

# **ATTACHMENT 6B: PARENT PERMISSION FOR YOUTH 5<sup>TH</sup> FOLLOW-UP SURVEY (ExPECTT II)**

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## **Parent Permission for Youth Survey for the Evaluation of the Public Education Campaign on Teen Tobacco Cohort II (ExPECTT II)**

The Evaluation of the Public Education Campaign on Teen Tobacco (ExPECTT) is a research study designed to collect data from approximately 4,000 youth about their experiences with tobacco products, media use, and other behaviors that are both legal and illegal. RTI International (RTI), a nonprofit research organization, was selected by the FDA to conduct this study.

We must have your permission as the parent or legal guardian before your child participates in the online survey. Once we have your permission, your child may choose whether or not to participate in the study. Since the survey is based on a random sample, your child will represent thousands of other youth in the United States.

### **Purpose of the Youth Survey**

This study will provide FDA, policy makers, and researchers important information about youth exposure to public education messages on the health risks of smoking or using other tobacco products. The information collected by this study will also improve our understanding of how public education campaigns affect youth's attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors toward tobacco use.

### **Types of Questions for Youth**

The online survey will last about 35-45 minutes. Your child will be asked about his or her beliefs, attitudes and behaviors. We will ask about your child's media use. We will ask about your child's use of substances that may be illegal for children to buy or use in your state, such as tobacco and marijuana. The youth survey should be completed in a part of the household that allows them to answer in private. If you would like to see a copy of the survey that your child will be taking, call our project assistance line at (800) 608-2955 and we will provide one. However, you will not be able to see your child's response to the survey questions.

### **Voluntary Participation**

Your child's participation in this study is completely voluntary. He or she can refuse to answer any and all questions. Your child has the right to stop the survey at any time. Because your child's contribution is important, we will offer your child a [ON OR BEFORE [ADD DATE]FILL: \$30 incentive if they complete the survey through the website on or before [ADD DATE], or a \$25 incentive after [ADD DATE]; ELSE (ON OR AFTER [ADD DATE]) FILL: a \$25 incentive] as a token of appreciation for participating. This incentive will be provided via mail as a Visa gift card.

### **Risks**

There are no physical risks to your child from participating in this online survey. It is possible that some questions might make your child mildly uncomfortable, depending on his or her responses.

### **Benefits**

There are no direct benefits to your child from answering our questions. However, he or she will be contributing to important research related to tobacco use among youth. The

information youth provide will help researchers and policy makers understand the impact and effectiveness of public education activities aimed at reducing tobacco-related death and disease.

### **Privacy**

Your child will enter his or her answers to the questions directly into their computer or other device (e.g., smartphone, tablet). Your child's name will be kept private. Your child's answers will be labeled with a number instead of his or her name. This makes it so only research staff at RTI will know these are his or her answers. Your child's answers may be shared with the FDA but not his or her personal information. We will not share any information your child gives us with you or anyone outside the FDA and RTI research teams. All of your child's answers will be kept private. It is not completely safe to send data through the Internet but we are doing everything we can to protect your child's data. For example, we will code the data and send it over a secure connection for added protection.

Your name and that of your child will not be reported with any information you or your child provides. Information you and your child provide will be combined with answers of many others and reported in a summary form. All staff involved in this research are committed to privacy and have signed a privacy pledge. Information collected will be kept private to the fullest extent allowable by law.

To help us protect your child's information, we have obtained a Certificate of Confidentiality. This means that the researchers cannot provide information that may identify your child in a court of law or other legal proceeding. However, researchers may share your child's information with the FDA or individuals who are responsible for evaluating this study. You should understand that the Certificate does NOT stop reporting that some federal, state or local laws require such as reporting of child abuse, communicable diseases, and threats to harm yourself or others. The Certificate also does NOT prevent your child's information from being used for other research if allowed by federal regulations. However, no information will be shared or used for other research that could identify your child, such as name or date of birth. Finally, you should understand that the Certificate does not prevent your child or a member of your family from willingly releasing information about yourself or your involvement in this research.

### **Questions**

If you have any questions about the study, you may call our project assistance line at (800) 608-2955 or email us at [expectt2@rti.org](mailto:expectt2@rti.org). If you have any questions about your rights as a study participant, you may call RTI's Office of Human Research Protections at 1-866-214-2043 (a toll-free number).

- 1 Yes, I agree to allow my child to participate in this study.
- 2 No, I do not want my child to participate in this study.

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**CONTACT\_INFO** [IF PARENT PERMISSION = 1 (YES)]

Thank you for allowing your child, [FILL: child's first name], to take part in this important study. If your child completes this survey, we will mail your child a Visa gift card to the

address provided for [BEFORE AND ON [ADD DATE] FILL: \$30] if the survey is completed on or before [ADD DATE], or \$25 if it is completed after [ADD DATE]. The gift card will be mailed within 2 weeks of completing the survey.

We will need to collect some information from you so that we can send this gift card. This information will be kept completely confidential in secure and protected data files and will be separated from the responses provided in the survey. If you would like to decline receiving this payment, you can leave the information blank and simply press "Next" to continue to the next screen.

Please provide the name and the address where we should mail the gift card.  
[PROGRAMMER: CREATE NEW VARIABLE NAMES, AND ALLOW MISSING RESPONSES IN THESE FIELDS]

**First Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:**

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

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It is important that your child be allowed to answer the questions in privacy. From this point on, your child should be able to read and answer all questions on his or her own. Press "Next" when your child is ready to begin.

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