

# ***Attachment 11***

## ***Special Study/Pretests***

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Up to 2,500 additional persons (non-NHANES respondents) might participate in tests of procedures or special studies if budgeted. The average burden for these special study/pretest respondents is 3 hours. This may include cognitive testing of questions proposed for inclusion in NHANES. This would be done to make sure that wording of proposed questions are clear and understandable to potential respondents. Another example would be testing an examination procedure to see if it could be done in a small enough space and fast enough time frame, to make if feasible to do in the NHANES Mobile Examination Center (MEC). Special studies could also include the option to plan and test additional Health and Nutrition Examination Studies yet to be proposed. Such a project would be an additional data collection effort focused on a specific age group and/or topic. The interview and/or examination content would be all, or a subset, of the concurrent NHANES content with minor differences. An example might be to sample children such as was done for the NHANES National Youth Fitness Survey (NYFS). Another example might be a sample of adults that receive an abbreviated examination plus a 24-hour urine in an independent sample from the current NHANES.