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Attachment 11

Student Survey Invitation E-mail

Dear <NAME>:

On behalf of the Director of the NIH Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA) Program, we invite you to participate in an online survey to evaluate the AREA Program. According to our records, you conducted research with Professor [insert professor's name] at [insert institution name]. We expect the survey to take approximately 20 minutes or less.

One week ago, Michelle Timmerman Ph.D., Director, NIH AREA Program, contacted you to explain that NIH is working with Westat, an independent research organization, to evaluate the AREA program. As a student who worked on an AREA-funded research project, your feedback is critical to understanding the program and assessing its effectiveness.

Participation in the survey is voluntary, but your involvement will help improve the program and ensure the success of future efforts. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Please follow the following link to begin the survey:

[Hyper-link to survey goes here]

We ask that you complete the survey within two weeks. If you have questions about the study or the survey, please contact me or Michelle Timmerman. Dr. Timmerman may be reached at 301-402-0672 or R151@mail.nih.gov.

Best regards,

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