual Dietary Supplement Research Practicum that you attended. The goal of this survey is to determine how well the practicum met attendees' needs and contributed to their research, clinical practice, and/or education on dietary supplements.

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Thank you for your valuable feedback.

1. Please indicate the type of institution you were employed with when participating in the practicum and for which you are currently employed. *(Select all that apply.)*

<b>Institutional Affiliation</b>	<b>During Practicum</b>	<b>Current</b>
Academic institution	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research institution	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Company/business	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clinical practice (as MD)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clinical practice (other health care provider)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Government agency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other <i>(specify)</i> : _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other <i>(specify)</i> : _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. Please indicate your position when you were participating in the practicum and now. *(Select all that apply.)*

<b>Position</b>	<b>During Practicum</b>	<b>Current</b>
Dentist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Doctor of Osteopathy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Masters or Doctoral Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Post-doctoral Student/Fellow	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medical Doctor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nurse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nutritionist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Pharmacist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical Therapist, Physical Trainer, Kinesiologist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research Scientist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
University/College Faculty	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Health Practitioner ( <i>specify</i> ):	_____	_____
Other Professional ( <i>specify</i> ):	_____	_____

3. How did you first hear about the practicum? (*Select one.*)
- a. Department chair
  - b. Professor
  - c. Colleagues
  - d. Professional meeting
  - e. Workplace/institution
  - f. The Office of Dietary Supplements website
  - g. Direct notification from the Office of Dietary Supplements
  - h. Other (*please specify*): \_\_\_\_\_
4. Thinking back to when you first were interested in participating in the practicum, why were you interested in this opportunity to learn about dietary supplements? (*Select all that apply.*)
- a. For teaching purposes
  - b. For research purposes
  - c. For your practice as a health care provider
  - d. For future career choices
  - e. Opportunity to network with other professionals interested in dietary supplement research
  - f. Other (*please specify*): \_\_\_\_\_
5. How valuable did you find the practicum during your participation and what is your perception of its value now?

	<b>Very Valuable</b>	<b>Valuable</b>	<b>Somewhat Valuable</b>	<b>Not Valuable</b>
While attending practicum	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Currently	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*If you answer that your current perception of the practicum is "not valuable," skip to question 7.*

6. How have you benefited from participating in the practicum?
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
7. Did you find the meeting binder helpful to have during the time of the practicum?
- a. Yes.

b. No—Please specify why not:

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8. Have you used the binder materials since participating in the practicum?

a. No

b. Yes—Please specify how you used the materials:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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9. Have you used the knowledge gained during the practicum to create new resources or to enhance existing ones at your workplace?

a. No—Skip to question 11

b. Yes—Please complete the following table. (*Select all that apply.*)

	<b>Enhanced Existing Resources</b>	<b>Created New Resources</b>
Curriculum for existing courses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New courses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New research grant application	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research methods	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research agenda	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nonacademic educational materials on dietary supplements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other ( <i>specify</i> ):	_____	_____

10. Are there other ways you have used the practicum or it has influenced your research/practice?

a. No

b. Yes—please specify:

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11. Have you worked with other practicum participants in activities or projects as a result of your practicum experience?

a. No

b. Yes—please specify:

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12. Do you have any plans you have not yet implemented that you would attribute to your practicum participation?

a. No

b. Yes—please specify:

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13. Have you faced any barriers to implementing new activities on dietary supplements?

a. No

b. Yes—please specify:

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14. In your department or institution, are there courses or course modules offered on dietary supplements?

a. No, we don't have any

b. Yes—please specify course name and department: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Does not apply; I am not working in an academic setting.

15. In your department or institution, is any research currently being done on dietary supplements?

a. No.

b. Yes—please specify research grant, principal investigator, and department: \_\_\_\_\_

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c. Does not apply; I am not working in an academic setting or research institution.

16. Do you have any suggestions of professional groups that the Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) should recruit for the practicum?

a. No

b. Yes—please specify:

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17. ODS is considering developing some type of networking group or activity. Please indicate whether you would be interested in participating in any of the following (*Select all that apply.*):

a. Read a newsletter.

b. Actively contribute to an online community to share resources, ideas, etc.

c. Attend a networking session at a national conference.

- d. Attend a workshop at a national conference.
- e. Other ideas (*please specify*): \_\_\_\_\_
- f. I am not interested in participating.

18. If there is any other information that you would like to share with ODS regarding the practicum?

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If you have material that you would like to share with ODS, please send to:

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***Thank you for your time and effort in helping us improve our practicum program.***

Please provide your email address if you are willing to have us contact you if we have questions about your responses to this survey: \_\_\_\_\_