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Appendix F6 Sponsor Webinar

Summer Meals Participant Characteristics Study Sponsor Webcast <date>



Study Overview—Optimal Solutions Group

Optimal Solutions Group (Optimal)

- Policy research firm located in College Park, MD
- Specialize in policy research focused on health, education, workforce development, social policy, and housing and economic development
- Contracted by USDA/FNS to conduct evaluation of the Summer Meals Programs' participant characteristics

Study Overview—Research Goals

Research Goals

- Ascertain how the summer meals programs operate at the state, sponsor, and site levels.
- Describe participant characteristics and examine the differences and factors that affect participation by sponsors and children across states.

Sponsor Survey

- Understand the challenges of finding sites, monitoring sites, facilitating outreach efforts, and support from state agencies.
- Information will help FNS better serve sponsors agencies in administering summer meals programs.

Study Overview—Methodology

Surveys

- State-level
- Sponsor-level
- Site -level

Interviews

- Parents/caregivers of summer meals participants
- Parents/caregivers of summer meals-eligible non-participants

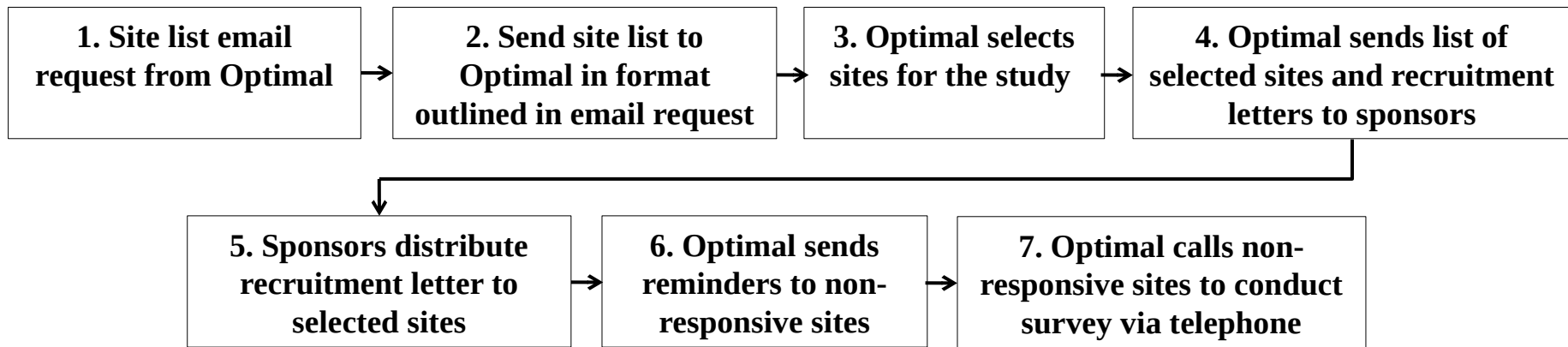
Sponsor Participation—Site List

2015 Site List

- Formal request via email
- Items needed include:
 - Site Name
 - Site Address (with ZIP)
 - Site Dates of Operation
 - Site ADA
 - Meals served by Site (breakfast, lunch, snacks)
 - Site Type (open, enrolled, closed)
 - Meal counts by Site
 - Identify new or returning site
- Time sensitive **<date needed by>**
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Sponsor Participation—Site Recruitment

Sponsor involvement in site recruitment is crucial



Sponsor Participation—Web Survey

Web Survey

- Email invitation with link to survey
- User-friendly interface
- Responses will—
 - be kept confidential
 - be combined with other states
 - not be reported individually
- Can save progress and complete later
- Telephone follow-ups

Sponsor Participation—Web Survey

**Summer Food Service Program Participant Characteristics Study
Sponsor Survey**

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

1. What type of sponsor organization are you? (Check one)

- Public school
- Private school
- School food authority (SFA)
- State government agency
- County government agency
- Local or municipal government agency
- Residential camp
- National Youth Sports Program (NYSP)
- Other private, non-profit organization
- Tribal organization
- DONT KNOW
- REFUSED
- Other (please specify)

2. For how many summers, including this summer, have you sponsored the Summer Meals Programs?

of summers sponsored

DONT KNOW

REFUSED

QUESTIONS

