**FY 2020 Survey of State Government Research and Development**

The National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics within the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the U.S. Census Bureau are conducting the **FY 2020 Survey of State Government Research and Development** to determine the extent of R&D expenditures by departments and agencies during FY 2020.

Your State Coordinator has identified your agency **[Name of agency]** as potentially having conducted and/or funded R&D activities in FY 2020. **Please note, if your agency does not perform or fund any R&D and you received a survey request, we still need to know that you do not have any R&D; please call or email us to let us know.**

Your State Coordinator is:

**          State Coordinator’s Name**

**          Job Title**

**          Email address**

Please download the attached fillable PDF form, complete and email back to erd.sgrd@census.govas soon as possible. **The survey is due February 15, 2021**. If you are unable to download attachments, please visit our website at<https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/sgrd/information.html> where you can download the form. If you prefer a Microsoft Excel version of the form or to give your information over the phone to a Census analyst, please call **1-888-340-7525** between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Your response will be compiled by the Census Bureau and forwarded to the NSF, the federal agency charged with collecting and reporting national R&D statistics. These statistics are used to measure states’ contributions to our nation’s science and technology base, a building block of a strong U.S. economy, in the calculation of state and national Gross Domestic Product (GDP), and used by state and federal policy makers. Survey results can be found on NSF web page: <http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/srvystaterd/>.

Thank you,

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**OMB Number**

This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight-digit OMB approval number is 0607-0933. Without this approval, we could not conduct this survey.

**Authority and Confidentiality**

Title 13 United States Code, Section 8(b), Title 42 United States Code, Sections 1861-76 (National Science Foundation Act of 1950 as amended), and Section 505 within the America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010 authorize the Census Bureau to conduct this collection on behalf of the National Science Foundation and to request your voluntary assistance. These data are subject to provisions of Title 13, United States Code, Section 9(a) exempting data that are customarily provided in public records from rules of confidentiality.

**Burden Estimate Statement**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3 hours per response. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: ECON Survey Comments 0607-0933, U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Room EMD-6K064, Washington, DC 20233. You may e- mail comments to ECON.Survey.Comments@census.gov. Be sure to use ECON Survey Comments 0607-0933 as the subject.