Dear «FirstName» «LastName»:

##### We are following up with you because we have not received your completed CDC National Survey of Maternity Practices in Infant Nutrition and Care (mPINC). If you have already completed your survey, please disregard this e-mail and thank you very much for taking the time to complete the survey. In order to have an accurate understanding of infant feeding practices at maternity care hospitals in all states and territories, we want to emphasize the importance of having every hospital that provides maternity care complete the survey.

We are asking you to use the log in information below to complete the survey using a secure web server. Your participation is completely voluntary; it takes approximately 30 minutes to complete.

In case you have misplaced your survey or information about the survey, we are requesting your participation in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) National Survey of Maternity Practices in Infant Nutrition and Care (mPINC). This survey is being conducted by the CDC to assess infant feeding practices at maternity care hospitals in the United States and territories. All hospitals in the United States and territories that we identify as providing maternity care are being asked to participate in the survey. We are using the American Hospital Association’s Annual Survey to identify these facilities. Once data collection and analysis are complete, we will send you an individualized Hospital Report containing a summary of your survey results and a comparison of your results to the nation, the region, and to other hospitals of similar size, showing specific changes your hospital can make to support breastfeeding mothers. Hospitals can use this information to improve care practices and policies to better support their maternity patients. In addition, anonymous results from all hospitals will be summarized nationally and for each state.

Hospital of Interest

If your hospital has more than one location that provides maternity care, please complete the questionnaire only for the location identified below.

Hospital Name: <facility name>

Address: <address>

<city, state, zip>

**If maternity care is no longer provided at your facility, please e-mail** [CDCMPINCSURVEY@battelle.org](mailto:CDCMPINCSURVEY@battelle.org) **or call 1-866-826-4176.**

Your responses will be treated in a secure manner and will not be disclosed unless required by law. Your name, facility name, and any other personal identifiers will not appear in any oral or written presentations of survey results. Access to documents and electronic files is restricted to the staff working on the survey. Providing your name, position, and official hospital email address is voluntary; your contact information will be used to send an electronic version of your hospital’s results and inform you of mPINC survey related opportunities. Your contact information will be in no way connected to survey responses or scores.

**Web Survey Security**

If you wish to complete the web survey, use your internet browser to go to the home page at [insert website here]. Only authorized users may complete the survey and your unique username and password are provided below. Every precaution has been made to reduce the risk that unauthorized users could view your answers. The web survey is conducted from a "secure" https (SSL) server using the same type of internet security as is used for handling credit card transactions.

Use this unique username and password below to access the survey.

Your username is: <username>

Your password is: <password>

Click here to go to the mPINC Survey

If you have any questions regarding this survey please call Quintella Bester, Task Leader, Battelle, toll-free at 1-866-826-4176.

Please submit your survey responses as soon as possible in order for your hospital’s information to be included in the mPINC analysis and to receive a Hospital Report.

Thank you in advance for your time and participation in this important survey.

Sincerely,

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