

ATTACHMENT H
Course Sponsor Survey

Why the survey?

The NIOSH Spirometry Training Program is evaluating our service to certified courses, the effectiveness of the program changes implemented since 2005, and the usefulness of potential Program enhancements to our stakeholders. While this survey is not mandatory, your participation is critical to ensure that the NIOSH Pulmonary Function Testing Course Approval Program meets the needs of the courses, provides curriculum changes that enhance the educational objectives for spirometry training, and informs NIOSH as to what future content might be provided to better assist you in implementing your duties. The results of the survey are confidential and NIOSH staff will not have access to any one individual's responses. All data are rolled up into reports that have at least 10 responses to protect the confidentiality of all respondents to the survey.

Respondent Information

1. What role do you serve in the NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Training Program?

<input type="radio"/>	Course Director
<input type="radio"/>	Sponsor Representative
<input type="radio"/>	Both Course Director and Sponsor Representative

2. How long have you been involved with the NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Training Program?

<input type="radio"/>	Less than 5 years
<input type="radio"/>	5 to 10 years
<input type="radio"/>	11 to 20 years
<input type="radio"/>	More than 20 years

Program Administration – These questions will ask about the Training Program’s administrative functions. Please choose whether you agree or disagree, and to what degree, with each statement below. Responses range from “Strongly Disagree” to “Strongly Agree” and “Don’t Know.”

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know
NIOSH encourages input from course directors and sponsors that impacts programmatic decisions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NIOSH provides timely notification of programmatic changes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Electronic notification of programmatic changes is the most effective means to communicate	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NIOSH responds in a timely manner to requests for information	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NIOSH responds in a timely manner to requests for new faculty	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NIOSH responds in a timely manner to requests for web postings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NIOSH should permanently keep the 5-year + 7-month grace period for certificate validation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The password protected site on the NIOSH web is easy to use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NIOSH documents and other relevant materials on the password protected site are easily accessible	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
General results of the annual report should be shared with the courses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Results of the course audits should be shared with the public	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NIOSH should host course director and sponsor meetings (every 3 to 5 years) to discuss common issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Future course director and sponsor meetings should be web-based	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Sponsor Renewal Process – These questions will ask about the sponsor renewal process. Please choose whether you agree or disagree, and to what degree, with each statement below. Responses range from “Strongly Disagree” to “Strongly Agree” and “Don’t Know.”

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know
The 6-month notification for sponsorship renewal is sufficient	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Electronic submission of materials reduces the burden on sponsors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NIOSH responds in a timely manner to sponsor submission of materials	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The sponsor renewal process is a useful tool to enhance curriculum content	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The sponsor renewal process should include evaluation of both initial and refresher curriculums at the same time (excludes on-line training)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Course Audit Process – These questions will ask about the course audit process. Please choose whether you agree or disagree, and to what degree, with each statement below. Responses range from “Strongly Disagree” to “Strongly Agree” and “Don’t Know.”

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know
The course audit process assists course directors to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of their courses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Immediate verbal feedback from the NIOSH auditor is valuable	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The written evaluation is valuable	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NIOSH recommendations have improved the educational experience for the participants	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
NIOSH recommendations have increased the knowledge and skills of the participants	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The course audit process should remain at 5-year intervals	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Refresher Training Courses – These questions will ask about the refresher training courses. Please choose whether you agree or disagree, and to what degree, with each statement below. Responses range from “Strongly Disagree” to “Strongly Agree” and “Don’t Know.”

Maneuver Acceptability Errors and Corrective Actions - handout	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Spirometry Calculation Worksheet	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Serial Spirometry Calculation Worksheet	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. When NIOSH develops additional resources to enhance the educational objectives of the courses, what resources would you like to have? Choose the 3 most important resources.

Bank of video clips	<input type="radio"/>	Equipment recommendations	<input type="radio"/>
Bank of teaching slides (PowerPoint)	<input type="radio"/>	NHANES III LLN look-up tables	<input type="radio"/>
Bank of graphics (i.e., curves, testing technique, equipment, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	NIOSH Refresher Training Guide	<input type="radio"/>
Equipment calibration reference sheet	<input type="radio"/>	SOP manual for spirometry testing	<input type="radio"/>

NIOSH Services - These questions will ask about the importance of services offered by the Program to the course faculty and sponsors. Please rank the following services, from most to least important to you, when interacting with our Program. (1 = most important; 5 = least important)

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Approve faculty	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide training resources	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Responsiveness to concerns from course directors and sponsors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide feedback via curriculum reviews and course audits	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Market sponsors via the NIOSH internet sponsor listing and calendar	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Overall Program Satisfaction - These questions will ask your opinion about changes made to the Training Program since 2005.

- Overall, changes to the NIOSH Spirometry Training Program have increased the effectiveness of the educational objectives.

<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No

- Are there issues, not addressed in this survey, about which you would like to comment?

<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No

- If yes, please write your comments in this section. Your comments are limited to 250 characters and spaces.