

## **Attachment B – Invitation Email**

### **Subject line:**

Shigellosis Prevention and Control Needs Assessment

### **Email text:**

Dear [NAME],

My name is Amanda Garcia-Williams and I am a behavioral scientist with the *Shigella* prevention and control program in the Division of Foodborne, Waterborne, and Environmental Diseases at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

We are reaching out to state and local partners as part of a shigellosis prevention and control needs assessment. As part of this needs assessment we are speaking with health department staff (e.g., epidemiologists/communicable disease investigators medical officers) about their experiences with shigellosis prevention and control efforts.

The goal of this needs assessment is to help us to understand how we could improve our support of local shigellosis prevention and control efforts. We plan to use the results of these discussions to help us prioritize and shape our future prevention and control work so that they are more useful to state and local stakeholders.

I am reaching out to you to see if you would be interested in participating in this needs assessment. The telephone-based interview should take no longer than 60 minutes and participation is completely voluntary. We have also attached a flyer with additional information about the project. Please feel free to share it with others who you think may be interested.

If this is something you would be interested in participating in, or would like to learn more about, please let me know. I am happy to answer any questions that you may have.

Kind Regards,

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