**U.S. Department of Education – Office of Innovation and Improvement Grantee Viewpoint Survey -**

**INTRODUCTION**

The Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII) of the Department of Education is committed to better serving its grantees. In addition to the annual Grantee Satisfaction Survey, we are conducting a targeted survey to better understand your reactions to our current services and products and how we can improve them.

Please note that this survey refers to your experience as a grantee for your current grant. If you have any questions about this survey, please contact your program officer or Ayesha Edwards at [ayesha.edwards@ed.gov](mailto:XXX.XXX@ed.gov).

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* Arts in Education - Model Development and Dissemination (AEMDD)
* Professional Development for Arts Educators (PDAE)
* Magnet Schools Assistance Program (MSAP)
* Supporting Effective Educator Development (SEED)
* School Leadership Program (SLP)
* Transition to Teaching (TTT)
* Promise Neighborhoods (PN)
* Investing in Innovation (i3)
* Ready to Learn (RTL)
* Charter Schools Program - Charter Management Organizations (CMO)
* Charter Schools Program - Credit Enhancement
* Charter Schools Program - State Education Agency (SEA)
* Charter Schools Program - Non-State Education Agency (Non-SEA)

**COMMUNICATION**

2. Are you satisfied with the **frequency of communication** with your ED Program Contact? Indicate your satisfaction by checking the number in the line below.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied (4) | Very Satisfied (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Frequency of communication |  |  |  |  |  |  |

3. How important are the following **communications activities** to you? Rate each activity by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not important (1) | Slightly important (2) | Somewhat important (3) | Important (4) | Very important (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Project director meeting |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Conference calls |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Webinars |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Periodic scheduled meetings |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Site visits |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Telephone calls with your ED Program Contact |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E-mail notifications (e.g. mass e-mails or newsletters) |  |  |  |  |  |  |

4. How effectively does your ED Program Contact **communicate with you** through these activities? Rate each by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Ineffective  (1) | Slightly effective  (2) | Somewhat effective  (3) | Effective (4) | Very effective  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Project director’s meeting |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Conference calls |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Webinars |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Periodic scheduled meetings |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Site visits |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Telephone calls with your ED Program Contact |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E-mail notifications (e.g. mass e-mails or newsletters) |  |  |  |  |  |  |

5. Evaluate how **satisfied you are with communications with your ED Program Contact** in the following areas. Rate each by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied (4) | Very Satisfied (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Provides guidance on reports and budget |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Advises on the technical aspects of project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Helps your project meet its goals |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Communicates expectations for your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Collaborates in a courteous and professional manner |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provides sources of information that you can use to conduct your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |

6. How would you **improve communication** between you and your ED Program Contact?

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**INFORMATION AND RESOURCES**

7. How useful were each of the following information sources in planning and developing your most recent OII grant application? Rate each information source by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not useful (1) | Slightly useful (2) | Somewhat useful (3) | Useful (4) | Very Useful (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Notice of proposed priorities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Notice of final priorities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Notice inviting applications |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pre-application workshop/ webinar |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other grant materials on the ED website |  |  |  |  |  |  |

8. To what extent did OII provide the **information you needed** related to the following processes in your most recent OII grant? Rate how complete the information provided to you was by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not complete (1) | Slightly complete (2) | Somewhat complete (3) | Mostly complete (4) | Entirely complete (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Grant application process |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Peer review process |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grant award process |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grant continuation process |  |  |  |  |  |  |

9. To what extent has OII provided the **information you need** about each of the following topics? Rate how complete the information provided to you is by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not complete (1) | Slightly complete (2) | Somewhat complete (3) | Mostly complete (4) | Entirely complete (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Structure and content of a successful application |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Requirements for a no-cost continuation |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best practices of a successful grant project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Federal law, regulations, statues, and guidance relevant to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Connection to communities of practice |  |  |  |  |  |  |

10. How would you improve the quality, timeliness and types of information that OII has provided about your grant application, program, and project?

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**REPORTING**

11. Evaluate the effort that you expend on the following report activities. Rate the burden for each reporting activity by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Minimal burden (1) | Minor burden (2) | Some burden  (3) | Moderate burden  (4) | Excessive burden  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Writing annual performance report |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Writing supplemental performance reports |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Writing final performance report |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Providing updates on GPRA measures, and objectives |  |  |  |  |  |  |

12. How valuable are these reports in terms of helping to inform improvement in grant implementation? Rate the value of the reporting activity by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not valuable (1) | Slightly valuable (2) | Somewhat valuable  (3) | Valuable  (4) | Extremely valuable  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Writing annual performance report |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Writing supplemental performance reports |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Writing final performance report |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Providing updates on GPRA measures, and objectives |  |  |  |  |  |  |

13. Identify the **primary problem** you face in completing each report type. Check the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Time required to collect and analyze data for the report  (1) | Time required to prepare the report  (2) | Reporting deadlines precede data availability (e.g., test results)  (3) | Unclear or inadequate instructions for the report  (4) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Writing annual performance report |  |  |  |  |  |
| Writing supplemental performance reports |  |  |  |  |  |
| Writing final performance report |  |  |  |  |  |
| Providing updates on GPRA measures and objectives |  |  |  |  |  |

14. Do you have any recommendations for making report preparation less burdensome? Do you have any recommendations for improving the usefulness of the reporting process to you?

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**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

15. How do you receive most of the technical assistance provided to support your grant?

* From your ED Program Contact
* From a third party contractor
* From both your ED Program Contact and a third party contractor depending on the type of assistance

16. How would you prefer to receive technical assistance?

* From your ED Program Contact
* From a third party contractor
* From both your ED Program Contact and a third party contractor depending on the type of assistance

17. Evaluate the importance of the following types of technical assistance. Rate the importance of each type of technical assistance by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not important (1) | Slightly important  (2) | Somewhat important  (3) | Important (4) | Very important (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Content knowledge related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Monitoring support related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Evaluation support related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best practices for operation/design of your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Knowledge of federal law, regulations and statues related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |

18. Evaluate the effectiveness of different types of technical assistance OII delivers. Rate the effectiveness of each type of technical assistance by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Ineffective (1) | Slightly effective  (2) | Somewhat effective  (3) | Effective (4) | Very effective  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Content knowledge related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Monitoring support related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Evaluation support related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best practices for operation/design of your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Knowledge of federal law, regulations and statues related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |

19. How would you improve the effectiveness of the technical assistance provided by OII staff? How would you improve the effectiveness of the technical assistance provided by third party contractors?

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**OVERALL SATISFACTION**

20. Overall are you satisfied with the services that OII provides in support of your grant? Rate your satisfaction by checking a box in the line below.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied  (4) | Very Satisfied (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Overall satisfaction with the services that OII provides in support of your grant |  |  |  |  |  |  |

21. Identify any additional recommendations for ways to improve your satisfaction with the services provided by OII in support of your grant?

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22. In the past year, has OII placed your organization on some form of corrective action or imposed special conditions on your grant? This could include setting route payment flags, implementing cost reimbursement, withholding partial or full funds for continuation award, requiring pre-approval of certain expenditures or activities that typically would not require prior approval, or requiring submission of detailed financial and performance reports on a quarterly basis.

* + Yes
  + No

**Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination Program Specific Questions**

**ARTS IN EDUCATION – MODEL DEVELOPMENT AND DISSEMINATION (AEMDD)**

1. Within the Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination program, a significant proportion of grantees face the risk of having budget carryovers from one year to the next. Identify the **primary reason** you encounter for budget carryovers.

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|  | Primary reason for budget carryovers |
| Infrequent drawdown by grantee finance office |  |
| Overestimated budget required to complete tasks |  |
| Delayed start to project |  |
| Planning for no-cost extension for fifth year |  |
| Unable to implement or complete tasks or activities that were included in the original application |  |
| Other reason – Please describe |  |

1. There can be obstacles in providing complete and accurate annual performance report data. Examples of inaccuracies in project performance data have included: 1) data that claims to track an agreed upon performance benchmark but in fact does not, 2) data that tracks a benchmark different from that agreed upon, or 3) data that incorrectly supports a claim that a benchmark was met. Identify the **primary obstacle** to providing complete and accurate project performance data. Select the appropriate option below.

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|  | Primary obstacle in completely and accurately providing program performance data |
| Lack of understanding of metric definition |  |
| Lack material resources for data collection |  |
| Lack skills necessary for data collection |  |
| Lack support from school district administration |  |
| Lack support from school administration |  |
| Lack support from teachers |  |
| Lack data from testing services |  |
| Other reasons – Please describe |  |

1. There can be obstacles in providing complete and accurate GPRA data. Identify the **primary obstacle** you encounter in completely and accurately providing GPRA data. Check the appropriate line below.

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|  | Primary challenge in completely and accurately providing program performance data |
| Lack of understanding of metric definition |  |
| Lack material resources for data collection |  |
| Lack skills necessary for data collection |  |
| Lack support from school district administration |  |
| Lack support from school administration |  |
| Lack support from teachers |  |
| Lack data from testing services |  |
| Other reasons – Please describe |  |

4. For data collection in your treatment schools, what practices have worked best to ensure the creation of complete and accurate GPRA or performance data as inputs to project evaluation?

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5. What practices have worked best to ensure participation by your control schools in the data collection process?

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**CSP Non-SEA Program-Specific Questions**

**CHARTER SCHOOLS PROGRAM - NON-STATE EDUCATION AGENCY (NON-SEA)**

1. The CSP (non-SEA) program funds charter school activities in various different jurisdictions. Is the technical support that you receive under your grant – especially around educational policy, regulation, and legal code – sufficiently customized to your needs? Rate how customized your technical support is by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not customized (1) | Slightly customized  (2) | Somewhat customized  (3) | Customized (4) | Very customized  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Technical support received |  |  |  |  |  |  |

2. For what type of technical assistance is it more important to have such customization?

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|  | Not important (1) | Slightly important  (2) | Somewhat important  (3) | Important (4) | Very important  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Content knowledge related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Monitoring support related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Evaluation support related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best practices for operation/design of your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Knowledge of federal law, regulations and statues related to your project |  |  |  |  |  |  |

3. Every quarter, the CSP publishes a newsletter for grantees for non-SEA program. Is this newsletter useful in your project work? Rate how useful the newsletter is by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not useful (1) | Slightly useful  (2) | Somewhat useful  (3) | Useful (4) | Very useful  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Usefulness of newsletter |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. What information from the newsletter have you used? How did it benefit your project? What additional topics or information would you like to see reported in the newsletter?

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5. As part of the CSP’s monitoring process, did you receive a remote or on-site visit this year?

* Yes
* No

6. What was the most burdensome aspect of the site visit process? Rate how burdensome each aspect of the site visit process is by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Minimal burden (1) | Minor burden (2) | Some burden  (3) | Moderate burden  (4) | Excessive burden  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Hosting the site visit |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Updating fiscal reporting |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Describing record keeping procedures |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Demonstrate impact |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. How valuable was the site visit process? Rate the value of the site visit process is by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not valuable (1) | Slightly valuable (2) | Somewhat valuable  (3) | Valuable  (4) | Extremely valuable  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Value of the site visit |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. The CSP (non-SEA) program requires quarterly reports from its grantees. Ideally, these reports should provide content that can be easily integrated into the annual performance report. Rate how burdensome the preparation of these quarterly reports is by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Minimal burden (1) | Minor burden (2) | Some burden  (3) | Moderate burden  (4) | Excessive burden  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Preparation of quarterly report |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. In what ways have the quarterly reports helped to improve the management of your project? Would a less burdensome approach such as quarterly telephone calls be preferable?

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9. CSP funded the [National Charter School Resource Center](http://www.charterschoolcenter.org/) to provide resources, information, and technical assistance to support successful planning, implementation and operation of high-quality charter schools. Has the National Charter School Resource Center been useful for your program? Rate how useful the website is by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not useful (1) | Slightly useful  (2) | Somewhat useful  (3) | Useful  (4) | Very useful  (5) | I have not used the NCSRC site (NA) |
| Usefulness of NCSRC website |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. What is most useful, or not useful, about the [National Charter School Resource Center](http://www.charterschoolcenter.org/)? How have you used it to improve your program?

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11. Through its technical assistance contract with AEM, CSP has supported two webinars related to organizational processes and professional development. Were these webinars useful? Rate how useful these webinars were by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not useful (1) | Slightly useful  (2) | Somewhat useful  (3) | Useful  (4) | Very useful  (5) | I have not seen these webinars (NA) |
| Usefulness of CSP webinars |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. Would you like additional webinars on similar topics?

* Yes
* No

1. What was most useful, or not useful, about the webinars CSP provided you? What other topics would you like to see covered in these webinars?

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**CSP SEA Program-Specific Questions**

**CHARTER SCHOOLS PROGRAM - STATE EDUCATION AGENCY (SEA)**

1. The OII recently formalized how CSP SEA grantees develop corrective action plans within its ongoing monitoring process. Rate how effective each change has been in helping you meet program requirements by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Ineffective  (1) | Slightly effective  (2) | Somewhat effective  (3) | Effective  (4) | Very effective  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Discussion of action plan with OII program officer |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Development of action plan |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. Have the updates to the monitoring process, particularly the development of corrective action plans, been useful in helping you understand the CSP SEA program requirements? Indicate how useful these changes have been by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not useful  (1) | Slightly useful  (2) | Somewhat useful  (3) | Useful  (4) | Very useful  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Usefulness in understanding CSP SEA program requirements |  |  |  |  |  |  |

3. In updating the CSP (SEA) monitoring process, OII is asking for additional information in the annual reports. For example, requirements for pipeline updates, details on cost category changes during the project period, and sub-grantee expenditure data have all changed. Indicate how much these changes have burdened your organization by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Minimal burden (1) | Minor burden (2) | Some burden  (3) | Moderate burden  (4) | Excessive burden  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Burden caused by changes to reporting requirements |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. What is the (estimated) amount of time added to reporting due to the extra information requests? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Are you satisfied with the support that OII provided you to accommodate these changes in reporting? Indicate how satisfied you are by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied (4) | Very Satisfied  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Satisfaction with support around changes to reporting |  |  |  |  |  |  |

5. The OII operates the SEA Exchange website to support a community of practice related to development of charter school programs. Is the SEA Exchange website useful for your program? Rate how useful the exchange is by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not useful (1) | Slightly useful  (2) | Somewhat useful  (3) | Useful  (4) | Very useful  (5) | I have not used the SEA Exchange (NA) |
| Usefulness of SEA Exchange |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. How have you used the SEA Exchange? How did it benefit your program? How would you improve the SEA Exchange?

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7. Following each annual performance report review, OII determines continuation funding for each grantee in the CSP SEA program. At a post-APR conference call, OII program officers communicate the continuation decision and any concerns about the grantees program activities. Is this communication process useful? Indicate the usefulness of this communication process by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not useful (1) | Slightly useful  (2) | Somewhat useful  (3) | Useful  (4) | Very useful  (5) | I have not used the SEA Exchange (NA) |
| Usefulness of conference call report out |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. In what ways could OII improve the feedback process and guidance it provides to its CSP SEA grantees?

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**School Leadership Program Program-Specific Questions**

**School Leadership Program (SLP)**

1. How useful have you found the technical assistance you have been provided by the ED program staff? Indicate the usefulness by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not useful (1) | Slightly useful  (2) | Somewhat useful  (3) | Useful (4) | Very useful  (5) | Not applicable (NA) |
| Some examples of technical assistance include conference calls, webinars, monitoring calls, etc. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. To what extent do you need additional technical assistance in meeting each of the following challenges? Rate the help needed by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | No help (1) | Slight amount of help  (2) | Some help  (3) | Help (4) | A great deal of help  (5) | Not applicable (NA) |
| Collecting data from schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dealing with personnel changes in the schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dealing with personnel changes in grant staffing |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dealing with district changes |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supporting participants |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. To what extent do you receive adequate feedback on each type of report? Rate the adequacy of the feedback by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Nor adequate (1) | Slightly adequate  (2) | Somewhat (3) | Adequate (4) | Fully adequate (5) | Not applicable (NA) |
| Annual performance report |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supplemental performance report |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Final performance report |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. As a new 2013 SLP grantee, to what extent did the pre-application webinar provide you all of the information you needed to write your grant application and plan your project? Rate how complete the information provided to you was by checking the number in the corresponding line below?

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|  | Not complete (1) | Slightly complete (2) | Somewhat complete (3) | Mostly complete (4) | Entirely complete (5) | Not applicable (NA) |
| Information provided by pre-application webinar |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. What recommendations do you have to improve your ability to write your grant application?

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1. What recommendations do you have for additional types of technical assistance that you may need?

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**Supporting Effective Educator Development Program-Specific Questions**

**SUPPORTING EFFECTIVE EDUCATOR DEVELOPMENT (SEED)**

1. To what extent did the pre-application webinar provide you all of the information you needed about evidence-based research to write your grant application and plan your project? Rate how complete the information provided to you was by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not complete  (1) | Slightly complete  (2) | Somewhat complete  (3) | Mostly complete  (4) | Entirely complete  (5) | Not applicable  (NA) |
| Information provided by pre-application webinar |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. How useful would the following types of information about evidence-based research have been in writing your grant application? Rate each type of information by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Not useful  (1) | Slightly useful  (2) | Somewhat useful  (3) | Useful (4) | Very Useful  (5) | Not Applicable  (NA) |
| Examples of evidence-based studies in education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Winning SEED application |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Descriptions of best practices in evidence-based research |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Specific descriptions of what is required for evidence-based research |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. Did you use the following types of information in writing your grant application? Check the column that applies for each line.

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|  | No | Yes |
| Examples of evidence-based studies in education |  |  |
| Winning SEED application |  |  |
| Descriptions of best practices in evidence-based research |  |  |
| Specific descriptions of what is required for evidence-based research |  |  |

1. What recommendations do you have to improve your ability to write your grant application?

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**Investing in Innovation Program-Specific Questions**

**INVESTING IN INNOVATION (I3)**

1. Please rate the quality of the technical assistance you receive under the contract with Westat. Rate the quality of the technical assistance by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied (4) | Very Satisfied (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| 1. Quality of the technical assistance services received |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Quality of the technical assistance liaison |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Usefulness of the I3 community discussion and resources |  |  |  |  |  |  |

2. In what ways have these services from Westat helped you to improve your project?

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3. Please rate the quality of the evaluation technical assistance that your program evaluator receives from Abt Associates. Rate the quality of the technical assistance by checking the number in the corresponding line below.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied (4) | Very Satisfied (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| 1. Quality of the technical assistance services received |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Quality of the technical assistance liaison |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. In what ways have these services from Abt Associates improved the quality and implementation of your evaluation design?

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1. With the exception of the 2010 Development and Validation grantees, the I3 program has required grantees to sign a cooperative agreement. Please rate the extent to which these required revisions have been useful?

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|  | Not useful (1) | Slightly useful (2) | Somewhat useful (3) | Useful (4) | Very Useful (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Revision of your management plan |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Revision of your evaluation plan |  |  |  |  |  |  |

7. In what ways has the cooperative agreement helped to improve the management of your project?

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8. Since FY 2012, I3 has required Development applicants to submit a preapplication. If you submitted a preapplication, in what ways did the preapplication improve the quality of your experience as an applicant?

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9. What type of I3 grant does your organization currently receive?

* Development
* Validation
* Scale-up

10. In which year did you receive your I3 award?

* 2010
* 2011
* 2012
* 2013

**Promise Neighborhoods Program-Specific Questions**

**Promise Neighborhoods’ Supplemental Questions**

1. The U.S. Department of Education’s Promise Neighborhoods program contracts with the Center for the Study of Social Policy (CSSP) to provide training and technical assistance (TA) to Promise Neighborhoods planning and implementation grantees. Contracted TA services include one-on-one consultation, facilitation, in-person meetings and conferences, written products, and web-based products …

Please evaluate how satisfied you are with the TA provided by CSSP. CSSP provides technical assistance in the areas below.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied (4) | Very Satisfied (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Design and implementation of a continuum of solutions |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Partnership and governance structure |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Use of data for accountability and program improvement |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leveraging of resources and sustainability of solutions |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Family, student and resident engagement |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Organizational capacity and leadership development |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supporting a community of practice among PN grantees |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. How often do you receive technical assistance from the **Center for the Study of Social Policy**?  Indicate your response by checking the number in the line below.

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|  | Once a Year or Less  (1) | A Few Times a Year  (2) | Monthly  (3) | Weekly (4) | Daily  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| How often do you receive technical assistance |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. What types of TA have you received from CSSP? Please check all that apply.
   1. Coaching \_\_\_\_\_
   2. Site visits\_\_\_\_\_
   3. Meeting/partner facilitation\_\_\_\_\_
   4. Sharing of best practices\_\_\_\_\_
   5. Connecting with other PN grantees\_\_\_\_\_
   6. Referrals to experts in the field\_\_\_\_\_\_
   7. Document review\_\_\_\_\_
   8. Other (please add)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Are you satisfied with the **frequency of communication** with the **Center for the Study of Social Policy**?  Indicate your satisfaction by checking the number in the line below.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied (4) | Very Satisfied (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Frequency of communication |  |  |  |  |  |  |

5. Is the technical assistance you receive from the **Center for the Study of Social Policy** customer-focused and responsive to your needs?

a.      Yes

b.      No

1. Overall are you satisfied with the services that the **Center for the Study of Social Policy** provides in support of your grant?  Rate your satisfaction by checking a box in the line below.

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| Overall satisfaction with the services that the Center for the Study of Social Policy provides in support of your grant |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. What could be done to improve TA provided by CSSP?

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1. The U.S. Department of Education contracts with the Urban Institute to provide implementation grantees with training and technical assistance on data collection and the design and implementation of the required longitudinal data system. Rate how satisfied you are with the Urban Institute’s technical assistance and training.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied (4) | Very Satisfied (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Establishment of baselines and targets for required GPRA measures |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Development and implementation of a a longitudinal data system |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Knowledge of federal regulations related to data collection and information sharing |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Data Guidance Document |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Data collection, analysis, and reporting |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Identification of data sources |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sharing best practices from field and other PN grantees |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. What types of TA have you received from Urban Institute in the last year? Please check all that apply:
2. Site visit\_\_\_\_\_
3. Document review\_\_\_\_\_
4. Webinars\_\_\_\_\_
5. Etc.\_\_\_\_\_
6. How often do you receive technical assistance from the Urban Institute?  Indicate your response by checking the number in the line below.

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|  | Once a Year or Less  (1) | A Few Times a Year  (2) | Monthly  (3) | Weekly (4) | Daily  (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| How often do you receive technical assistance |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. Are you satisfied with the **frequency of communication** with the **Urban Institute**?  Indicate your satisfaction by checking the number in the line below.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied (4) | Very Satisfied (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Frequency of communication |  |  |  |  |  |  |

12. Is the technical assistance you receive from the **Urban Institute** customer-focused and responsive to your needs?

a.    Yes

b.    No

1. Overall are you satisfied with the services that the **Urban Institute** provides in support of your grant?  Rate your satisfaction by checking a box in the line below.

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|  | Very Dissatisfied (1) | Dissatisfied (2) | Neither Dissatisfied nor Satisfied (3) | Satisfied  (4) | Very Satisfied (5) | Not Applicable (NA) |
| Overall satisfaction with the services that the Urban Institute provides in support of your grant |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. What suggestions do you have for improvement of TA provided by Urban Institute

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