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NORC E-mail Notification for State and Territorial Preparedness Directors

Dear Preparedness Director:

On behalf of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), NORC at the University of Chicago is conducting a study entitled "Practice-Based Needs and Research Questions Related to Public Health Emergency Preparedness Capabilities." A few days ago, you received a letter from the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) describing the study. The goal of the study is to identify which areas of public health emergency preparedness and response need additional research to validate, improve, and better inform programmatic and policy decisions. As part of this study, we are asking all state and territorial health departments to participate in an assessment to identify the extent to which questions related to public health emergency preparedness and response are important areas for future research.

The assessment is available in an electronic format. Please go to <http://www.xxx.org> and follow the instructions on the screen to complete the assessment online.

The assessment is estimated to take 30 minutes or less to complete. Your responses will help CDC to better understand the public health practice research needs and priorities for public health preparedness and response. Your open and honest feedback is appreciated. Your participation is voluntary, and you may skip questions or stop the assessment at any time without any adverse consequences. Data from the assessment will be shared with CDC, but will not be linked to the identity of a particular respondent or organization. For more information about this assessment, please contact Michael Basso at MBasso@cdc.gov.

Thank you in advance for your participation in this very important study.

Sincerely,

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