Survey Invitation to Comprehensive Center Staff (E-mail)

To: [Recipient email address]

CC: Center director

Subject: National Evaluation of Comprehensive Centers Survey

Dear [Name],

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To take the survey now, please click on this link: <u>Center Staff Survey 2017</u>

The survey should take no more than 20 minutes to complete.

If you have any questions, please contact Michaela Gulemetova at 202-774-1999 extension 1956 or <u>NCCEvaluation@impagint.com</u>.

Thank you for your cooperation!

[Name]

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Survey Invitation Follow-up #1 to Non-responding Comprehensive Center Staff (Email)

To: [Recipient email address]

CC: Center director

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Survey Invitation Follow-up #2 to Non-responding Comprehensive Center Staff (Email)

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CC: Center director

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The survey should take no more than 20 minutes to complete. Your responses are very important to this evaluation effort and we request that you complete the survey by [date].

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Survey Invitation to Technical Assistance Recipients (E-mail)

To: [Recipient email address]

Subject: National Evaluation of Comprehensive Centers Survey

Dear [Name],

As part of the external evaluation of the national Comprehensive Centers program, IMPAQ International is surveying people like you about your experience with the program. Your participation is voluntary. Your responses will help assess outcomes and inform improvement of the Comprehensive Centers program.

To take the survey now, please click on this link: <u>TA Recipient Survey 2017</u>

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Survey Invitation Follow-up #1 to Non-responding Technical Assistance Recipients (Email)

To: [Non-respondent Recipient email address]

Subject: National Evaluation of Comprehensive Centers Survey

Dear [Name],

You recently received an email about a study of the National Comprehensive Centers program, commissioned by the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) at the U.S. Department of Education. As part of this study, we are surveying recipients of technical assistance like you about your experience with the [Center]. Your participation is voluntary. Your responses will help assess outcomes and inform improvement of the Comprehensive Centers program.

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Email to Comprehensive Center Directors Regarding Evaluation Interviews

To: Center Director

CC: Key Center Staff [such as those helping to schedule site visit] Subject: National Evaluation of Comprehensive Centers Interviews

Dear XXX,

As part of the national evaluation of the Comprehensive Centers program, IMPAQ International is conducting another round of site visits to interview key Center staff, leadership, and technical assistance (TA) providers. In this year's site visit, we would like to follow up on projects we discussed last year, as well as ask some general questions about the two key priority areas for the evaluation, teacher/leader effectiveness and early learning. Your participation is voluntary. We appreciate your assistance with scheduling and planning these interviews.

We would like to conduct a group interview of approximately 90 minutes with staff who work in the teacher/leader effectiveness priority area, and separately with staff who work in the early learning priority area [IF THE CENTER WORKS IN THIS AREA], with a ten-minute break between groups. The interview with the teacher/leader effectiveness staff will focus specifically on the [NAME OF PROJECT]. [IF RELEVANT TO THE CENTER:] The interview with the early learning staff will focus specifically on the [NAME OF PROJECT]. The interview will be audio recorded with the respondents' permission. The information provided will be used for evaluation purposes only, and will only be reported in aggregate. No individual names or organizations will be reported.

We are conducting these interviews in order to gather information from the Comprehensive Centers about the successes and challenges of building constituent capacity and providing TA. Interview responses will inform improvement of the Comprehensive Centers program.

We are planning our site visit for [POSSIBLE DATE RANGE]. Please provide us with several possible dates that fit your schedule and those of key respondents. Respondents for each group interview should include TA specialists and TA managers or Center leaders who are familiar with the projects and priority area to be discussed.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your cooperation!

[Site Liaison's Name] **IMPAQ** International

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Email to Technical Assistance Recipients Regarding Evaluation Interviews

To: TA Recipient

CC: Center Director, Key Center Staff [such as those helping to schedule interviews] Subject: National Evaluation of Comprehensive Centers Interviews

Dear XXX,

As part of the external evaluation of the national Comprehensive Centers program, IMPAQ International is conducting telephone interviews with the constituents of the Comprehensive Centers. Your participation in the interview is voluntary. As someone who works closely with the [name of Center] Center, your input is critical to our study. In our interview this year, we would particularly like to discuss your experience working on [NAME OF PROJECT] with the [NAME OF CENTER].

Each telephone interview will take approximately 60 minutes, and will be audio recorded with your permission. The information provided will be used for evaluation purposes only, and will only be reported in aggregate. No individual names or organizations will be reported.

We are conducting these interviews in order to gather information from multiple Comprehensive Centers and their constituents about the successes and challenges of technical assistance and capacity building. Interview responses will inform improvement of the Comprehensive Centers program.

Could you please provide me with some dates and times when you are available for a phone interview within the next two to three weeks?

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your cooperation!

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