2021 DSCA Communications and Training Survey

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The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Division of Scientific Categorization and Analysis (DSCA) invites you to complete this survey for feedback on Research, Condition, and Disease Categorization (RCDC) and Manual Categorization System (MCS) communications and training.

3. What is your preferred source for RCDC-related information? Select all that apply.
Weekly Update
SharePoint site
RCDC emails
RCDC system
Other (please describe)
4. Which RCDC-related resource is the least helpful? Select all that apply.
Weekly Update
SharePoint site
RCDC emails
RCDC system
None of the above
Other (please describe)

5. The frequency of RCDC and MCS-related emails is: Select all that apply.
Too few
Delayed
Right amount
Punctual
Too frequent
Excessive reminders
Other (please describe)
6. The length and detail of RCDC or MCS-related email correspondence is:
O Very succinct
○ Succinct
○ Average
Overwhelming
O Very overwhelming

7. Does the Weekly Update provide you with sufficient details on upcoming tasks?
○ Yes
○ Sometimes
○ No
Other (please describe)
8. What content would you like to see in the Weekly Update?
9. As an RCDC or MCS Point of Contact, the content of the RCDC SharePoint site is:
○ Comprehensive
○ Average
Lacking information
○ Too technical
O Not applicable
Other (please describe)

10. Other staff at my IC perceive the content of the RCDC SharePoint site to be:
O Comprehensive
○ Average
Lacking information
○ Too technical
○ Not applicable
Other (please describe)
11. The organization and accessibility of the information on the RCDC SharePoint site is:
○ Excellent
Above average
○ Average
O Poor

○ More frequent meetings	
○ Shorter meetings	
○ More discussion	
O Not applicable	
Other (please describe)	
13. As an RCDC or MCS POC, what resources and information are you lacking to inform	your IC staff?

12. How can DSCA improve RCDC POC meetings?

14. Do you want to receive calendar invites for major deadlines? Select all that apply.
Project validation by IC experts deadline
Contract Data Entry via Contract and IAA Management System (CIMS)
User Assisted Categorization deadline
Manual Categorization System coding deadlines
Last day for IMPACII project text changes for RCDC categorization
Not applicable
Other (please describe)
15. What MCS category communications are or would be helpful? Select all that apply.
Current coding status by category and IC
☐ Break outs of ICs that +/-5% for category totals compared to last fiscal year
Upcoming enhancements and deadlines
Current fiscal year rBET estimates
□ N/A
Other (please describe)

16. My IC has participated in the following RCDC events in the last 2 years: Select all that apply.
RCDC roadshows
RCDC training
CIMS training
MCS training
1:1 individual training
Open Houses
None of the above
47. If we are twice as a second of substantial depth in the force of Order to Habert and I.
17. If more training is needed, what should be the focus? Select all that apply.
Validation in the Project Review System
Coding in Manual Categorization System
Contracts data entry
Reporting and analysis
RCDC Thesaurus
Additional Open Houses for questions
Other (please describe)
18. Do you have any additional feedback on RCDC, CIMS or MCS-related communications and training?