

Supporting Statement for OMB Clearance Request

Appendix H: 72-Month Survey Participant Newsletter

National Implementation Evaluation of the Health Profession Opportunity Grants (HPOG) to Serve TANF Recipients and Other Low-Income Individuals and HPOG Impact Study

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Health Professions Opportunity Grant (HPOG)

Newsletter for Study Participants

Hello again from the Health Professions Opportunity Grant (HPOG) team!

In 2010, 32 local organizations were awarded grants to run an HPOG program. The Administration for Children and Families' (ACF), part of the US Department of Health and Human Services awarded the HPOG grants. ACF hired Abt Associates to conduct a study of this first round of HPOG programs. The HPOG study will determine which specific program components best help low-income adults complete training that leads to family-sustaining careers in health care. Now, following years of data collection the HPOG study is well underway.

You are part of a very special group of people. You became a participant in the HPOG study in [RA MO/YR], when you applied to participate in «Program» in «Site». As one of over 10,000 HPOG study participants in 22 sites across the country, your opinions and experiences are important to the study team.

Follow-up survey data collection efforts are underway! *The staff at ACF and the study team thank you for your participation and cooperation in our study.*

- Researchers finished the 15-month survey data collection in 2016. Over 8,100 study participants completed the 15-month survey. In 2017, the HPOG evaluation team will draft and publish the report.
- The 36-month survey data collection is happening now. Data collection began in March 2015.

Looking Ahead! In September 2016 ACF funded another wave of data collection to study. This study is part of the Career Pathways Long-term Outcomes project (CPLO).

- CPLO project will help ACF learn more about how employment and training programs help participants 72-months after participants enrolled in the study. Data collection is scheduled to begin in late 2017.

We need your help! We would love to be able to interview you again because we are interested in the experiences of everyone who applied to the HPOG program, even if you were not selected to participate in the program. **Unfortunately, we can't interview you if we can't contact you.**

To help us contact you for the next interview please review the enclosed form to check your address and telephone number. Please make the appropriate corrections in one of the following ways: If your information is correct, please mark the box next to "No Changes"

- ❖ Return the completed form to us by mail, using the enclosed postage-paid envelope.
- ❖ Call us toll-free at 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX and make sure to use your personal PIN [FAMILYID].
- ❖ Visit [WEBLINK] and enter your username: [USERNAME] and PIN [FAMILYID].

Once we receive your updated contact information, we will mail you a token of appreciation valued at \$5. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. *Si le gustaría recibir esta información en Español, favor de llamar a Abt Associates al 1-xxx-xxx-xxxx.*

Sincerely yours,

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Curious to learn more about what we have learned so far? Visit the Career Pathways Website:

<http://www.career-pathways.org/acf-sponsored-studies/HPOG/>

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