**Appendix Y**

**Paycheck Plus Baseline Information Form**

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**The purpose of this form is to collect some background information about you to help with the Paycheck Plus study. All information you provide will be kept confidential.**

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| 1. Name:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ First MI Last | | | | | | | | | 2a. Social Security Number:  \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ - \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ | |
| 3. Date of Birth:  \_\_\_ \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ \_\_\_ /\_\_\_ \_\_\_  MM DD YY | | 4. Gender: **(Choose only one)**   * 1. Male * 2. Female * 3. Other * 9. Decline to answer | | | | | 5. What is your Ethnicity? (Mark one or more)   * 1. Hispanic or Latino * 2. Not Hispanic or Latino * 9. Decline to answer | | | |
| 6. What is your race? (mark one or more)   * 1. American Indian or Alaska Native * 2. Asian * 3. Black or African American | | | * 4. Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander * 5. White * 9. Decline to answer | | | | | | | |
| 7. What is your marital status? (Choose ONLY ONE)   * Single * Single, but living with boyfriend or girlfriend * Separated * Divorced * Widow/Widower * Married * Legal Domestic Partners | | | | | 8. Have you ever worked for pay or profit?   * 1. Yes * 2. No **(Skip to Question 13.)** * 9. Decline to answer | | | | | |
| 9. Are you currently working for pay or profit?   * 1. Yes * 2. No * 9. Decline to answer | | | | | 10. Are you self-employed, that is, do you operate your own business?   * 1. Yes **(Skip to Question 11.)** * 2. No * 9. Decline to answer | | | | | 11. When did you last work?  \_\_\_ \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  MM / YYYY   * 9999. Decline to answer |
| 12. About how many hours per week do you usually work? (Round to the nearest whole number.)  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hours   * 9. Decline to answer | | | | 13. If you are currently working, how much do you earn **before taxes**? If you are currently working more than one job, do **not** provide an hourly wage. | | | | | | |
| $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ per | | * 1. Hour (If only working one job) * 2. Day \_\_\_\_\_ number of days per week * 3. Week * 4. Two weeks * 5. Twice a month * 6. Month * 7. Year * 9. Decline to answer | | | | |
| 14. If you are not currently working, have you looked for work in the past 4 weeks?   * 1. Yes * 2. No * 9. Decline to answer | 15. How much would your pay before taxes have to be for you to consider taking a job that was offered to you **(choose only one)**? | | | | | | | | | |
| $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ per | | | | | * 1. Hour * 2. Week * 3. Month * 9999. Decline to answer | | | | |
| 16. How many children do you have that are under age 19?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_   * 99. Decline to answer | 17. Do any of these children under age 19 live with you?   * 1. Yes * 2. No * 9. Decline to answer | | | | | | | 18. Do you have a formal child support order for any of your children?   * 1. Yes * 2. No * 9. Decline to answer | | |

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| 19. What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received?   * 1. 8th grade or lower * 2. 9th grade * 3. 10th grade * 4. 11th grade * 5. 12th grade, no degree * 6. GED * 7. High school diploma * 8. Some college, but no degree * 9. Technical/AA/2-year college * 10. 4-year college * 11. Master’s * 12. Professional * 13. Ph.D. * 99. Decline to answer | | | 20. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?   * 1. Yes * 2. No **(Skip to Question 21.)** * 9. Decline to answer **(Skip to Question 21.)** | | |
| 21. Date of most recent felony conviction:  \_\_\_ \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  MM / YYYY   * 9999. Decline to answer | | |
| 22. Have you ever been incarcerated?   * 1. Yes * 2. No **(Skip to Question 25.)** * 9. Decline to answer **(Skip to Question 25.)** | | |
| 23. Where were you incarcerated?   * 1. Jail * 2. Prison **(Skip to Question 24.)** * 3. Both * 9. Decline to answer | 24. Date of most recent release from jail:  \_\_\_ \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  MM / YYYY   * 9999. Decline to answer | | | 25. Date of most recent release from prison:  \_\_\_ \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  MM / YYYY   * 9999. Decline to answer | |
| 26. Do you have a physical problem that limits the kind or amount of work that you can do?   * 1. Yes * 2. No * 9. Decline to answer | | 27. Do have an emotional or mental health problem that limits the kind or amount of work that you can do?   * 1. Yes * 2. No * 9. Decline to answer | | | |
| 28. In general, how would you rate your overall health now? Is it:   * 1. Excellent * 2. Very good * 3. Good * 4. Fair * 5. Poor * 9. Decline to answer | | 29. Taken all together, how would you say things are these days-would you say that you are…   * 1. Very happy * 2. Pretty happy * 3. Not too happy * 9. Decline to answer | | | |
| 30. Did you or someone else file a tax return for you this year (for tax year 2012)?   * 1. Yes * 2. No **(Skip to Question 31.)** * 9. Decline to answer | | 31. When you filed your 2012 federal tax return, did you use a free tax preparer or paid tax preparer to prepare your taxes?   * 1. Free preparer * 2. Paid preparer * 3. Prepared own taxes * 4. Other * 9. Decline to answer | | | |
| 32. Workers earning below a certain amount can sometimes get benefits from the government in a tax refund or added to their paycheck. The program is called the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). Have you heard of this program?   * 1. Yes * 2. No **(Skip to end.)** * 9. Decline to answer | | | | | 33. Have you ever received the EITC?   * 1. Yes * 2. No * 9. Decline to answer |