

Semi-Structured Interviews About Voluntary Withdrawals

Interviews will cover the following topics:

- Who was your Mentor/Protégé and how did you find each other?
- How did you meet your mentor/protégé? How did you know if you were a good match for the partnership?
- What are the key aspects of a good mentor-protégé match? What could be done to improve it?
- What would be successful approaches to identify that the program is right for the business needs before applying?
- Who initiated the withdrawal of enrollment?
- What are the reasons for withdrawal of enrollment?
 - What kind of difficulties or issues did you experience during the application process?
 - What kind of difficulties or issues did you experience with your mentor/protégé during the application process?
- What types of assistance did the mentor/protégé provide during the application process? How helpful were they? Was there any assistance that you needed but did not receive?
- What types of assistance did the SBA provide during the application process? How helpful were they? Was there any assistance that you needed but did not receive?
- How could the SBA improve the application process to facilitate enrollment for mentor-protégé teams?
- Any other comments about your application experience or suggestions for improvement?