STEPP Needs Assessment Survey

Welcome

Thank you very much for taking an interest in the STEPP program. This short survey is designed to obtain information regarding the experience level, location, and needs of those interested in attending training through STEPP in order to better assist you in the future. Your voluntary response will be confidential and data will be analyzed in aggregated format only.

The survey should take no more than 5 minutes to complete. For general questions regarding the purpose of the survey, contact Edward Landrum (edward.landrum@uspto.gov). If you encounter any problems with the survey instrument, contact Michael Easdale (michael.easdale@uspto.gov).

Thank you in advance for your participation in this important survey.

Please click the Next button to begin.

Demographics

1. How many years of patent related experience do you have?

◯ 0 - 1 Year

◯ 1 - 3 Years

◯ 3+ Years

2. Are you registered to practice law in patent matters before the USPTO?

◯ Yes

◯ No

3. Are you an inventor who has filed, or are planning to file, a patent application?

◯ Yes

◯ No

4. On what topics related to examination practice and procedure are you most interested in attending training? Please rank your top 3 of the 10 possible selections.

	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice
35 USC 101 – Subject Matter Eligibility	◯	◯	◯
Double Patenting and Restriction	◯	◯	◯
35 USC 102 – Anticipation and Subject Matter Eligibility	◯	◯	◯
35 USC 103 - Obviousness	◯	◯	◯
Claim Interpretation	◯	◯	◯
35 USC 112(a)	◯	◯	◯
35 USC 112(b)	◯	◯	◯
35 USC 112(f)	◯	◯	◯
Overview Training on the Examination Process	◯	◯	◯
Detailed Training on the Examination Process	◯	◯	◯
Other (If another suggestion is in your top 3, rank appropriately and describe below).	◯	◯	◯

Other (please specify)

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5. Will your employer sponsor you to attend training held by the USPTO?

◯ Yes

◯ No

* 6. Would you attend in-person training through the STEPP program?

◯ Yes

◯ No

◯ Unsure

Training Location

7. Which office would you be most willing to visit to attend training? (Select only one)

○ Alexandria, VA

○ Dallas, TX

○ Denver, CO

○ Detroit, MI

○ San Jose, CA

8. Is there an additional office, other than your answer in Question 7, that you would be willing to visit to attend training? (Select only one)

○ Alexandria, VA

○ Dallas, TX

○ Denver, CO

○ Detroit, MI

○ San Jose, CA

○ No

Conclusion

9. How did you learn about the STEPP Program? (Select all that apply)

☐ USPTO Website

☐ Email

☐ Facebook

☐ Twitter

☐ Word of Mouth

☐ Other (please specify)

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10. Do you have any additional comments regarding the STEPP Program?

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Thank you for completing the survey. Clicking the "Done" button below will submit your responses.