

### **Attachment 9.3: Phase IV Buccal North Carolina**

#### AHS MAIN COHORT STUDY FOLLOW-UP REMINDER CALL FOR BUCCAL CELL COLLECTION

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Hello Ms/Mr.\_\_\_\_\_. This is \_\_\_\_\_. I'm calling about the Agricultural Health Study.

Several weeks ago you consented to the mailing of a buccal cell collection kit. The reason I'm calling is to make sure that you received this kit.

...they **did not receive** the kit, but **YES** they would like to participate.

I'm sorry about that. We will mail another collection kit to you, but first I would like to verify that we have your correct address. Is it\_\_\_\_\_? Okay, the collection kit should arrive in the next few days. Please carefully read the instructions that are included. If possible, we would like to ask if you could complete this activity as soon as you can. It is very important to mail the cell sample within 24 hours of collection. Also, please sign and return the consent form with your cell sample. Did you have any other questions or concerns? (address these).

**Thank you for your participation.**

...they **did not receive** the kit, and **NO** they do not want to participate.

Okay, I can understand. **Thank you for the help you have already given to the study.**

...they **received** the kit, but **NO** they do not want to participate.

Okay, I can understand. **Thank you for the help you have already given to the study.**

...they **received** the kit, and are **RECEPTIVE** to participating.

Good. Did you have any questions or concerns?

(address these)

Now there are a few things I'd like to remind you to do before we close. Please carefully read the instructions that came with the collection kit. If possible, we would like to ask if you could complete this activity as soon as you can. It is very important to mail the cell sample within 24 hours of collection. Also, please sign and return the consent form with your cell sample.

**Thank you for your participation**

...they **already returned** the buccal cell sample.

Good. Did you include the signed consent form when you did this? **Thank you for helping us out.**